

Waverly Band Boosters
Meeting Minutes - Monday, March 15, 2021
Meeting via Zoom @ 6:30pm

Attending

Candice Batton (secretary), Theresa Delahoyde (historian), Carolyn Doherty (treasurer), Tom Erlandson (president), Jenny Johnson, Tami Prang (fundraising), Jake Senff (director), Dawn Witte (vice president)

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for January and February were distributed by email to all parents. Motion to approve by Theresa Delahoyde and seconded by Carolyn Doherty. Approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was delivered by Carolyn Doherty. The account balances as of 2/28/21 are as follows: general account (\$29,319.57), investment account (\$895.57) and golden accounts (\$21,614.12).

Request to cover music costs incurred by Mr. Rohlf's considered. Support is requested from the Boosters as this year's band budget has gone entirely to instrument repair. Directors have not requested instrument repair support from Band Boosters in the past. Cost for music for all bands is \$1,292.72. Music books will remain with the District. Can foundation funds be used for instrument repair? Approximately \$520 available for this. Proposal for how to use foundation funds required and would need to be approved. Mr. Rohlf's will request funds for music invoice from the foundation and then send revised amount to be approved by Band Boosters.

Where do instrument rental fees come in and how are they handled? By state mandate, cannot transfer money into state budget. Thus, cannot transfer funds from Boosters to District account. Billing for instrument rental to high schoolers will go out later this week. Instrument rental fees do not cover repair costs typically. For middle school, instrument rental fees collected earlier in the year and repairs have been covered for this year, but there were not any major repair expenses incurred this year.

Directors' Reports

Mr. Rohlf's

Thanks to Band Boosters for the Soup Supper – great event, very happy with the evening and how it went.

The students have voted and selected next year's show: Another Brick in the Wall (Pink Floyd), which is about standing up to conformity. Mr. Rohlfs is working on drumline and frontline instructor positions. Ashley Erickson (Colorguard) also resigned; Katrina (Asst Coach) will become head coach for colorguard.

Update on dates...

- March 17 from 8:30am-3:30pm is music contest at high school, parents can attend.
- April 3 for Jazz Band at the Del Ray Ballroom. Approved by administration, parents notified. The Del Ray typically charges a \$1,200 fee, but only \$750 if fundraiser format. District will identify a cover charge (\$10 proposed) and will keep 100%. Looking at options to play 7-9pm or 6-9pm. Contract not yet signed. No food currently allowed, will have open drink, cash bar area. Currently at 75% capacity.
- April 21 had been date for preparation for District music contest, but no large bands are allowed to perform this year – only solos and small groups. Mr. Rohlfs will hire judges to come in and judge band on 4/21. Choral invited to perform that night too. Will be at 7pm and parents can attend. Working with Mr. McMillan on location (gym or stage).
- May 10 for spring concert. Will be different music than 4/21 contest and will include awards.
- Not yet sure if band will perform at graduation, arrangements still being made.

Jazz Band Trip: Mr. Rohlfs consulting with Travel with Barb. Travel opening up, but concern about financial burden for students and families especially with little time/opportunity to do fund raising before May 2021. Last jazz band trip cost about \$800 per student and included show choir which helped defray costs. For trip to St. Louis this year, minimum would be \$1,000-\$1,200 per student, which is too much. Mr. Rohlfs looking at Kansas City area on May 29 as an alternative (e.g., National Jazz Museum, Worlds of Fun, possibly play at park, jazz restaurant/club in evening).

Mr. Senff

Malcolm Music Contest will be March 19. Taking 142 kids and have bus parents identified. All Waverly bands will have a single time slot. No audience this year, but students will be judged and get feedback on their performance. Will return to school 5:30-6:00pm.

Nebraska State Bandmasters Association is hosting a virtual band festival. The 7th grade band is submitting a recording for the clinic which will be on March 31st. Using feedback from performance at Malcolm, then rehearse and submit recording, and do clinic on March 31 during the school day.

Other dates...

- April 8: 6th grade band concert at 7pm
- May 6: Concert at 6:30pm for 7th grade band, 8th grade band, jazz band, and 8th grade choir and show choir.

Mr. Senff developing list of instrument needs for middle school (e.g., oboe).

Middle school students will learn about marching band try outs and eligibility from Mr. Rolfs and Mr. Senff soon.

Fundraising Update

Golf Tournament Update

Golf Event: Date change proposed for Saturday, May 8th at 2pm. Tami Prang will verify date change with Mr. McMillan. Tom Erlandson making most arrangements - some donations already identified, flyer drafted, need to set up SignUpGenius for volunteers, food, etc. Still need prizes. If have 20-25 teams, will have golf course to ourselves. Still need to think through food options (e.g., dessert bake sale, snacks, barbecue with chips, etc.)

Silent Auction Update

Tami Prang sent email last week asking students to bring a small couple items that can be put into a basket, say a \$10-\$15 item. Also, students can bring up to two items per person to sell in 90/10 split for golden accounts with 90% going to students. Asking that items be dropped off by April 9. Baskets will be assembled following week and put on auction site. Auction runs April 21 - May 5. Basket pick up on May 10 before high school concert or by special arrangement. Will have to pay by cash or check, no electronic payment available.

Next Band Trip

Mr. Rohlfs is working with students and planning on vote for where to go in April for trip in May/June 2022. Students have identified three options (i.e., Boston, Hawaii, Disney) and Mr. Rohlfs is working on estimates for Travel with Barb.

Officers

Need to start identifying officers for coming year at April or May meeting.

Middle School Funds

Band Boosters provided the middle school approximately \$2,500 in the past that Mr. Kucera used to support the middle school and jazz bands. Motion to provide middle school band support in amount of \$3,000 per year made by Theresa Delahoyde, seconded by Tom Erlandson. Approved unanimously.