

Bolingbrook High School Music Boosters

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BHS MUSIC BOOSTERS MEETING

Tuesday, March 11, 2014

BHS Choir Room

1. Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Diane Parro, Joelle Pigors, Eileen Vavrina, Liz Guse, Carol Lucero, Denis Schauner, Michael Niedzela, Joe Drajin, Roxi Adams, Randy Adams, Marge Kaminski, Nicki Fagust, Kathy Kayhart, Carolyn Smith, Patty Kennedy, Karina Worlton, Patty Arriola, Aimee Rupsis, Yolanda Jordan, Kim Sterling, Frieda Karafotias, Kristine Wahlgren

Music Boosters welcomed Ms. Yolanda Jordan, BHS Interim Principal to the meeting.

Approval of Agenda - Motion to Approve - Roxy Adams; 2nd Denis Schauner

2. Secretary's Report - Approval of minutes from 2/11/14 Meeting: Motion to Approve - Liz Guse; 2nd Denis Schauner

3. Directors' Report:

Band - Bob Hanerhoff (report provided by Diane Parro)

- Both Jazz bands placed 2nd at Western Illinois University competition
- Bob would like to have Dr. Kelly from Bradley University conduct a clinic for the Jazz I; the fee for Dr. Kelly is \$500; there is currently \$350 left in the Jazz Band Guest Artist Budget and no funds available in directors account therefore Bob is requesting for the Music Boosters to pay for the remaining fee which is \$150; Music Boosters discussed and approved provided that all three Jazz bands are part of the clinic; Motion to Approve \$150 expense - Denis Schauner; 2nd Charles Worlton

Band - Aimee Rupsis

- Marching Registration has been sent; links must be completed in order for kids to be registered; checks need to be made out to BHS and is due on 4/2
- Heritage Fest is coming up; Aimee and Charles to work out details for concession
- Seniors should be completing and submitting their bio with photo; link for bio was included with weekly email update
- Aimee to provide list of Seniors to Liz for senior slide show; Aimee to ask Larry to do the same for Choir

Choir - Larry Fisher - no updates to report at this time

4. Vice President of Operation - Liz Guse

a. Advertising/Publicity/Public Relations

- Plant Sale email sent to Larry Randa and has been posted on VVSD website
- Larry took pictures of the spring musical rehearsal and has been posted on VVSD website; ad for musical has also been posted to VVSD website

b. Awards

- Applications are down from last year; 150 students last year compared to 100 this year
- Aimee to send reminder regarding awards with next weekly update with strict deadline; Kathy to send email to Larry for Choir students

c. Band Chaperones

- Diane working on getting Kohl's associates for musical
- Ushers needed at the musical weekend; several members volunteered:
 - o Friday at 7:00 p.m. - Worltons
 - o Sunday - Mike Niedziela and Patty Kennedy
 - o Roxi Adams, Nicki Fagust to check their schedule and will let Diane know if they are available
 - o Saturday (following weekend) - Mike Niedziela

- d. Band Camp Lunches - no updates to report at this time
 - e. RMB Equipment/Property Support - (3) podiums need to be repaired; will be done when weather is nicer
 - f. Choir Support - no updates to report at this time
 - g. Madrigal Dinner - no updates to report at this time
 - h. Photo Historian
 - Pages are updated through Patio Night fundraiser
 - Photos will be uploaded to Shutterfly
 - i. Senior Slideshow
 - More pictures needed; pictures are due by end of March
 - Liz to draft email to Aimee regarding pictures; Aimee to include with weekly update
 - j. Uniforms (WS/SR; RMB; WG)
 - WS/SR - no updates to report at this time
 - RMB
 - o Ronly has emailed Bob with all past due fees
5. Vice President of Ways & Means - Karina Worlton
- a. Membership
 - Two new memberships sold at last concert
 - b. Spirit Wear - no update to report at this time
 - c. Concert Raffles - no update to report at this time
 - d. Patio Night 2/24 recap
 - \$368 profit from fundraiser
 - e. Plant Sale
 - Sales currently at \$800
 - Eileen received list of booster members from Marla; will send email reminder regarding plant sale to members
 - Incentive program to start this week with the kids; anyone with \$50 sales by this Friday will get a candy bar on Monday
 - Plant sale information has been posted on VVSD website and Facebook page; Eileen to email BHS librarian to have Plant sale information added to school website
 - f. Additional Restaurant Night - Buona Beef
 - Chipotle fundraiser has been moved to Buona Beef on 3/18/14; fundraiser will be all day; profit of 15% of sales under \$1,000 and 25% of sales over \$1,000
 - Boosters voted 14 to 12 to have two additional restaurant nights at Jersey Mike on April 15th and Noodles & Company in May, date TBD; Frieda to confirm if gift cards can be included as fundraising sale.
6. Treasurer's Report
- Checkbook balance is \$9,851.20. See report for full details
 - Motion to approve - Denis Schauner; 2nd Charles Worlton
7. President's Report
- a. Website
 - Website is up and running; no issues to report
 - b. Future of "Awards"
 - Discussion regarding grievance from community member regarding \$5.00 awards fee; Directors and Diane Parro contacted by civil rights activist regarding form violating civil rights of students and demanded for form to be changed; Diane indicated an explanation was provided on Facebook as to why the \$5.00 fee is charged - boosters were paying approximately \$3,000 on letters, numbers and patches but kids were not picking up their awards.
 - Boosters discussed three options regarding fee:

- o 1. Continue on as we do today
- o 2. Cut awards completely from music program
- o 3. Pass on cost of letters, patches and pins at 100% to the kids. For example, a kid that is in their first year of Marching Band & Jazz Band would spend \$34.70 rather than the \$5.00 fee.

Current cost for letters, pins and numbers

- Class Numerals \$5.10/each number
- Little “B” \$6.20
- Big “B” \$15.00
- Madrigal/VJE Patch \$10.50
- Jazz Band Patch \$12.25
- RMB Patch \$12.25
- Drumline Patch \$14.90
- Colorguard Patch \$15.35
- Drum Major Patch \$15.35

- Marching Band fees was also discussed and compared to some of the neighboring schools in the area:

School	Marching Band Fee	Includes Show T-Shirt	Includes Patches/Awards	Comments
BHS	\$80.00	Yes	Yes (with \$5 fee)	
Joliet West <i>(closest in demographics to Bolingbrook)</i>	\$140.00	No	No	Band members purchase a show shirt and summer uniform at an additional cost
Plainfield North <i>(2nd to Bolingbrook)</i>	\$450.00	Yes	No	
Neuqua Valley	\$470.00	Yes	No	

- Other topics discussed include assistance for kids in reduced lunch program; families with financial difficulties is handled by the directors on a case by case basis
- After much deliberation, boosters all agreed it is in the best interest of the kids in the music program to continue as we do today
- Current award form will be revised with the following: ‘Award’ to be removed in heading and replaced with ‘Participation’; disclaimer to be added for families with financial hardship to contact directors

c. Clouds Project Update

- Donations as of today \$73,000; School Board approved at last meeting for Capital Outlay funds to be used for project
- 6/4/14 Clouds unveiling; Wind Symphony, Sunrise Singers and Symphonic Band Seniors to perform together
- Larry writing alma mater for vocals and instrumentals

8. Old Business - no update to report at this time

9. New Business

- a. Next meeting - 2014-2015 officer nominations
Members who has shown interest in executive/chair positions:
 - Nicki Fagust - President
 - Randy Adams - Treasurer
 - Mary Anne Batara - Secretary
 - Karina Worlton - Vice President of Ways and Means
 - Kathy Kayhart - Awards
 - Debby Kupec - Chaperones
 - Patty Arriola - Membership
 - Photo Historian - Roxi Adams
 - Marge Kaminski - Uniforms
 - Karen Ball - Webmaster
 - Joelle Pigors - Tag Day
 - Open Positions: Vice President of Operations, Advertising

- b. Next meeting - 4/15/14 at 7:00 p.m.

10. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m. - Motion to adjourn - Joe Drajin; Denis Schauner

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Anne Batara
BHS Music Boosters Secretary