

# Booster Meeting Agenda

## 5/8/2018

### 6pm, Ainger Band Room

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

Parents Present: Laura Parla

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm.

- 1) Treasurer(s) Report
  - a. General Balance - \$13,478.08
  - b. Trip Balance - \$823.95
- 2) Old Business
  - a. Recruitment
    - i. Mr. Harvey agreed to place the 120 fifth grade students in beginning band without parent signatures. However, we will mail the parents a brochure that says “welcome to band” and what to expect.
      1. Parents can opt out of band by going to the website or calling the schools front office.
      2. Mr. Ostrow will also host a parent night before next year’s open house for interested parents.
  - b. Retention
    - i. Current 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade band students completed “intent” forms the week of April 16<sup>th</sup>. Students completed the following:
      1. 116 current 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders completed the survey.
        - a. 83.6% intend to return to Ainger next year.
        - b. 82.8% will continue in band.
        - c. 43.1% want to be in jazz band.
        - d. 18.1% want to be in percussion ensemble.
        - e. 41.4% want to double on another instrument.
      2. The week of May 7<sup>th</sup> and May 14<sup>th</sup>, all band students that intend to stay in band will audition for placement in the intermediate, advanced, jazz, or percussion ensemble. They are playing scales.
        - a. The students are “sorted” based on their performance of scales using a specialized rubric.
        - b. Mr. Ostrow will post the results before the end of the school year with student numbers instead of names.
        - c. Mr. Ostrow will try to speak with each student about their placement before summer.
      3. We are expecting ~50 students in AB, ~50 in IB, ~30 in three BB’s, and 28 in a JB.
        - a. The extra percussion equipment will go to LBHS for their new percussion ensemble class which currently has 17 students signed up.
  - c. Boca Grande Woman’s Club
    - i. We received a grant in the amount of \$12k.
      1. \$5k for instrument repairs and maintenance.
      2. \$5k for a new copy machine to print programs.
      3. \$2k for new music.
  - d. Band Lock-in
    - i. Good
      1. The kids loved the HUGE ball.
    - ii. Bad
      1. We had 104 students participate.
      2. Don’t let grandma give popcorn or candy in the locker room!
  - e. Universal Trip and Performance
    - i. Good
      1. All of it.

- ii. Bad
      - 1. Two students did not attend.
- 3) New Business
  - a. Booster Officer Elections
    - i. Duties and bylaws
      - 1. Review each position and vote via Roberts Rules. Secret ballot for more than one candidate.
    - ii. President
      - 1. Veronica Grannan – passed.
    - iii. Vice President
      - 1. Dori Mann – passed.
    - iv. Secretary
      - 1. Heather Dragon – passed.
    - v. Treasurer
      - 1. Gabriele Extejt – passed.
    - vi. Co-Treasurer
      - 1. Laura Parla – passed.
    - vii. Committees
      - 1. Communication Coordinator
        - a. Trey Creech – passed.
  - b. Spring Concert
    - i. A “Spring Concert Checklist” went out the week of April 16<sup>th</sup> to inform parents of the date changes due to FSA conflicts.
      - 1. A Remind was also sent and the checklist was posted to the website under the “News” link.
    - ii. Equipment
      - 1. We need to haul the percussion equipment the day before to LBHS as we will not be able to fit it all in the trailer with the concert and jazz band instruments.
        - a. Paul Mann or Matt Grannan will meet Mr. Ostrow at 4pm at Ainger on Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup> to haul the percussion instruments to LBHS and bring the trailer back.
      - 2. We will haul the remaining jazz band and concert band instruments to LBHS on the day of the concert.
        - a. Zach Extejt will meet Mr. Ostrow at 4pm at Ainger on Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> to haul the concert band and jazz band instruments to the auditorium and back (following the concert).
    - iii. Decorations
      - 1. The Board will decorate the stage and auditorium for the spring concert. Contact Michelle Wier ([michelle.wier@yourcharlotteschools.net](mailto:michelle.wier@yourcharlotteschools.net)) and Mr. Eyrich ([Philip.eyrich@yourcharlotteschools.net](mailto:Philip.eyrich@yourcharlotteschools.net)) to work out a time to get into the auditorium.
        - a. Recommend 4pm meet time.
        - b. Also set up the programs in the lobby.
        - c. Also set up a donation box with a slit in it.
      - 2. The decorations are in G 5 ½ here at Ainger. Mr. Ostrow has the key.
      - 3. Please place reserved seating signs out for sponsors, boosters, and administration.
      - 4. Also, place a rope out for 100 seats on the stage right side for the band to sit in while they aren’t performing.
    - iv. Programs
      - 1. Mr. Ostrow will get the program draft to Hartman’s Print Shop in Tiffany Plaza by Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>.
      - 2. Estimated cost is \$400-500 for 350 programs.
        - a. Color
        - b. 2 pages stapled at the spine.
        - c. Semi-gloss paper.
      - 3. We will include the “Note Worthy” note as an insert and as parents to place them in the lobby “donations” drop.
        - a. The script will recommend that everyone give something in the form of a nice note to their child/band, a donation, or both.
    - v. Script
      - 1. Mr. Harvey will conduct the welcome

2. Mr. Eyrich will narrate the concert script.
  3. The board will be asked to go to the stage to receive thanks.
    - a. Elana Lamparello
- vi. Student Awards
1. Pins
    - a. All 8<sup>th</sup> graders will receive a music paw pin to wear to the concert.
  2. All Jazz Band members will receive a Cougar Jazz Pin to wear to the concert.
    - a. We have ordered and received three “Directors” awards
      - i. Most outstanding woodwind, brass, and percussionist \*8<sup>th</sup> grader that is continuing band in HS.
    - b. We have ordered and received two “Woody Herman” jazz awards
      - i. Most outstanding rhythm section and wind player \*8<sup>th</sup> grader that is continuing band in HS.
    - c. Elana Lamparello will take the plaques to the Venwood Trophy shop and have them engraved. Mr. Ostrow has provided a list of names for each plaque.
- c. To Purchase
- i. Copy Machine
    1. Two quotes from two companies. JM Todd had the better service plan.
    2. ~\$4,950. 1 cent per black and 6 cents per color. Can make programs.
    3. See quote.
      - a. Passed by board approval.
  - ii. Train whistle for AB performance of “The Great Locomotive Chase”.
    1. Contact Glenn Barberot at [ragtimeorleans@aol.com](mailto:ragtimeorleans@aol.com). This is also his PayPal account. His company is titled ragtimewest.com.
    2. Specify the 6 tone train whistle for L.A. Ainger Middle School with band teacher, Tim Ostrow.
    3. Discounted price of \$175.
    4. Ship directly to Ainger.
    5. Tell him that we need it by Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup>!
  - iii. “Conductor” engineer hat for Sophia who will play the train part for “The Great Locomotive Chase”.
    1. \$15. See the print out from Amazon.com
  - iv. King Tut hat for Mr. Ostrow to wear for the “Snake Charmer”.
  - v. Crash Cymbals
    1. See quote from Cadence Music.
      - a. Zildjian 18” Symphonic Pair for \$670.
    2. Contact them at 1-800-262-BAND.
      - a. Board votes for approval.
  - vi. Ergo Bone for a trombone student to be in jazz band.
    1. \$169.95
    2. See quotes from two websites.
      - a. Postpones until Mr. Ostrow speaks with the student and the student takes the placement test.
  - vii. Florida Band Workshop summer “Band Director Camp”
    1. June 20<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> in Titusville, FL
    2. \$237 for 4 days - includes meals.
      - a. Board voted for approval.
- 4) Good of the Order?
- a. We are going to do something special for our performance of “A Child’s Embrace” with the AB.
    - i. Picture drop on website for “A Child’s Embrace”.
    - ii. Mr. Ostrow is also asking LBHS horn and low brass students to sit in with us on this piece. These students will attend an after school rehearsal on Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 4-5:30pm.
  - b. Mr. Ostrow will post summer music camp opportunities to the website and send out a Remind.
  - c. Mr. Ostrow would appreciate parent help during the last three days of school during class to collect instruments, complete inventory, clean the band building, organize the booster room, and empty band lockers.
    - i. Specific times are 8:30am-4pm on Wednesday through Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> through the 25<sup>th</sup>. Also, Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-4pm.
- 5) Closing and Next Meeting.
- a. All were in favor of ending the meeting at 7:42pm.

b. The next meeting will take place on Thursday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at LAAMS, beginning at 6pm.