North Davidson Band Booster MINUTES

**1/14/2016 @ 7pm**

# **In Attendance**

See meeting sign in sheet.

# **Welcome and Approval of Minutes**

The November minutes were approved by the boosters’ officers and can be found on the band website.

# **Saxmas**

Saxophone section played three times for the Salvation Army Red Kettle. They also got invited to play at the Golden Corral. This was a paying gig for them! They were paid in food – they each got a free buffet for playing!!

* Need volunteer forms – getting them signed next week
* Golden Corral invited NDHS band to participate in their fundraiser – Camp for Kids of Wounded Soldiers. Other high school bands also invited to participate. There will possibly be a competition to see which band can raise the most money. That band will get a percentage of the profits.

# **Treasurer’s Report: Tanya Parks/Crystal Debusk**

* Tanya Parks was not in attendance – she was sick. Crystal Debusk – not in attendance, but she emailed officers a financial report and Mr. Fordham made copies and handed them out.
* Examination of the Books – The Booster By-laws state that an examination of the books must be done in February. We need 3 members to do this, one member of the Board of Directors and 2 members at large appointed by the Band Director.
  + Amy Feezor & Linda Gorski volunteered to be one of the examiners.
  + Cindy Leonard will serve as our officer.
* Hats and plumes: We voted in September to purchase the hats and plumes. This has been put on hold due to questions around the financial report.

# **Fundraising Report**

* Student Participation:
  + 123 students get to participate in everything the band does; only a handful are helping to raise funds. **We need more participation.**
  + 65 students participated in the mattress sale
  + 100% participated in the festival – required
  + 50 students participated in the fruit sale
  + 15 students participated in Texas Roadhouse fundraiser. Section leaders did not hand out packets.
* Spring Fundraisers:
  + Zumba-thon – March 5th?

# **Fundraising Report continued**

* + Battle of the Bands on April 15th at Oak Forest Church
    - Need suggestions for meal – We can cook at the church. In past years we have made spaghetti, however a suggestion was made to change to baked chicken because it is much simpler to make then spaghetti. Any thoughts?
    - Texas Roadhouse donating bread and salad for event.
    - Need volunteers to set up/clean up, prepare meal, plan event
    - Tickets sold at door only this year – 250 seat limit
  + Mrs. Flinchum – T shirt quilts
* Need to do fundraising because of costs to run band. Band just got a $3000 bill for the costs of running the buses to the football games.

# **Director’s Report**

* All District Band Clinic:
  + At Appalachian State University
  + Students will leave school with Mr. Fordham on Thursday, 2/18 after school
  + Clinic starts Friday, 2/19 and ends on Sunday, 2/21st
* Grass on Football Field:
  + It needs treating – total cost of chemicals over the course of the year would be $1500.
  + Mark from athletic boosters told Mr. Fordham that if we pay for the chemicals he will make sure our field is treated when the rest of the fields are being treated. We would pay for the chemicals as they are needed. It will not be $1500 all at once.
  + Mr. Fordham asked if we could set $1500 aside in the budget to pay for the chemicals.
* Ice Machine:
  + Old ice machine died. The athletic association purchased a new ice machine for $3000. They asked if we would be willing to chip in to help cover the cost of it. It would be accessible to all of the students. Mr. Fordham asked if we would be willing to chip in $300-$500.
* Grass & Ice Machine:
  + Mr. Fordham is asking us to set aside a total of $2000 in the budget to cover the costs of the ice machine & the grass chemicals.
  + A motion was made to approve this by Tammy Duffey and it was seconded by Meghan Palombo. No vote at this time – did not have enough members present to make up a quorum. Will readdress this at next month’s meeting.

# **Review of By-Laws**

* Cindy Leonard passed out a copy of the by-laws to the members at the meeting. She asked us to review them and present to her anything we think needs to be updated, changed, or added. We will discuss next month at booster meeting.
* Any suggestions or changes need to be submitted to Cindy Leonard by January 27th. Cindy will compile all suggestions; meet with the board of directors to discuss; present changes at the February meeting.

# **Officer Elections**

* **Officers, Festival Heads, Committee Chairpersons – there are positions open that need to be filled**
  + **Please consider volunteering**
* Nominating Committee:
  + **Craig Shillinglaw, VP – Chairman of Nominating Committee**
  + Need 2 members to volunteer to be on committee
  + If anyone is interested in any position, see Craig Shillinglaw or Cindy Leonard
  + FYI – we have 20 seniors graduating this year and 30 graduating next year – we will lose a lot of volunteers – we need volunteers, preferably parents of freshmen & sophomore students, to take over positions

# **Budget Committee**

* In February we will form a budget committee to prepare the 2016-2017 budget.
* If you are interested in helping with this committee, please contact Cindy Leonard.

# **Upcoming Events: Cindy Leonard**

* Saturday, 1/16: All Region Jazz Auditions – Hough HS in Mecklenburg County
* 1/18 – 1/20: No school
* 1/21: 3rd quarter begins
  + Spring Band begins – Spring fees ($40) & instrumental rental fees ($25) due
* 1/25 – Spring Open House 5pm – 7pm
* 1/27 – Report Cards
* 2/5- 2/6: All Region Jazz Band Clinic – Asheville HS
* 2/18- 2/21st: @ App State University
  + Students leave school 2/18 after school
  + Band clinic starts on 2/19
  + Middle School Concert on Saturday, 2/20
  + High school concert on Sunday, 2/21
* 3/6 – All State Band and Jazz Band Auditions – Brown MS
* 3/10– Pre-MPA: Wind Ensemble Concert at Finch Auditorium in Thomasville
* 3/13 – Snow Date for All State Band and Jazz Band Auditions – Brown MS
* 3/15 – Volunteer forms due – to get credit & recognition for volunteer hours.
* 3/17 – NDHS MPA
* 3/24 – Middle School MPA – Broyhill Convention Center, Lenoir
* 4/8-4/9: All State Jazz Band Clinic, School of Science and Math
* 4/15 – Battle of the Bands @ Oak Forest Church
* 4/23 – City of the Arts Jazz Festival and Solo and Ensemble Festival – Reagan HS
* 4/29 – 5/1: All State Band Clinic @ UNC-Chapel Hill
* 5/6 & 5/7: Jazz Band MPA - Northview MS, Hickory, NC
* 5/12 ??? – Spring Banquet
  + Usually in cafeteria
  + Jazz band performs
  + Catered meal (any suggestions?) (prices will probably be more this year – caterer will serve)
  + Slide show of kids – start getting your photos together
* 5/14 – athletic banquet
* 5/15 – academic lettering

# **Upcoming Events continued:**

* Week of 5/23 - Spring Concert
* 6/11: Graduation – students play at the graduation

# **Other/Questions/Concerns**

* PIE volunteer forms for band students due by **March 15th** in order to get credit and be recognized this year. (Events they can get hours for, if they helped:  Band Festival – Nov 7th, Mattress Sale Aug 29th, Fruit Delivery – Dec 12th, Saxmus (Salvation Army Red Kettle/Golden Corral)
* Missy Fitzgerald – says thank you for our kindness & support. She told Cindy she didn’t realize that our band really is a family.
  + She says she is hanging in there and taking it day by day.

# **Meeting Adjourned**