

**Instrumental Music Boosters**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

March 15, 2006

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Opening and Welcome - 7:00 P.M. .....John Sayre

Minutes.....Jill RachBeisel

A brief, informal summary of the highlights of the February meeting was given. A motion was made, a second and a unanimous vote to accept received.

**REPORTS:**

1. Band Director Report.....Chris Campbell

- A. The Patron Program is off to a great start. Many donations have been received and will be recorded. Donors will be acknowledged in the Concert program in May.
- B. The Preview concert on March 14<sup>th</sup> was a success. Mr. Campbell received great comments to assist in the competition on Saturday. Parents and friends are welcomed at the adjudications on Friday and Saturday afternoons and it is ok to clap!
- C. Wednesday evening rehearsals have been cancelled due to the ample time during the school day to rehearse. This is due mainly because groups meet daily as compared to last year when they met every other day.
- D. Mr. Campbell extends his thanks to all who supported the Howard Play "Over Here". The Jazz band had great performances and the shows were well received.

2. Orchestra Director Report.....Ben Denne

- A. The computer lab is progressing. The computer security cables have been installed. The lab will be ready sooner than expected. Completion is anticipated for the end of next week.
- B. Mr. Denne announced a volunteer to assume Web Site management: Sherry German. Thank you Sherry!
- C. The Orchestra performed very well at the Howard County Festival on March 8<sup>th</sup>. All 'ones' were received.
- D. There will be a tech class that will be using the computer lab next year.

3. Treasurer Report.....John for ...Ed Pettus

A. Account balances:

- 1. Checking account.....\$39,646
  - a. Uniform sub-account.....\$19,353
  - b. Student accounts.....\$12,350
  - c. Operating Cash.....\$ 7,941

B. A motion was received and seconded. The report was accepted

4. Fundraising Report.....(John For)...Brenda Brewington

The next Car Wash fund raiser is set for Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup> at the Elkridge Exxon station.

5. ColorGuard Report.....Kathy Burton

Nothing to report.

6. Orchestra Report.....(Jill for)..Dan Beisel

Nothing to report

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Student participation

- a. Students will begin developing an orientation program following the upcoming concerts.
- b. The IMB asked for suggestions for the survival kits and other activities on the trip from the student representatives

2. Incorporation information

- a. John has received information from other county band booster presidents. They have graciously agreed to make available articles of incorporation and by-laws.
- b. There is a web site that gives all the steps, which are many, to follow. The process is long and will not be completed until next year some time.
- c. A reminder to the group that this is being pursued to provide protection to the parent group and also to enable access to other foundation money. When this does occur, the booster group as it exists today will be completely disbanded and a new group will be formed.

3. Trip Planning- The following activities are underway:
  - c. Spirit wear forms will be made available to the student group.
  - d. An optional ensemble shirt will also be available, and
  - e. There are adequate chaperones, but there is still space for a few more if any parents are interested.
4. Donation Grant to school has not been made yet. Ed Pettis and John Sayre will be meeting with school administration to work out the details.

## NEW BUSINESS

- A. Post Prom Party- John Sayre posed the question to the group: Do we want to make a donation to the post prom party?
  - i. A motion was made to donate \$100.
  - ii. Discussion supported the motion and it was passed.
- B. Survival Kit Organizer:
  1. Doretta Boazzo volunteered to organize this feature of the trip.
  2. Student suggestions will be solicited from the groups
  3. Volunteers are needed to come in and help assemble the kits
  4. The source of the bags was questioned. John agreed to call Valerie and ask where she got the bags.
- C. Car wash on May 6<sup>th</sup>- hose and rag bags will be needed. All those who are in possession, please come with items in hand!
- D. Officer Recruitment
  1. Needs for next year: Color Guard and Web Site manager officers are graduating. There are nominated replacements; **however any and all interested parents are encouraged to COME FORTH!!!!**
- E. Next Concerts-
  - a. May 9<sup>th</sup> - Jazz Band and choirs
  - b. May 11<sup>th</sup>- "the sit downs" (Symphonic and Concert Band, Orchestra)
- F. Next meeting
  - a. It was agreed to skip the April meeting and combined the next meeting with the Pre-Trip Parent meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup>
    - i. 6:20pm- Instrumental Music Booster Meeting- we will hold election of officers for next year.

- ii. 6:30- Chaperone meeting in the Band Room
- iii. 7:30- Parent meeting of all attending students in the auditorium.

Meeting was adjourned at 8pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

    *Jill A RachBeisel*    

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