

General Music Booster Meeting Feb. 9, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: Made by President, Tom McKay at 7:35pm

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Cathy Petrone did not attend January's meeting. Minutes were taken by Tracy McMahan, sent to the board for approval and posted on the website within 5 days of the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT: Tracy McMahan stated that an e-mail will be sent as a reminder of the Marching Griffin band photo to be taken this Friday Feb. 12th. An opportunity for individual section photos will be offered also.

TREASURER REPORT: Bill Geary stated not much activity this month. We are currently in the black due to deposits from SIAM sales, Midnight Bowl, Shop & Share, and Market Day. Some income was also received from past due marching band fees. The vendor for the Wreath Sale has not been paid to date. General Fund ending balance through the month of Jan. 2010: \$3,076.93.

Mike Albert reported that rates for band camp have been negotiated and will remain the same for 2010 and 2011.

WAYS & MEANS REPORTS: Midnight Bowl did very well, showing a profit of \$875.00, selling 71 wristbands.

Maribeth Meaux provided a on-line demonstration of our newest fundraising shopping portal called, OneCause.com. By utilizing this portal for shopping with various well-known merchants, Music Boosters can earn up to 20% on eligible purchases. Also offered by OneCause is a VISA Platinum card which will also earn 1% on total spending and up to 9% contributions from the merchant.

Please visit the website for registration and further information. You MUST indicate LWE Music Boosters as the recipient of these contributions.

The Spaghetti Dinner will be on Friday March 5th from 4:00-8:00pm. Trish Zanelli is the chairwoman for this event. Tickets will be going out in the mail shortly. All students are expected to volunteer in some capacity. Exemptions to this would be any musicians or singers performing at the dinner. Still needed are volunteers for kitchen duty and food servers.

The Drum-A-Thon is set for Mar. 13th 8:00pm through Mar. 14th 8:00am. An information and pledge/donation sheet will be distributed by Clif Smith later this week. There is a \$25.00 minimum donation for entry, which will be directed to the general fund, The balance of monies pledged will be going into the students IBA account. Volunteers are needed to supervise this event. If you can only work a certain time period/shift, we would still like you to volunteer.

The Winterguard Show will be held on Sun. Mar. 21st and is being chaired by Tom McKay. Volunteers for concessions, ticket taking, parking, etc are still needed.

The Bunny Breakfast will be held on Sat. Mar. 27th and is being chaired by Nancy Antonini. Volunteers are needed.

The Jazz Showcase will be held at Georgio's in Orland Park this year on Fri. Apr. 30th. This is a dinner dance, fundraiser for the Boosters. More information to follow.

TUXES AND GOWNS: Nothing to report.

STAFF COMMENTS, NON-MARCHING RELATED: Open house for the 2010/2011 school year is this Thurs. Feb. 11th. There will be a separate table in the gym to highlight the fall & winter color guard programs.

Clif noted that the Jazz Ensemble will have a great opportunity to attend the Bob Kames Jazz Festival in Milwaukee, Wi. from Apr. 16th through Apr. 18th. Further details to follow.

Pit orchestra, for the spring play, will begin practicing on Thurs. Apr. 18th.

The Music Department will be joining the staff of LW H/S next week to plan out next years school calendar.

UNIFORMS: Barb Malm will be collecting Marching Griffin band uniforms, including garment bags, raincoats and hats this Friday Feb 12th, after the band photos have been taken at 3:00pm.

CHAPERONES: Nothing to report.

STAFF COMMENTS-MARCHING: Clif Smith reported that the Marching Band will compete in two BOA competitions this fall. Oct. 2nd will be in Ohio. Nov. 5/6 will be held in Indianapolis.

The leadership retreat will be held in early June, for anyone interested in being a section leader/co-leader.

There is a possibility of taking a short trip to an amusement park in late July, before band camp begins.

Calendar scheduling will begin at a staff meeting next week.

Side Note: Alumni Matt Block is talking about assembling an alumni band to come back and play with the current band during halftime at the Homecoming game this fall.

Details to follow.

Motion to Adjourn: By Bonnie Blomarz, seconded by Erin Beebe at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Petrone
Secretary
Feb. 11, 2010