

MHS Band Boosters Meeting Minutes
March 2, 2022

Call to order: 8:03pm

Present: Claire Kasamis, President; Tracey Boone, Treasurer; Serena Moon, Secretary; Lynn Owens, Hospitality Chair; Jennifer Jenkins, Equipment Chair; Kristine Asmussen, Marching Band Uniform Chair; Julie Salski, Concert Band Uniform Chair; Edgar Rodriguez, Volunteer Coordinator; Yvonne Buisson, Jazz Invitational Chair; Heather Song, Fundraising Chair, Andy Sturgeon and Jerry Shelato, Band Directors; plus 10 others. Total in attendance: 22.

Past Events:

- Remainder of pep band performances - Mr Sturgeon mentioned how great it was to be able to have pep band again in person and that all the students had a great time
- Luke's Dine Out - we raised a little over \$200 and the owner rounded up and gave us \$225
- Show Choir trips to Fort Atkinson and Davenport - both of these were great trips, and we saw improvement with each show

Board/Chair Reports:

Treasurer (Tracey Boone):

- Bank balances as of 2/27/2022:
 - Boosters: \$20,315.88
 - Escrow: \$37,927.11
- Highlights
 - We raised \$79.24 from Scrips
 - Fannie May was a huge success:
 - \$11,034 cash/checks received
 - Approximately \$4200 was deposited to student escrow accounts
 - 72 students participated (higher participation than Butter Braids)
 - 789 boxes sold, 77 free boxes earned

Hospitality (Lynn Owens)

- There may be a chance for snacks at the May concert, more info to come at the next meeting
- Last year we presented a gift to the seniors to make up for the cancellation of the Awards Night. There was mention of, but no conclusion as to whether we will have a senior gift this year.
- Band Awards Night will be on May 10, at that event we may have the traditional dinner and concert followed by the Awards Presentations and recognition of all graduating seniors.

Concert Band Uniforms (Julie Salski)

- There may be a missing jacket that belongs to one of the Choir students. It may have been lent to a band student right before the holiday concert. Announcements will be made to the honors band students to try to locate the jacket
- Claire suggested that Julie and Jen make plans to transition Concert Band responsibility to Marie at some point

Fundraising (Heather Song)

- Fannie May is on schedule to be delivered mid-end of March
- We will be having a Dine out event at Chipotle on Wednesday March 9th 5-9pm only, the band will earn 33%

Evening of Jazz (Lorraine Kocian for Nikki Earich)

- We have finalized the venue as the DoubleTree in Mundelein. Medline has agreed to sponsor the event at the \$5000 level, so we will give recognition in the program and any signs posted for the event. The dinner will be buffet style (Southwest BBQ), price of tickets will likely be \$20 per person. We started a discussion about asking the DoubleTree to provide a simpler dinner option for the band students who will be performing that evening.
- We still need more people to ask for donations, whether of cash, or basket items.
- At the event, there will be two separate auctions, a silent auction and a live auction. We are still in need of ideas for one more live auction item.
- The poster is being designed by Emily Navarette
- Kristine Asmussen suggested permanently changing the wording for this event to mention the fundraiser/auction so that all band families will know that it's an all band fundraiser and not just a jazz band event for jazz band families
- All funds raised from the Evening of Jazz will go to the Boosters account

Directors Updates:

- HWE students were presented with t-shirts to commemorate the IMEC concert
- This week is band audition week, so there's definitely some anxiety and stress that the students may be feeling. The first two days of auditions went well, but we are expecting most of the auditions to happen on Thursday and Friday.
- This weekend will be the last show choir competition

Upcoming Dates:

- **March 3 - Noise Winter Choral Concert**
- **March 4-6 - Glenwood Show Choir Competition**
- **March 9 - Jazz Combo and Drumline at the Class of 2026 Night**
- **March 10 - Concert Bands Concert**
- **March 12 - MHS Jazz Invitational**

Meeting Adjourned: 8:36pm

Immediately following our regular meeting we had an Invitational Meeting

Next meeting: Thursday, April 7, 2022