

MINUTES

WCHS BAND BOOSTERS

Date: 8/28/2023; Meeting called to order by Traci Snell at 6:59 PM

In Attendance--There were 20 + booster members present, plus Mr. Tallman. The meeting was held in the WCHS chrous room.

Approval of Minutes-- The minutes from the July meeting were reviewed by the members present. Sam Coussens noticed the date should be corrected to 7/31/2023. Holly Soltow motioned to approve the minutes with the amended date. Lisa Wilson seconded.

Treasurer's Reports-- There was no Treasurer Report since Adam Saatkamp wasn't able to attend.

Mr. Tallman's Corner-- Fruit Sale: Not making a lot of profit across the band – great for some, low/no profit for others. Fruit sale profits go directly into the student's Charms account and can be used for band fees, other fees, trip charges, etc. Other teams (Boys Golf, Patherettes) are doing a "donation based" fundraiser through a local company (SnapRaise?)--20% of donations go back to the company and the rest goes to the students. They track each student's donations individually. No personal information is shared by the company and is provided by the student/parent. The company then emails on the student's behalf. Student fundraisers are limited to one per year and the timing is coming up for us to decide. Fruit can always be a booster fundraiser if there is enough interest. Timeline would be early October for donation fundraiser, Nov/Dec for fruit fundraiser. Discussion on pros/cons occurred. Motion to change to donation/email based fundraiser by Rod Ayres. Gwen Ziegler second. Majority approved. Mr. Tallman will inform WCHS administration.

- **Senior Night:** Mr. Tallman confirmed date is 9/15. See Old Business for more details.
- **Logan Smith – Donations in his name to WCHS Bands:** Donations received need to be kept separately so we can determine best use. One option – Mr. Tallman passed out the teaching guide for Braden's Rainbow. This was a piece commissioned after the death of a WCHS Band Member in 1995. It was later performed by the band in what would have been that student's Senior year concert. This is something that can take 2-3 years to get completed based on composer availability. This could be a tribute to both Logan Smith and Hannah Phillips. This is just one possibility to consider.
- **Trailer:** Checking on if a final bill has been sent.

Committees

Pit: (Todd Dittman, Sam Coussens , Mark Thurman)-- Brandy reported 34 people are signed up to help with Pit at this Friday's Home Football game.

Popcorn (Traci Snell)-- Traci reported all supplies are ordered and will be taken to the band pavilion Tuesday. Machines have been cleaned and 1 kettle is being repaired by Gold Medal. 3 volunteers are needed for Friday's game

Spirit Wear (Kristin Kopinski)-- Kristin reported all spirit wear and section shirts will be available Friday during the JV game for pickup. Discussion on whether a second store was needed. It was decided not to do a second store since the first store order was about the size of last year's 2 stores combined, and that orders from the second store would not be available for U of I.

Social/ Fundraising--(Amanda/Lauralee)-- Amanda reported there is interest in having a few food trucks available for Community Night. Lion's Club is interested and would include a donation of a certain percentage of the profit. Mr. Tallman will check with the school to make sure no concerns. Additional food trucks are welcome if the band

does not have to pay for them to be there. All donations received that evening from attendees plus any profit sharing from food truck vendors will go towards the Band's portion of the cost to feed the Illini (approximately \$6,000-\$7,000; the school is covering half). Discussions included recommending food items for cooler weather, food trucks would encourage attendees to come earlier and get seats, and kickback/profit sharing from vendors optional but not required.

Band Camp (Cindy Miller) --No report

Decals/Restaurant Night (Cindy Marshall)--No report.

Patron Program (Traci Snell)-- \$17,000 raised to date. Thank you notes and tax forms will be sent after invitational.

Website-(Cindy Marshall)--No report.

Invitational (Stephanie Redlingshafer, Jolie Alois) -Organizational meeting to be held after today's Booster meeting.

Chaperones (Collay Korima)-- Collay reported all chaperones for competitions are covered and volunteer forms have been completed.

Water Table (Cindy Miller)--No report.

Uniforms (Paula Johnson)-- No report.

Old Business--

- **Banners:** Reviewed options for Burk Photography (\$30) vs. Kara Kamienski (\$12). Band and Guard banners will be completed together once Guard costumes are received. Banners will be displayed at the last home game. Agreement to do banners through Kara K. Still waiting on a date for Guard Section/Individual pictures.

- **Senior Night:** Traci Snell volunteered to do flowers for Senior Night. Heidi Rottier volunteered to assist. Mr. Tallman confirmed 9/15 as the date for Senior night after the meeting in his 8/28 email.

New Business--Memorial for Logan Smith: Options received from close friends were discussed: Monetary donation to family for a footstone, or scholarship for a music major graduating this year. Majority favored a monetary donation of the same amount as was done for the Phillips family. After the meeting, Traci Snell found in the August 2021 minutes that a \$300 donation was made. Heidi Rottier motioned to make the donation, Gwen Ziegler seconded. Drumline shirts will have cymbals on the sleeve. Performance display will consist of cymbals and a hat. The drumline decided no flowers. Recommendation from the group is to have someone from pit crew in charge and ensure students/pit crew know what is to be put out at shows.. L-team is also planning a student remembrance to wear at performances (bracelet)

Next Meeting--The next Booster meeting will be held on Monday, October 2nd at 7 pm at WCHS Band Room. Motion to adjourn @ 7:41 PM by Rod Ayers, Trevor Imm seconded.

WCHS Band Boosters Officers 2022-2023

Paula Johson--President

Traci Snell--Vice President

Louise Otte--Secretary

Adam Saatkamp--Treasurer

Lisa Robers--Associate Treasurer

Minutes taken by Stephanie Redlingshafer / Minutes submitted by Louise Otte