

L.A. Ainger Band Boosters  
1/17/2019  
6pm, Ainger Middle School Band Room

**Board Members Present:** Veronica Grannan (President), Dori Mann (VP), Heather Dragon (Secretary), Gabrielle Extejt and Laura Parla (Treasurers)

**Other Parents Present:** Trey Creech (Communications Coordinator), Kathy Casale, and Johanna Zalopany

- 1) Call to order at 6pm
- 2) Treasurer(s) Report
  - a) Treasurer(s)
    - I. Booster Account: **TBA**
      - Copier annual expenses: \$1,087.09
    - II. Trip Account : **\$5,825.95+** Many Deposits
- 3) Old Business (December Review)
  - a) Winter Concert
    - I. Good:
    - II. In need of improvement:
      - Put together a set up committee in April.
      - Reserved seats for people working/serving in the lobby.
  - b) Band t-shirts for parents
    - I. They have been paid for, picked up, and placed in the Booster room.
    - II. We did not sell any in the lobby at the winter concert.
      - We should sell them at the spring concert and give them to Disney chaperones.
  - c) All State / FMEA
    - I. Nathan Soto (clarinet) made 11<sup>th</sup> chair of 32 when we arrived for reseating. Julia Lehman (trumpet) made 9<sup>th</sup> chair of 15 when we arrived for reseating.
    - II. Mr. Ostrow will ask the Soto's for reimbursement for lodging. The Lehman's indicated that they cannot reimburse and needed assistance.
    - III. See the letter Mr. Ostrow put in the upcoming school newsletter regarding the experience for the students.



- 4) New Business
  - a) CCPS Honor Band
    - I. Student Reimbursements?
      - 11 of 22 have paid.
      - **Please provide "missing payment" slips for Mr. Ostrow to distribute during class.**
    - II. Updated Schedule due to a conflict with Science Fair:
      - Rehearsal on Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at PCMS from 6-8pm
      - Rehearsal on Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at LBHS from 8:30-4pm
      - Performance on Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at LBHS beginning at 7:30pm
    - III. Attire is black on the bottom with an honor band t-shirt on top. The honor band t-shirt will be handed out at the rehearsals.
    - IV. Mr. Ostrow has been hosting non mandatory honor band rehearsals on Friday's from 8-9am.
    - V. **As LBHS is the host site, we will need to assist by providing extra stands and percussion equipment. A trailer will be needed to drop the items off on Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at the LBHS band room at 4:30pm. Please meet Mr. Ostrow at 4pm at LAMS.**
  - b) Jazz MPA (Music Performance Assessment)
    - I. We can only take 24 of the 32 students. As such, Mr. Ostrow is running sectionals and will pick the most prepared students.
    - II. Mr. Ostrow has asked Mr. Les Kraus to work with Mr. Ostrow and the band during 1<sup>st</sup> period on Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup> from 9-10:10am.

- III. We need scores for all three MPA tunes for the judges (3X).
  - IV. Mr. Ostrow has requested that we perform for the evening block (6-8pm) on Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at Lemon Bay High School.
  - V. A trailer to haul rhythm section instruments is required. When Mr. Ostrow has the performance time, we can work out times to pick up.
- c) Solo and Ensemble
- I. The student contract this year does not allow for ensembles unless all of the members are taking private lessons.
    - Review the student/parent S&E, 2019 contract.
    - Parents drive the students this year. No trailer necessary!
    - This year we have 19 solos and 2 chamber ensembles.
    - The judging fee's for the Florida Bandmasters Association add up to \$157.20
  - II. Dr. Bill Dederer will be assisting Mr. Ostrow during the school day. He will be paid \$15/student and will come in the three weeks leading up to Solo and Ensemble.
  - III. Mr. Jack Sternisha has agreed to play piano with the soloists. He will be on campus to work with the soloists during their band classes in the final two weeks leading up to Solo and Ensemble. He will be paid \$20/student and will rehearse with each student twice as well as perform with the kids at the event.
    - Now that the students have committed with their payments, Mr. Ostrow will send him the music asap so that he may prepare.
- d) Recruitment with Elementary Schools
- I. Mr. Ostrow will be taking the jazz band to VES on February 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> to recruit during LAMS period one jazz band.
  - II. "Step Up Day" for 5<sup>th</sup> graders is tentatively scheduled for February 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.
    - Mr. Ostrow plans on allowing the students to test drive instruments in the band room when they tour LAMS.
    - The Jazz Band will also perform at their lunch.
    - Students interested in taking band will be placed on a list.
      - Fliers will be sent home stating "you're child signed up for band. Here's what that means!"
  - III. Our AP, Mr. Konrardy, would like to host an after school Ainger Showcase in March where parents can register for LAMS.
- e) LBHS Band Articulation for Rising 8<sup>th</sup> Graders
- I. Peach Bowl Meeting set for January 22<sup>nd</sup> at the LBHS Band Room.
    - See the flyer for details.
    - A Remind with details will be sent out on Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>.
    - Please attend if you can, and stay positive!
  - II. Mr. Eyrich, LBHS band director, would like to host a performance and mock registration on Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>
    - Timeline
      - 4-5 Advanced band students rehearse for Concert MPA with Mr. Ostrow and Mr. Kraus
      - 5:15 - Load bus @ Ainger
      - 5:30 - Arrive @ LBHS Bus Loop, walk to cafeteria
      - 5:45 - **Welcome** and Overview with Students & Mr. Eyrich speaking
      - 6:00 - Registration w/Guidance counselor, pizza
        - We could also do cookies after the concert and let the HS/MS students mingle
      - 6:50 - Move to reserved seating in LBPAC (pending approval) for MAD MANTA MASHUP performance by LBHS Band & Drama
      - 7:00 - Show begins
      - ~8:30 - Show ends, parents pick up the kids at LBHS PAC
    - Funding
      - We would need two buses for 44 students (8<sup>th</sup> Graders only) from 5-5:30pm.
        - HS Help
      - We would need pizza for 44 kids.
        - HS Help
  - III. The students have 8<sup>th</sup> Grade "Step-Up Day" on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> where they visit LBHS during the school day and learn about their options.
  - IV. Registration night is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>
- f) Disney Trip Update
- I. 45 of 55 Students turned in their payments.
  - II. We have 5 Flutes, 1 Oboe, 7 Clarinets, 2 Alto Saxes, 1 Bari Sax, 1 Bass Clarinet, 1 Cello, 5 Trumpets, 3 Horns, 6 Trombones, 3 Euphoniums, 3 Tubas, and 4 Percussionists.
    - New student (Sofia Olivo) would like to attend. Need payment confirmation.
    - Joey Sarracino will turn in payment ASAP.
  - III. Mr. Ostrow only received two scholarship requests back from 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.
    - Recommend we purchase two extra tickets now and ask the Rotary Club/BGWC for assistance.
    - Will need assistance for one student.
  - IV. Chaperones
    - Contact boosters via Gmail account.
    - Consideration to occur after we purchase the tickets.
      - Elected by the board.
        - Board + Kathy Casale + Johanna Zalopany + Tonya Huber + Matt Grannan
        - + Mr. Ostrow + Mr. Konrardy/Mr. Eyrich
  - V. Payments due Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup>.
    - Chaperones need to pay by Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>.
    - We will send a letter home to the chaperones.
    - 9 Chaperones total. We will divide the actual cost and subtract the free tickets (2).
      - 2 Chaperones have passes.
  - VI. Students will vote for the park of their choice on Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>.
    - Magic Kingdom, Animal Kingdom
  - VII. Bus
    - 1 bus to hold 55.
    - Consider having an additional Enterprise rent-a-van.

5) Good of the Order?

- a) Band lockers and music stands.
  - I. Many are in bad shape. We need a welder to fix them.
    - Consider checking with the CTC.
- b) The director stand broke in late December. Mr. Ostrow has asked for a replacement and the county has ordered one!
- c) Mr. Ostrow suffered two heart attacks over winter break. He has been instructed to physically take it easy and "do less." There was damage to the heart, but it appears to be minimal. Unfortunately, there is a 10-15% chance of recurrence.
  - I. The heart attacks were caused by an upper respiratory virus and he was diagnosed with Myocarditis.

6) Closing Time

- a) 7:33pm

7) Next Meeting Date/Time/Place

- a) Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.