

LWE Music Boosters  
DRAFT- General Membership Meeting Minutes  
January 12, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:42 PM.

Treasurer's Report: Bill Geary reported that the General Fund balance is **\$(-8500.00)**. With the Winterguard Show, upcoming fundraisers and collections of outstanding fees, the General Fund will be where it needs to be at the end of the year. If anyone needs information regarding Travel, IBA, Marching Band, or Choir Trip balances they are available online or you may contact Mike Albert. The Directors and Board members will continue to work on collecting any outstanding balances due.

Ways and Means: DJ Wells reported that the Midnight Bowl General Fundraiser, is underway and should be an enjoyable time for all who attend. This event will take place on January 30<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are due by 1/22/10. There is limited space of 144 for this event. He is still in need of help with prizes and auction items for the midnight bowl and for the upcoming Jazz Showcase. If anyone can assist in contacting local businesses or can donate items, such as tickets to sporting events, please contact DJ Wells.

The Drum-a-thon will start on March 13<sup>th</sup> and continue to March 14<sup>th</sup>. This is a 12 hour music marathon lock in at the East campus. Music students will play for ½ hour blocks. There will be activities such as movies, games, open gyms, and concessions. This is an IBA fundraiser that will have all pledges, minus a few small expenses, going to the students IBA account. We hope to have a live web feed for this evening. Pledge sheets will be given out in the near future.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Spaghetti Dinner: Trish Zannelli will be running the Spaghetti Dinner scheduled for March 5th. Trish will contact the kitchen staff to secure someone for this event.

Winterguard Show: Tom McKay is running the guard show on March 21<sup>st</sup>. The Lindeman's will be shadowing Tom and will take over next year. This should be a successful show as it is the last Winterguard show before the State competition. We are in need of parent volunteers for this show.

Flower Sale: Karen Lezon reported that the Flower Sale forms will go out to students by February 10<sup>th</sup> and are due by May 1th. This is a big opportunity to families who want to earn more for the IBA accounts. Approximately 32% of the cost of the flowers less a \$5.00 fee for the delivery charge will go to the IBA account. Delivery and pick up of the flowers is May 7<sup>th</sup> which is just in time for Mothers Day.

Shop and Share: Barb Malm and MaryBeth Meaux will be working on setting up additional Shop 'n Share fundraisers.

Jazz Showcase: The Jazz Showcase will be held at an outside venue this year. We are looking at April 30<sup>th</sup> for this event. This should be a wonderful evening of music, dinner, and dancing. More information to follow as it becomes available.

Bunny Breakfast: March 27<sup>th</sup>.

Marching Season: Mike Albert reported that for the 2010/2011 School year, we are looking to see if anyone may be interested in volunteering their time to help with Travel organization and planning. If you are someone who enjoys organizing/planning we could use your help. Task required would be contacting hotels, sites, food vendors, and making/booking travel arrangements for the Marching Griffins travel needs.

Staff Comments: Cliff Smith & Cary Ruklic

-Spring Musical: The preparations for the Spring Musical "Into the Woods" are coming along and auditions are taking place with pit auditions taking place on Thursday - 1/21/10.

- There will be a meeting for incoming freshmen on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Griffin's Lair. This meeting is to help parents of incoming freshmen to have a better understanding of how they can balance their students' schedules and include the music programs with the changes that have taken place in the district curriculum and zero hour. Michele Newswander, Director of PPS, will attend this meeting to help with questions.

- On January 25<sup>th</sup>, the Junior High Bands will perform with the Wind Ensemble. Rehearsal will start at 4:30 and the performance will start at 7:00 PM in the GYM.

- Summer Marching Band practices have been placed on the web site for review by parents and students. Rehearsal times are yet to be announced as the directors are still working on a schedule. With the summer school schedule and homework load the rehearsal times will be shortened to approximately 4 hours.

-- February 1<sup>st</sup> is the Choir Step up night, and Jr. High students will perform with our Choirs. Rehearsal will start at 4:00. A performance later in the evening will be held in the AUDITORIUM.

- Solo & Ensemble contest forms will be available this week. The Lincoln-Way District has decided to hold a District Solo & Ensemble contest this year taking place at Lincoln-Way Central on March 6<sup>th</sup>. The four best performances in each category will be invited to attend an honors concert to be held on March 21<sup>st</sup> at Lincoln-Way Central.

- Marching Band CDs are in and students should be bringing them home this week. There are extra CDs available for purchase if you missed the opportunity to pick one up. Information will be posted on the Music website: [www.lwemusic.org](http://www.lwemusic.org)

- The Directors have discussed travel plans for the 2010/2011 Marching season and have decided, with the agreement of the board members that the Marching Griffins will not have a travel year for the 2010-2011 marching season. With the state of the economy and the financial difficulties most families are experiencing, we are not comfortable expecting additional travel fees of up to \$1500.00. The band will participate in two BOA trips (Kettering, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.