

Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School Band Boosters Meeting Minutes 9/1/2015

The meeting was called to order in the Theory Room at 7:10 PM on Tuesday 9/1/2015 by President Linda Begley.

Secretary's Report: (Heidi Ewing)

The minutes from the 6/2/2015 meeting were read and approved by a committee and will be posted on the website.

Volunteers to proof read this meeting's minutes: Theresa Fallon and Janice Schenk

Treasurer's Report: (Mary Brumbaugh)

Checking Account:

Balance as of : 7/31/15 \$35,409.86

Deposits: \$0

Disbursements: \$0

Balance as of : 8/31/15 \$35,409.86

Adjusted Balance: \$29,497.66

Endowment Savings:

Balance as of : 8/31/15 \$10,383.38

Uniform Replacement Savings:

Balance as of : 8/31/15 \$76,223.73

PayPal Account:

Balance as of: 8/31/15 \$11,488.47

The 2015 fiscal year ended June 30th and the Audit was scheduled but due to illness had to be rescheduled. Uniform Fitting deposits were all made and have just a few students left to pay. No August balances at the time of the meeting since it just ended and has not yet been reconciled but were added in the minutes on Sep.7. Next year at uniform fitting, we will move the Pay to Participate table and push for credit card payments using the PayPal Here device.

- **Band Fees:** (Paula Hradisky)
All fees were collected.
- **Student Accounts:** (Heidi Ewing)
The new name for Student Accounts is Bee Bucks. The 55 graduates were removed from the spreadsheet and the 85 new freshmen added. The spreadsheet will be maintained with fundraising money earned for the 284 members and coordinate the balances with Great Day that will go toward the Disney trip. Current Balance is \$5801.76

Program Committee Reports: (Amy Zajac)

- **Box Office/Ushers:** (Theresa Fallon)
Nothing at this time.
- **Chaperones:** (Carolyn Karkosiak and Sheri Fenton)
So far so good. Just a few problems at first home game - hair must be in hat, black shirt, socks, dinkles and white gloves. Can squad leaders please check their members? Carolyn sends an email at the beginning of the week to those that have volunteered to chaperone the next football game. She includes Mrs. Astey's travel tips. One chaperone should be outside each bus checking

to make sure each band member has hat/beret, instrument, black shirt, socks, dinkles, white gloves, uniform pants & jacket.

- **Drum Line: (Jackie Ross)**
Jackie met with Rocky and will be helping with Indoor DrumLine when it gets closer to that time.
- **Flagline: (Barb DelRoso & Grace Gaines)**
Jim Castellucci made a new flag wagon to transport the additional flags to the field which worked great. New top samples should be in soon and they can decide if those will be purchased for next year. Idea for volunteers to decorate stadium bathrooms by painting hand prints on walls. Fundraising idea for a mini flag clinic prior to the pancake breakfast with K-5th grade kids that will learn a routine to perform on March 12, 2016.
- **Hospitality/Game Snacks: (Laura Kovach)**
Laura received lots of donated snacks and may not have to buy any additional depending on sizes of visiting bands.
- **Newsletter: (Michelle Shively)**
Michelle was not present but needs newsletter articles by Fri, Sep 4 for the next newsletter that should be ready mid-September.
- **Webmaster: (Janice Schenk)**
Janice asked for ideas for items to include on website and also to report any errors or additions.
- **PSO: (Michele Mihalich)**
Michele will attend the next PSO meeting on Thursday, September 3.
- **Publicity: (Amy Studer)**
Amy is new to this position and hopes to have more to report next month.
- **Sr. Night: (Renee Waite)**
Renee will be organizing the donations for the senior band members and parents before the Oct. 23 game. Seniors wear yellow plumes and underclassmen take a knee at the end of the performance that night to acknowledge the senior members. Senior parents line-up with the Senior band members to enter stadium and walk across field as names are called and pictures are taken.
- **Swarm Board & Decorations: (Jackie Ross)**
Jackie will decorate the Swarm Board in the High School Cafeteria to display "A Minion Reasons to Love Band" from Oct. 2 through Oct.14. After that, she will take the decorations down and hang on each band members' lockers. She will do the Swarm Board again in the spring.
- **Uniforms: (Denise Eder/ Cheryl Dunphy/Lori Losi)**
Julie Luber retired from the uniform committee in June. Lori Reagan is taking over her position and Janice will update the website with her contact information. This is the final year for Denise Eder (11 years of service) and Cheryl Dunphy so Lori Reagan will be taking over this committee for next year. She will have help from Rima Julien, Karen Horvath and possibly Kathy Drinko. Eighth graders had to submit a form to receive a free Tshirt at the Sep. 18 game. They received 53 out of 60 forms back. The uniform committee needs to order an extra 32 concert gowns at

about \$60 each and a few tax pieces before first concert in December. Denise Eder made a motion to spend approximately \$2000 to purchase the concert gowns, Terri Speck seconded the motion and those in attendance were all in favor.

- **Yard Signs: (Lori Samhric & Ann Marie Willams)**
The yard signs came in today and Mr. Wyse will send a text alert for those that ordered to pick-up after the Wednesday practice.
- **Band Alumni: (open)**
We are still looking for a Band Alumni committee chair to maintain an email list, send band updates, coordinate meetings and/or dinners. This can be a former band member or band parent. Theresa Fallon has a couple in mind to touch base with.

Ways and Means Committee Reports: (Kathy Drinko)

- **Athletic Program: (Michelle Cline)**
Michelle turned in \$3500 from advertising money she collected recently. There was a total of about \$12,000 raised from the advertising. We raised prices this year and she asked that everyone think of companies that may be interested in advertising next year. Please send her the contact information so she can mention your name as she contacts businesses June 2016. If the Band or Band Boosters uses a company this year, please let her know. She would hope they would at least do a \$50 business card ad. We have room for another 4 pages. Deadline to purchase an ad is mid-August and the ads run in both the Fall and Winter Athletic programs.
- **Athletic Program Layout: (Michelle Shively)**
Michelle was not present but was acknowledged for a great job putting together the Fall Sports program. There was a suggestion to move the coupons to the corners (Lemonberry, Danny Boys, Subway, On the Spot, Woodard, Fitness Together) so the whole page does not need to be removed to use the coupons.
- **Athletic Program Sales: (Les & Julie Gicei)**
Programs sell for \$5. There were 300 printed and 150 sold at the first home game. Please let Les Gicei know if you would like to volunteer to sell programs at any of the home games from about 6-8pm then you are done and can watch the half-time show. The programs are also sold at other home sporting events with the tickets. Kathy Richards would like to know if anyone can sell at other winter sports.
- **Citrus Fruit Sales: (Kathy Drinko and Lynn Robie)**
This year's sales can be entered online and paid with credit card or still have option to submit paper order forms. A new option to pay to ship to another location will be offered for about \$25. We will have choices of Oranges, Grapefruit or a Mixed box. Pickups this year will be on Saturdays, Nov. 14 and Dec.12. This should allow more volunteers that can help on weekends. Payment will be required at pick-up with cash, check or credit card through PayPal Here. Order forms will be ready at the beginning of October with the price per box and the profit per box sold. If a customer would like to help but does not want the fruit, they can select the option to donate the fruit to the Food Pantry.
- **Disney Raffle: (Dina Packard)**

Dina has only sold a few raffle tickets so far but we have until Oct. 28 to purchase. The current limit is 3 per member (or chaperone). At Sounds of the Stadium you will be able to purchase more if you want. The winner will need to submit their social security number for tax purposes.

- Endowment/Patrons: (Theresa Fallon)
Theresa explained the difference between Patron and Endowment which is a one time payment of \$25 for an individual or \$50 for a family for lifetime membership and a Patron which is now per calendar year with different donation levels and your name placed in programs for that full calendar year (Athletic, Concerts, etc) It is a charitable donation so Lori Losi suggested asking if your company will match the donation. Forms are on website and endowment forms are mailed to seniors before graduation.
- Spirit Wear: (Rose Jonovich and Dina Packard)
Rose has the Spirit Wear all sorted and ready to pass out Wednesday from 5-6 before band practice. Everyone seemed to like the new logo (BBHHS Marching Bees with a photo of the bee and a synthesizer). The order was a lot bigger than last year. There was just one problem with those that ordered personalization names on the back of the hoodies. They will be redone. While he is doing those we could also place another order by Friday if anyone is interested. She may look for more new items next year. We will also discuss another order before the Disney trip which may include beach towels and flip flops. Flagline has a design for a hoodie with flag silhouettes in front of a castle so maybe that design could also be used with band member silhouettes. Some schools have shirts that say "I'm with the Band" for the chaperones.
- Pancake Breakfast/Music in our schools event (Linda Begley)
Linda met with Melissa Rohrer, the Orchestra Booster President and Barb Diver, the Vocal Music Booster President about the next Music in Our Schools Fundraiser. All past committee chairs were contacted and are returning again this year. Last year the proceeds were used to improve the sound system in the High School Auditorium. This year the goal is for technology for the K-12 music departments which would include items like electric instruments, etc. The Pancake breakfast is scheduled for March 12, 2016 with performances set - 5th grade band with HS Wind Ensemble band, MS jazz band, HS jazz band, Music in Motion, MS choir, and all HS orchestras. There will also be a K-5 flag performace from the mini-clinic.
- Easter Seals: (Nancy Randall)
There will not be a Ford Drive One 4UR School event this year. We will try again for next year. This year Nancy will instead head the committee for the Easter Seals truck fundraiser. We are waiting on district approval to park the Semi-trailer in the Middle School parking lot the weekend of March 12 , 2016 during the Music in Our Schools pancake fundraiser. Donations can be any household items but only cloth items will count toward our payment. Cloth items are weighed and we are paid per ton up to a maximum of \$3000. Volunteers will be needed to advertise the event and also the day of the fundraiser to give receipts to those that drop off donations. Nancy will contact those that had volunteered for the Ford fundraiser to see if they can help in March. Lacrosse also does an Easter Seals fundraiser and it is usually in April.

Band Director's Report: (Mr. Wyse/Mrs. Astey)

Mr. Wyse mentioned he also has a life outside of teaching with two sons - first grade and half day Kindergarten. Mrs. Astey has two sons - 2nd grade and Kindergarten and an 8 month old daughter. He read a thank you card received a few months ago from Mrs. Welch when we sent flowers/planter after her Dad passed away. The first of three Disney mailings will be sent in September with the pricing, due dates and itinerary. He received bids from several companies but only Great Day was able to get pricing under \$800. The band will march in the Disney evening parade at about 8:30 pm Wednesday, March 30, 2016. This is the pre-Main Street Electrical Parade. So far behavior and marching have been good this year just need to make sure uniform is complete especially before leaving the school this week for the first away game. Memorization is being checked and they can retake before the next home game if needed. Open House is Thursday, September 3. There will be performances in the auditorium and parents will go to the auditorium during either 5th period if student is in Symphonic Band or 6th period for Concert Winds and Wind Ensemble. Marching Band pictures are in for those that ordered. Members of the flagline and drumline that volunteered will be performing at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure on September 12. September 18 is eighth grade night and Scott Hanna is their director. The projection shows large bands for many years. Fifth grade class enjoyed the Meet the Band and next year will move the time so the meeting ends closer to 8:30pm when the Meet the Band performance starts. Sep. 19 is the North Royalton Band Festival. The absence forms that were turned in at uniform fitting were just for planning. An Absence Request Form must still be completed for each occurrence. You will not hear back from the directors unless there is a problem. After parties are not official Band or Band Booster events. Senior parents host and ask for parents to volunteer to chaperone. The parties end around 11:30pm since there are curfew laws. The location information is not shared until game night so only band students show up at the parties.

President's Report: (Linda Begley)

The drum majors John Reagan and Erin Foster attended the meeting and provided refreshments to thank the boosters for the contribution to drum major camp. Daniel Hradisky had a commitment but sent his thanks as well. Erin Foster and John Reagan shared how helpful and educational the camp was for all the drum majors.

Old Business:

New By-Laws were approved and will be posted on the website. The audit will be done soon.

New Business:

We will be raising funds to replace the large yellow equipment truck that takes the large instruments to away games and band festivals. Thanks to Terri Speck for putting together a senior class photo and banner at the last minute. We had 25% more Subway orders during band camp this year compared to last year and raised \$125.74. Thank you to the uniform committee for all of their hard work! Oct. 30 will be the second annual Trunk-Or-Treat for any parents that would like to decorate their vehicle, dress-up and pass out candy after the Away Hudson Game. Please join us for the next band booster Meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 6.

A motion to adjourn: by Terri Speck

Adjourned: at 8:40 PM

Respectfully submitted by Heidi Ewing, 9/6/2015