

Band Booster Meeting

September 8, 15

Call to order 7:04 p.m.

Attendance: Karyn Terpstra, Kathy Crank, Mark Brabant, Diane Mattson, Kevin Hying, Beth Hying, Paul Weber, Dan Wilhelm, Lori Wilhelm, Julie Wunning, Missy Wilson, Vicki Schwander, Donna Daly, Karen Fenelon, Leigh Bowen, Lisa Mack, Terry Fox, Amy Graham, David Graham, Steve Reginald, Deb Reginald, Tara Morr, Kelly Welch, Martee Lew, mark Cosner, Deb Stoecker, Chris Featherstone, Matt Chapman

Approval of minutes from last meeting. No corrections. Kathy Crank moves we accept minutes as written Second Paul Weber. Motion passed unanimously

Matt Chapman overview:

Color guard attended a spinning clinic in Chicago for a day. Learned to spin “weapons” (rifles and sabers) with some drum core instructors. This was in preparation for indoor color guard. Rebecca is thanked for making all the arrangements and taking the girls up there.

Thanks for all the help from parents during the labor day weekend performances. It was needed and appreciated. Not sure if we will do both parades next year because we keep running into conflicts with family vacations and sports events. But not doing them would cut 800\$ from our budget. Mr. C will be thinking about that and trying to decide what is best for next year.

The itineraries are available for the first 3 performances. Please take them with you tonite but they will be online on the web page.

Salmon colored one first: Washington Show will start with a quick rehearsal. Make sure students eat lunch prior to coming to school. They can bring money for the concession stand but there will not be much time. Correction on next performance – should say the 19th. Web page has specific places to park – map in on our webpage. Five Points gets very congested so don't recommend there. Pit equipment has to go at a specifically assigned time. Because Washington uses a combo of school and band size we will be competing against bands that are usually in a bigger class than we are.

Yellow sheet is for Morton. Students that have games etc. Please take uniform and instrument with them to these events and join us asap. Even if we are going on the field and they haven't changed into band uniform – join us anyway. We are NOT rehearsing that morning because of all the conflicts. Enjoy the new turf stadium.

Green Sheet – IWU. Parking is difficult here too. Look carefully at the map. You can park anywhere on campus except faculty lots. We WILL rehearse that day. We are class 3A – think there are 5 classes.

So far no info on Limestone.

Pink Form: On Monday we will have a rehearsal before ISU. Wed also same rehearsal time. Friday football game: Senior parents meet us on the track as we perform. You will hand your student a flower as they come off the field and are announced. Sorry you cannot join them on the field like the football parents do. For ISU on Saturday, Sorry about the very early arrival time!

At ISU we need to keep the instruments warm until the very last minute.

Lorelai Lawson has offered to have breakfast food here for the students. We will have students wear bibbers on the bus to expedite the morning at arrival at ISU. Sport students are asked to stay for the photo following our performance and then leave but if they need to leave before the photo we understand.

If we do not make finals we are done and home by noon – ish. If we do make finals we have to perform again that night. We may come home and go back but are trying to find a place that has beds for the kids to get some rest closer to ISU. This minimizes risk of students failing to return on time for the finals performance.

Look these over and let Mr. C know if you find any errors. We will post updates to the web page.

Any student that misses a performance from now on will receive a make up assignment to complete.

Equipment needs:

We are in need of a clip on mic for Mackenzies Flute. The one we have now we have to tape to her arm. There is risk it wont stay in place.

Also would like to mic our front ensemble but with that we need speakers, and a snake and a mixer board. Paul Weber said we may not need all of that. We may be able to use what we have if we get some sticks to raise what we have. We think our current mixer drivers could work.

We understand finances are tight but we need to get something going if we are to have it for this year.

Kids are working really well on the show. You will see some changes on Friday night. Then you will start to see props. Will see third movement by Morton.

We got an email from Manhattan school of music. There is a guy doing clinics in the area in November. Cost to get him would be 1200\$ but he said that could be negotiated if need be. Would be for any level and all instruments. Willing to give tips on how to play jazz, how to get into music schools etc. price seems a bit high to Mr. Chapman.

ILMEA sign ups this week. Oct 3 will be the performance date. That is homecoming. We have requested morning times but choir asked for afternoon. If you don't pick your child up they must stay all day until the choir times are done and the one bus returns.

Treasurer Report: Steve Reginald.

August : \$ 93,692 deposit \$28,115, \$38371 checks ending balance \$83,428.6

General fund \$78,211 Budget has been divided by type of band/group performance. More details making it easier to track.

For the electronics purchase: we have gotten some quotes. Looking at a cost of 4-8,000\$ to buy everything Mat would like to have. Just the flute mic is around 300\$. Currently our budget has no available funds for these purchases.

We have finally gotten all the band camp postings made. You should see this on your next ledger statement. Let us know if you see any problems. Email Steve at the email listed on your ledger. Sreginald@gmail.com.

Karen Fenelon asked how we are doing with Kroger since it changed to the plus card program. Better or Worse than previous method ? Kathy said we don't receive funds the same way so it is difficult to compare but seems to be about the same income level as before.

White Form: We have tried to simplify the band enrollment/sign up form. We have created an itemized form based on the different type of needs your student has depending on instrument and year in the band.

There is a payment plan at the bottom but if you choose to make payments on the plan, please include a copy of this form with each payment. Kids drop just checks or just cash in the box with no indication of what it is for an sometimes no student name on the envelop.... We will have envelopes near the box but need student name, parent name and purpose for the funds on the outside of the envelope please .

Back side of the form is specific to second semester band.

It will be on the website. We will set it up as a google form you can fill out online.

This form will be put in the handbook for next year. Mark Cosner suggested we also include the code of conduct form so once kids have registered to participate in the band program they can fill in that form also.

Question that if your student does both marching band and concert band your annual cleaning fee is 60\$? Answer yes but the 50\$ for marching band includes more than just cleaning. It includes alteration fees, repairs, and new gloves etc.

Uniform fees (Mrs. Wilhelm) How does the uniform fee work for guard members. Is there a separate shoe fee for them? Do they own the shoes? No, guard shoes change each year and they have a different pair for show and parade. Therefore guard shoes are "rented" as a part of the uniform each year -not owned.

Steve said the installments on the forms are just a guideline. If you want to make smaller installments over a longer time frame that is fine - you just need to explain what you are doing so it gets properly posted in the ledger.

Motion to approve treasurer report as submitted: Kelly Welch, Kathy Crank second. No discussion. Motion passes.

Kathy Crank: Ghost Chase 5K run, 1 Mile walk. Plus motorcycle ride photo run. Robbie Stouffer is chairing the motorcycle ride.

Pac man maze for kids, costume contest for kids to make it a fun event.

Motorcycle ride starts at conclusion of the race. Riders return in the evening and there will be a dinner and a band. Bananas has agreed to partner with us on the food and beverages.

The most important thing we need help from parents and students (besides participating if interested) is to monitor the cross streets for safety during the Run/Walk. We also need help at the 1 mile water table. Leo Vandervlugt has agreed to be our celebrity ghost runner. We will challenge participants to beat the celebrity runner. Leo will be our first celebrity. He finished 10 out of 600 runners at the Kewanee stampede run!

Manpower is needed – shift one for the run, shift 2 for the biker portion. We are trying to get outside volunteers from the bikers club.

Cross country team has wanted a run in district like this for years but unfortunately this year it is during their sectional meet. Hopefully in the future timing will allow for all those HS runners to participate and /or help volunteer.

We are hopeful this will eventually eliminate the need to do the Christmas raffle.

Flower Bulb: Leigh Bowen

Orders due homecoming week. Please don't forget during that busy time. Flowers are Due in by Thursday Nov 1. We keep 50% profit and it goes into student ledger for expenses.

Fruit: Lisa Mack

Profit is 5\$ per box of fruit, again for student ledger. . Order forms will come out after homecoming. Orders due mid November. Delivery date is Dec. 7. Online orders will be available again this year.

We will need a fruit sale coordinator to take over for Lisa next year. If you are interested in learning more you can talk with her or help out with this years sale to learn what it takes to run this fundraiser.

Rams/Bears game. Deb Stoecker is the chair person.

32 tickets have been sold and they are all game only tickets. Only about 5 bus package tickets.

We are responsible for selling 250 tickets. Band Boosters have to cover student transportation and some portion of the cost for the student tickets.

We needed to sell the 180\$ tickets to get a student price of 20\$. We are concerned now that we have not gotten any bus orders.

Currently we have 4 charter buses – 2 for fans and 2 for students.

We have looked at changing to one fan bus and putting the students on school buses.

We discussed making some price changes:

40\$ x 110 4,400 (students and directors)

55 X 160 8,800 – one fan bus filled

85 tickets at 85\$ 20, 425 and we owe 17,200 before transportation cost: 37800. We are short a couple hundred dollars in this scenario.

New discussion: Raise the price for the non bus tickets to 100\$. The 85\$ is honored as early bird special.

Motion made by Kathy Crank to increase student cost to 40\$, with keeping the charter bus tickets at 180. Increase the non charter bus tickets \$110.

Second Deb Stoecker. Motion passes. Note that parents will be told that if we successfully sell all the non student tickets, we may be able to reduce the student cost.

NOTE: THERE IS NO SPECIAL PRICING FOR BAND FAMILIES.

Pampered Chef possible fund raiser. The rep will attend our next meeting with details.

Optimist Club movie – Sunday September 20 for Maze Runner: Scorch Trial. 4p.m. showing.

Mark Cosner – needs help assembling props beginning next Monday night. Look for an email in the next couple days from Mark. At rehearsal time – Mark will be there about 5 p.m.

Next Booster meeting is OCT 13 at Mossville JH in their band room at 7 p.m. Matt asked someone on the board to prepare a letter of welcome to the JH parents.

Motion to adjourn Mark Cosner, Deb Stoecker seconds. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.