

Hastings Band Boosters

Meeting Minutes

November 1, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by President Connie Kolodziej.

Attendees: Rick Hardy, Connie Kolodziej, Diane Gibson, Heidi Bohlken, Niecy Brockman, Duane Oldham, Jim Jacobsen, Terri Ventry, Rachel Hill, and Mike Ventry.

A motion was made by Rick, seconded by Heidi, to approve the September minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: There is a balance of \$10,502.77. Heidi has paid the bus bill, deposited the Farber check and Hi-Note money, and written checks for \$200 for Dr. Tim - \$80 for high school students and \$120 for middle school students.

Band Director Reports:

Duane Oldham: He has a student teacher, Rachel Hill for the rest of the semester. She's from Winona State.

Jim Jacobsen: 251 kids from the Twin Cities area attended the Dr. Tim presentation. There were 41 kids from Hastings including middle school students. All were well behaved and learned a lot from the presentation. The chamber groups held clinics for all band students.

Old Business:

Drum stand reimbursement: Music students performed in a drum-athon and worked at the music festival to raise money. The money is in the marching band activity account. An invoice is needed from boosters for \$393 so the money can be returned to boosters.

Hi-Note Fundraising Book: There are 3 books at AA Auto Tech, Connie has 37, 10 are at the radio station, Steve Parizek has 6, Katie Kolodziej has 1, Niecy Brockman has 1 and Amelia Strauss has 2. Niecy has had a tracking board made (mountain climber) that will be posted in the band room and she proposes a doughnut celebration when all of the books are sold. A motion was made by Rick, seconded by Niecy, to drop the price to \$20, with \$10 going to the student account and \$10 to boosters. Motion carried. We will try to sell books at the November 15 concert and the November 29 middle school concert.

Band donation procedure: Interested persons can donate money to band through the school district to get a tax donation. If someone wants to give to boosters, they can but it's not deductible. They could donate to the district and ask that boosters be allowed to allocate.

Booster balance in the high school band activity account: There is some question about the balance in the activity account. Money collected from students for various things (shirts, books) and then the bills are paid from there. Money from the district is supposed to be deposited when parents help at concerts. Jim will pursue information about where the money came from and how it can be used.

Update on transportation funding: There is a planned meeting with Jim Jacobsen, Emily Chandler, Lin Warren, and Mike Johnson to decide how the transportation budget is to be used.

New Business:

Middle school band festival registration fee request: There is a request for \$260 for the 6th and 7th grade middle school bands to attend the Minnesota Music Educators Association festival on May 4th in Edina. The request is that boosters pay MMEA directly rather than give the money to the district and wait for a check to be sent. The money will come from the booster budget for middle school festivals. Request was approved.

Congratulations to the marching band for winning the State Championship. We are all so proud of their accomplishments this year and look forward to next season.

The proposed grant request form was discussed. It will be changed into a PDF file to be available on the website. Users will be able to type information directly onto the form and submit to boosters by email.

The choir fundraiser from Ford was held on a Tuesday in October. \$7,100 was raised for student accounts. Band gets this fundraiser next year. Hastings Ford is proposing to hold it on a weekday in the spring. Word of mouth seems to be working to get people there to participate. Jim hopes to be able to announce the 2014 band/orchestra trip by the end of this year.

The next meeting will be held on January 3, 2013, at 7 pm in the band room.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rick, seconded by Niecy. Motion carried.

Submitted by Terri Ventry, Secretary