

March 8, 2007 Band Booster Meeting Minutes

With about 36 people in attendance, Tommie Farley called the meeting to order and went over the ground rules.

1. Minutes from the February meeting were read and passed without corrections.
2. Budget/Financial Report – Tommie Farley presented the current year financial report in Vanessa Stewart’s absence. Note that there is still \$2189 in outstanding band fees. This report passed without corrections.
3. Committee Reports:
 - A. Hospitality – Still working on the band banquet.
 - B. Chaperones/Volunteers – Had two eighth grade parents present volunteer for middle school contest, Lisa Crosby and Teresa Morgan.
 - C. Contest/Competition – Vanessa Stewart and Deborah Luna are still working on the brochure for sponsors.
 - D. Guard – This Saturday, March 10th, competition at Concord High School.
 - E. Pit Crew – Still looking for a tractor/gator at low cost or as a donation to the band.
 - F. Transportation – High school band taking Charter buses to Lincoln for contest. Wanda is still working on getting buses for the Middle school band.
 - G. Uniforms – Mr. Faires ordered and has received more of the uniform pants. Uniform fittings will be during rookie camp this summer.
 - H. Ways and Means – Approximately \$4000 profit from the cookie dough sale. Looking into selling the **discount cards** in late summer/early fall. High School kick-off during band camp, middle school kick-off when school starts in August. Sell for about 1 month; also sell at home football games. **Competition** is also considered a fundraiser for the band and it is in October. **Fruit sale** will be in November and then no more fund raisers for the year.
 - I. Web Site – Let Deborah Luna know what to put on the site. The high school still won’t link us to the school site. Ms. Cleary stated that Deborah should try to contact the new Webmaster and tell him she gave the okay to link us.
4. New Business:
 - A. Nominating Committee: Need a committee of three people to find members to run for board positions at the April meeting. Debbie Green, Rob Orr and Krista Smith agreed to serve on this committee.

- B. Next Year's Calendar: Mr. Faires gave students the marching calendar back in November. The calendar was discussed in great detail for the benefit of the eighth grade parents who were in attendance. Mr. Faires asked that doctor's appointments be scheduled during the school day or on Monday and Wednesday afternoons so that students will not miss rehearsals during marching season. The band will travel to in-County away games only unless we go to the play-offs. After the final competition, there will most likely not be any Tuesday and Thursday rehearsals. There is no competition scheduled for the Saturday of the S.A.T.
- C. Band size for next marching season: Mr. Faires shared the definite numbers of the band for fall of 2007. There are 67 students, not including the color guard. Of those, 58 are horn line, 9 are percussion. That will still make us the largest band in the county. (Piedmont has 65.) Will need 8 kids in the pit for this year's marching show, some horns may audition for percussion for marching season, only.
- D. Budget for 2007-2008: Tommie Farley and Mr. Faires presented the proposed budget for next year. There was much discussion and then explanation of band fees for 2007. The marching band fees are \$200, not including marching shoes, gloves or flip folders. The color guard fees are \$250. The proposed budget shows us ending the year with a deficit. The proposed budget was voted on and passed.
- E. Director's Comments: The 2007 marching show is titled "From Darkness to Light". Much different from the past two years' shows. Classical music is included.
- Middle school goes to contest at Central Academy on March 20th; performance is at 1:20 pm. High school goes to contest at North Lincoln High School on March 27th; performance is at 2:45pm. High school is using grade 4 music and doing well. Mr. Faires and Ms. Tomberlin are looking for superior grades for both bands.
- F. Liaison's Comments: Liaison left before meeting was over.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.