

Highland Band Parents

February 11, 2008

Officers present: Sheryll Rider, Angela Truccano, Susan Bowman, Carol Smith

Band Directors present: Mr. Davis, Mr. Allen

14 members present

Meeting called to order by President Sheryll Rider. Carol Smith read a thank you letter from the Highland Area Christian Service Ministry thanking the Band Parents and students for the donation of food to the food pantry. The food that was donated was left over from the U of I trip and the IMEA audition in Oct. The minutes from the January meeting were approved 1st by Patty U. and 2nd by Terry M. Motion carried. Susan Bowman gave the treasurer's report. She stated that the final payment has been paid to the tour company for the Disney trip. The treasurer's report was approved 1st by Leon U. and 2nd by Brett L. Motion carried. The directors gave their reports.

Directors' Reports:

- Mr. Allen reported that 56 students from the middle school are preparing for solos. The band is currently working on Solo/Ensemble pieces. There are 1,010 entries so far for the Solo/Ensemble which is being held at Highland Middle School this year on Feb. 23. Mr. Allen also reported that the middle school students will be attending the Illinois State University Middle School Invitational on April 19. On April 26 they will attend the State Full Band Contest. The Middle School band and the High School band are both needing trailers on April 19, so Steve F. will make sure the lights are working on the Munny Band trailer for the middle school to use on the 19th. Mr. Allen thanked the parents who helped with the pizza party for the middle school students. He offered the students a pizza party if at least half of the band students signed up for the Solo/Ensemble. He also reported that Mr. Wilson had a good turn out for the pizza lunch that was offered to the 5th graders if they reached their goal for learning new music.
- Mr. Davis reported that two Grantfork students and 8-10 Highland Elementary students will be attending the Madison County Honor Band for Grade School. He also reported that all but two students from Grantfork band will be going to the Solo/Ensemble on Feb. 23. He has been practicing with the students for this contest. He also reported that the High School band will be attending the High School Solo and Ensemble Contest on March 1. The jazz and symphonic band will also be attending Belleville East High School for a contest.

OLD BUSINESS

- Volleyball Tournament-Brett Leman reported that they did well at the concession stand. The gross amount made was \$1400 and net was \$700.
- Solo/Ensemble-Volunteers are needed for concessions, room monitors, and score sheet runners. It was also discussed that a meal will need to be served for the 15 judges. The committee will meet to discuss the details for this. Mr. Allen reported that a separate checking account was

opened to be used for credits and debits for this event. Also discussed was the need of a separate room for the bus drivers to use throughout the day.

- Disney Trip-109 people are going on the trip. Susan Bowman reported that all the money is collected. Students and adults need to turn in medical forms and documentation before the trip. There will be 2 buses instead of 3 so \$40 will be returned to each student for spending money. It was also stated that there will be no formal picture taken of the band because of the time constraint. Mr. Dugger is planning for a parent meeting with details given about the trip. The date of the meeting has not yet been announced.
- Mazzio Night-The next Mazzio fundraiser will be Monday, Feb. 25 from 5-9 pm. Parents and preferably high school students are still needed to volunteer to work this fundraiser. Terry and Jeff Menz have volunteered to work the 5-7 shift.
- Donation Update-The band directors have decided what instruments they are wanting to purchase with the money donated by the Rikkli estate. Mr. Davis reported that they have discussed that the money be split between the 4 schools. The high school will purchase a new set of vibes, the middle school also needs a new set of vibes and bells kit. The Highland Elementary and Grantfork are both in need of new tubas/euphoniums. A motion was made by Susan B. that \$3,000 would go to each school listed above for the purchase of new instruments totaling \$12,000 from the Rikkli Memorial. Toni A. 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
- Officer Nominations-Sheryll reported that Angela Truccano is the nomination for President, Jeff Menz for Vice President and Diane Hoyt for the Secretary. These nominations will be voted on during the March meeting. Junior and senior class reps. are needed beginning the summer of 2008. Class reps are also needed for the classes of 2013 and 2014. Carol Meffert is currently updating the website. She will also need to be replaced for next year. A new uniform coordinator(s) is also needed to work with Angela so that they can take over that position for 2009-10.

NEW BUSINESS

- Book Auditor- Patty U. asked if there was a need for an auditing committee for the treasurer's books. This was discussed and decided that it would be a good idea to have this for the association. Patty made a motion to have a 3 person committee to audit treasurer's books once a year. Toni A. 2nd the motion. Motion carried. This will be voted on at the next meeting to add to the by laws of the Band Parent Association.
- Trailer Ads-These are all paid up until January 2009. The ads need to be updated every other year.
- Senior Night-Basketball Senior Night is scheduled for Feb. 22. The senior pep band members will also be recognized.
- Cardinal Fundraiser-NEW!-Sheryll reported on a fundraiser that was brought to her attention for selling Cardinal tickets and the band could perform before the game. Jeff M. made a motion to pursue the Cardinal Fundraiser if band directors think this would be feasible for the band to do. Brett L. 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

- Cardinal Game Dates for Concessions-The dates for the 2008 season are Sun., April 27 @ 1:10, Sat., July 5 time TBA, Sun., Aug. 3 @ 1:10, and Sat., Sept. 6 @ 6:10. All volunteers need to be trained to work this fundraiser. Veteran volunteers need a one hour training.

- New Water Bottles and Carriers-Kevin and Beth Frey have purchased 8 new lightweight water carriers and 32 new water bottles to be used for the parades for the BPA.

The next meeting will be announced along with the Parent Meeting for the Disney Trip.

Meeting adjourned.

Carol Smith, Secretary