

General Music Booster Meeting
March 16, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: President Tom McKay at 7:37pm

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Minutes were sent to Tracy McMahon on 2/11/10, for forwarding to board for approval. Minutes have not been posted on LWE music website, to date.

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT: Nothing to report at this time.

TREASURER REPORT: Bill Geary reported the General Fund in back in black and the balance for month ending February is: \$3342.36. Disbursements have been made for down payments covering 2010/11 BOA Ohio trip and Impact MG retreat. Income has been received from 2008/09, for M/G travel expenses. Disbursements have also been paid from IBA accounts, to cover fees involved with the early summer Choir trip. The next fiscal Booster year begins June 1st.

WAYS & MEANS REPORTS: DJ Wells reported the Music Marathon was successful. 30 students participated in raising funds for their IBA accounts (70% were walk-ins who paid the entry fee and just wanted to have some fun with friends). Thanks to the 8 parent volunteers who assisted in this inaugural fundraiser.

Maribeth Meaux stated the One Cause program is going strong. 30 people are currently enrolled and have already earned Boosters a little over \$90.00. We need more people to sign up, so please encourage family and friends to use this site for most of their shopping needs at: ONECAUSE.COM

We are still looking in to possibly selling specially made LWE Griffin afghans. The soccer team currently sells these as a fundraiser for the Athletic Boosters, so we want to make sure it will be cost effective for Music Boosters to do the same.

Another potential fundraiser that will be looked into, would be bleacher seat cushions with the LWE Griffin logo.

Trish Zannelli reported that the Spaghetti Dinner was a great success. Besides pre-selling a decent amount of tickets, about 100 people were last minute walk-ins. Income was almost \$3200.00, however costs have not been calculated, to determine profit amounts. People complimented the vocal and instrumental music that was provided by our students that evening, and looked forward to next years Spaghetti dinner.

Tom McKay reminds us of the Winterguard Show this upcoming Sunday Mar. 21st. 34 schools have signed up to compete. We are URGENTLY still looking for about 10 parent volunteers. Please contact Tom as soon as possible to help.

Karin Lezon is chairwoman of the Flower Sale this year. 242 order forms were mailed out to high school students and 92 forms were mailed out to 8th grade students, of which so far forms for 53 high schoolers and 15 grade schoolers have been returned to date. Volunteers will be needed for flower truck unloading and flower distribution on May 7th, on the north side of the school, near the tennis courts. Please contact Karen to sign up.

Nancy Antonini is the chairwoman for this years Bunny Breakfast on Sat. Mar. 27th from 7:00am-11:00am in the cafeteria. Booster parents have been mailed 5 tickets to sell.

The Jazz Showcase being held this year at Georgio's in Orland Park on Fri. Apr. 30th will be chaired by Anne Johnson and Bonnie Blomarz. This will be a dinner dance, silent auction, cash bar event, with entertainment provided by our Jazz students. Items are needed for donation for the silent auction. Further information will be forthcoming.

The new chairperson for SIAM this year will be Tammy Cantu and will be shadowing Tom & Karen McKay to take over this successful fundraiser. Because this year will be the 25th Anniversary of SIAM, "special edition" booklets, depicting past and present band/colorguard photos, will be in the issue. The business renewal fee has also been reduced from \$50.00 to \$25.00, in honor of this anniversary. August 22nd & 29th have been designated sale dates, so mark your calendars.

TUXES AND GOWNS: Nothing to report.

STAFF COMMENTS, NON-MARCHING RELATED: Clif Smith reported that at a recent IMEA Jazz fest, Jazz I ensemble took a 3rd in class rating; Jazz II was not officially scored, however judges comments were very positive. Jazz Combo had a great performance also.

The Bob Kames Jazz Festival being held in Milwaukee, WI. Apr. 16th-Apr. 18th will be attended by our Jazz students. This is a really nice annual event, the students are sure to learn from and enjoy.

Choir auditions were held on Tues. 3/15. Results are posted, identified by student i/d number, near the Choir Room. There was a slight drop in audition numbers this year. Band auditions will be held on Mon. 3/22 beginning at 4:30pm. Any senior student wishing to assist in any capacity, should contact Mr. Smith directly.

Senior Banquet will be a catered event on May 23rd in the LWE cafeteria, to help alleviate elevating banquet costs. Further details to follow.

UNIFORMS: Barb Malm noted that the bulk of uniforms are back from the cleaners. In mid April (date TBA) inventory will be done, and she is looking for some volunteers to help accomplish this.

CHAPERONES: Jumping a bit ahead, Karin Lezon stated volunteers are needed to chaperone the Memorial Day parade.

STAFF COMMENTS-MARCHING: Clif Smith wants everyone to be aware that a video trailer of the 2009 Marching Griffin season, prepared by Eric Nush, is currently on the

music dept web site. DVD's will be for sale at a cost of \$25.00. BlueRay is also available for sale at \$50.00. The cost for BlueRay is higher, due to formatting, however if you buy 1 BlueRay disc, you get 1 FREE DVD. Not a bad deal!!

Summer Marching Griffin schedule will be released very soon and will be held in the afternoons from about 1:00pm-5:30/6:00 pm, beginning 2 weeks before the 4th of July.

This time slot will assist any student planning on attending summer school.

There will two BOA's this year: 1 in Dayton, OH.; 1 in Indianapolis, IN.

Percussion clinics will be offered 3 times between in April and May.

As of the most recent Freshman Open House, held in February, 135 incoming students have enrolled in the band program(s), for the 2010/2011 school year.

Please check the web site for upcoming events.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Tom McKay at 8:20pm

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Petrone

Secretary

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