

Booster Meeting Agenda

1/9/2018

6pm, Ainger Band Room

Board Members Present: Tim Ostrow, Director, Veronica Grannan (President), Elana Lamparello (VP), Gabriele Extejt (Treasurer), Andrea Mazar (Co-Treasurer), and Dori Mann (Secretary).

Parents Present:

Guests Present:

Meeting called to order at 6:13 pm.

- 1) Treasurer(s) Report
 - a. General Balance - \$4970.73
 - b. Trip Balance - \$2,603.55
- 2) Old Business
 - a. Yankee Candle Fall Fundraiser
 - i. Problem orders?
 1. Mr. Ostrow had four students that claimed they did not receive their items. They were given instructions to contact our treasurers before break. None of them did.
 - a. Lilly Keller - no order on file
 - b. Lily Stines - no order on file
 - c. Faith Dennis - no order on file
 - d. Zaiden Redmen – did have an order. Claims he did not receive.
 - e. Danielle Parla – claims she didn't receive items
 - f. Jaylynn Bennett - claims she didn't receive items
 - b. FAME
 - i. Mr. Ostrow already sent FAME board members a “wish list” which includes 2 euphoniums, 4 timpani, and 2 bassoons. We are prioritizing them in that order as we do not expect to get everything.
 1. There has been no reply yet.
 2. Mr. Ostrow has asked VES and LBHS to send in their wish list asap so that FAME can order instruments.
 - c. Winter Concert
 - i. Pros – Exceptional help from LBHS students, director and booster parents. LBHS band director narration. Beginning Band script. Great attendance.
 - ii. Cons – Wheel chair designation. Percussion needs to be set in stone without having to move instruments from the floor to the stage.
 - d. Midwest Convention
 - i. It was a great experience for Mr. Ostrow to see band programs on display from a national perspective. Mr. Ostrow made connections, attended amazing performances, and attended clinics. He intends to utilize what he learned at the convention here at Ainger.
 - e. Solo and Ensemble
 - i. Money and contracts have been collected as of Monday, January 8th. As of today, we have 29 students in Advanced Band and Percussion Ensemble that want to perform a solo.
 - ii. The accompanists, Jack and Marcy Sternisha, are confirmed to work with our students again this year. They will be paid for the 29 soloists (\$580).
 - iii. We will have an intern to assist Mr. Ostrow in preparing the kids. He starts with us in late January.
 - iv. Dr. Bill Dederer has also committed to assisting. We will pay Dr. Dederer for his services. He get's \$15 for each soloist and \$5 for each member of an ensemble EXCEPT for the large brass and woodwind choirs. He will start coming in three days a week beginning January 16th.
 - v. Dennis Mikell, who teaches percussion at LBHS, will come in for FREE every Thursday leading up to S&E starting January 18th. We should consider paying him something! We will bring this up again in February or March.

- vi. The boosters will cover the cost of chamber ensembles and choirs.
 - 1. We could also ask Mr. Harvey (LAMS Principal) or the PTO for assistance with paying for the ensembles and buses. The PTO meets on January 22 at 5:30pm. At \$6 an entry, we have 84 students participating with a \$504 fee for the chamber ensembles and choirs.
- f. CCPS Honor Band
 - i. Student contracts and payments (\$20) were turned into the payments box for the students that made the band.
 - 1. 22 of 30 students have made the payments.
 - a. Students can see if their payments have been received on FOCUS.
 - i. This will be updated to quarter 3.
 - b. Mr. Ostrow will remind them in class of their commitment.
 - ii. After the rehearsal on Monday, November 13th at PCMS Mr. Ostrow realized the band is too big and will recommend a reduction in players for next year with set instrumentation in advance of the audition results.
 - 1. After speaking with the remaining CCPS MS Directors, 2 of the 3 agreed to those terms.
 - 2. We will also hold the auditions two weeks earlier in Mid-October so that we can have another rehearsal as a full ensemble before Thanksgiving break. In lieu of this, we might simply meet one night before without a clinician in January as a full band and have a rehearsal.
 - iii. After discussion with the band, the feel from the band was that the students in the ensemble were not of an honor band criteria. There were many students that didn't play their instruments properly or who could read at the level they were asked to read.
 - iv. LBHS will request more music stands.
 - g. Pre-Jazz MPA "Jazz Showcase" at West Coast Church on Monday, January 29th from 6-9pm.
 - i. The church gave us 36 tickets to sell. We did not have enough tickets to give each kid. Mr. Ostrow has requested more tickets.
 - ii. Mr. Ostrow and Mr. Eyrich spoke with the church about the specifics for the ticket sales and facility needs:
 - 1. Tickets will include dinner and a show. Each band will perform 4 or 5 tunes for the audience. Tickets are selling for \$8 and the church will decorate, seat, cook, and serve up to 100 seats. Tables can be reserved with the tickets. Ticket holders will need to go online to reserve specific seats. The website is on the printed ticket.
 - a. The tickets will be given to Mr. Ostrow from WCC by Monday, December 4th.
 - i. This did not happen. They were distributed Monday, January 8th.
 - b. We will ask our jazz band students to sell two tickets each.
 - i. We didn't receive enough tickets.
 - 1. Mr. Ostrow has requested more tickets.
 - ii. Students will return tickets they do not sell to Mr. Ostrow.
 - c. Additional tickets will be available for purchase in the lobby at the Winter Concert.
 - i. This did not happen as the tickets weren't printed in time.
 - 2. The LAMS and LBHS Band Boosters will provide the ingredients. We can use Sign-up Genius and ask our parents to either bring the ingredients to the front office. We will need specific brands with items such as spaghetti noodles, marinara sauce, etc.
 - a. We will organize this two weeks before the event after the tickets are sold so we know how many ingredients to acquire. We will do this the week of Tuesday, the 16th of January.
 - i. Here's what they have specifically asked for PENDING ticket sales:
 - 1. 2-3 coolers full of ice.
 - 2. 30 loaves of sliced French bread from Wal Mart (\$1 a loaf).
 - 3. \$200-\$300 for plates, glasses, plastic ware, napkins.
 - a. Mr. Ostrow will call Pastor Nancy. The board recommends that we supply

