

JAY BAND BOOSTERS

June 9, 2009

Mike Schroer, president, called the meeting to order. He introduced the Booster executive board for 2009-2010. Mike thanked everyone for coming and announced that new band director Paul Hinman would be joining us.

Executive Board Reports:

Secretary: Karen Brockmeyer. Minutes from the May meeting were approved as presented. List of board members' addresses, phones and e-mails was distributed. Revised list will be distributed in August.

Treasurer: Sharon Knorr. The treasurer's report was approved as presented. We have \$16291.65 in the checking account. The board is working on a budget for 2009-2010 school year and will present it to the membership at the August meeting.

1st Vice President: Shawn Schulte. Absent.

2nd Vice President: Carrie Wilburn. A fundraising committee has been appointed and is working on recommendations for next year. Some changes need to be made because of low participation in some existing fundraisers. The committee recommends selling a coupon book this fall instead of cheese and sausage. The coupon book would sell for \$20 with a 50% profit. Book contains an array of businesses, not just restaurants. Brenda Johnson moved we sell coupon books in lieu of cheese and sausage. Seconded. Discussion. Passed. Carrie introduced the idea of getting the middle schools involved in the traditional magazine sales held at the beginning of the school year. Holly Schroer moved not to do magazine sales in lieu of the scheduled Cardinal baseball concession stand fundraisers. Seconded. Discussion. Vote was taken and motion failed. Denise Tritz moved that we continue magazine sales limiting it to the high school. Seconded. Discussion. The motion was amended to include Simonsen 9th grade center and both middle schools in magazine sales. Seconded. Passed. Carrie will work out the details of these fundraisers.

Membership: Holly Schroer. Membership forms are available. \$10 for family membership. If you do not wish to join, please give her your e-mail address so you will get band information.

Uniforms: Darrell Gibler. A new middle school shirt has been designed, same shirt for both schools. Pricing on needed uniform items was given to students tonight, so they can bring proper amount to pick-up. Shoes are ordered. Marching t-shirts are being designed. Wal-Mart's \$5000 donation entitles them to their logo on one sleeve. Darrell is looking for a company to print the shirts. Dix Road Cleaners will again be cleaning the symphonic vests and marching uniforms free. Please patronize them and thank them. He will be holding uniform repair workshops Tuesdays in June during marching practice. According to director Paul Hinman, we will be getting new uniforms next year funded by the school district.

Volunteer Coordinator: Nancy Gibler. A clipboard for volunteers for various events throughout the year is circulating. Please sign. We also need volunteers for the pit crew for fall and to hand out uniforms. Please see Nancy.

Advertising: Pattie Burkhardt. If you have an event that needs publicity, please let her know.

Equipment: Mark Hill. Ron's Trucking has kept the semi over the winter and will continue to do this. They have asked they be kept better informed of band activities. Mark also submitted a bill from Ron's Trucking for work done this spring- repaired cables on back, lubing and DOT inspection. Mark plans to have a workday to prepare the semi for the season.

Members at Large: Judy Bangert & Brenda Johnson. No report.

Promotional Items: Vacant.

Corporate Sponsorship: Cheri Gardner. She received a donation from Boyce & Bynum for \$1000. She and director Paul Hinman will continue to call on businesses. She has letters for all the membership to take asking for \$100 donations. Letters should be given to businesses you frequent. This was a very successful format last year.

Webmaster: Mark Landis. Absent.

Newsletter: Vacant.

Director's Report: Paul Hinman.

Paul introduced himself and offered his appreciation for all in attendance and for students and parents who helped with his move. Noted that band is not his program but the students' and parents' program. He knows the band program here has a tremendous reputation and tradition and plans to continue those. He will bring some new things to the game, things he has learned from his work and the contacts he has throughout the country. He does enjoy competition and views it as a way for students to learn real life skills. He asks those present to help him and the band acknowledge every competitor's success, be a model for sportsmanship, be a model for the way people should act in an adult environment. He hopes to improve the communication from the music department to the parents. He asks for two parents to be communication leaders. Holly Schroer as membership chair and Mark Landis as webmaster will assume those roles.

The fall marching show will have an Arabian theme with the title: Mirages. The music for the show is complete. The fee was \$2500, and he asked the remainder of that fee is sent to the writer. He has secured a drill writer. He also announced that a color guard director is hired. He is still working on the fall competition schedule. Hopes to attend 3 to 4 competitions.

He asks the booster board invite the student band president to become a member of the booster board of directors. He will meet with the band officers on a regular basis to get their input.

He announced that the symphonic band would be attending the Heritage Festival in Washington, D.C. next spring.

Mr. Hinman also said that in discussions with the high school administration he has received the impression that this will be the last year for block scheduling. He also is researching the possibility of offering private lessons during school time.

He asks the membership to consider the formation of an Outstanding Freshman Award in honor of out-going director Steve Eubanks. The award would be given at the end of the year band banquet, and Mr. Eubanks would be invited to give the first award.

He also asked the membership to consider hiring an outside writer for the percussion battery fall show. He estimated a \$1000 fee.

Mr. Hinman's e-mail address is paulhinman1@juno.com. Phone is 415-3226.

Old Business:

Mike announced the first Cardinal baseball concession stand fundraiser is June 27. We need a few more volunteers. Please see him if you can help. You must be over 21. An e-mail with uniform requirements will be sent soon. Next dates are Aug. 29, 30, and Sept. 3.

New Business:

Mike reported that the Booster bylaws include board representatives from Simonsen 9th grade center and both middle schools. Volunteers for these positions are Dee Dee Shelton, Thomas Jefferson Middle School, Stephanie Thomas, Lewis and Clark Middle School, and Tom Vallot, Simonsen.

Darrell Gibler moved the Booster bylaws be changed to allow the student band president to be a member of the Band Booster board. The motion was tabled until August.

Mike presented the suggestion of starting a phone tree to dispense band information. It was suggested that the school district might have a similar program in place that we could utilize. Mike will check into that and update the membership in August.

Mike reported that Shawn Schulte, Sharon Knorr, Karen Brockmeyer and he have meet to work on a budget for the 2009-2010 year. The work will continue and a budget proposal will be presented to the membership at the August meeting.

The audit committee of Denise Tritz, Leah Roberts and Brenda Vallot will also report at the August meeting.

As per Mr. Hinman's request, the possibility of an Outstanding Freshman Award being established in honor of Steve Eubanks was discussed. Brenda Vallot moved we establish said award. Seconded. Discussion. Passed.

Diana Rivera moved we pay up to \$1500 for a percussion drill writer. Seconded. Discussion. Passed.

The meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be the first Tuesday in August.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen J. Brockmeyer