

Prairie Central Music Boosters Minutes

September 15, 2008

Members present: Directors: Lesa Kline, Brenda Underwood, Jason & Laura Strough, Melissa, Nagel, David Baird Parents: Teri Wenger, Beth & Kevin Russell, Susan Slagel, Joel & Julie Smith, Nesa Schaeffer, Corry & Dawn Little, Patty Meyer, Jeanette Diller

By – Laws Overview : Time was spent covering the by-laws & fundraisers for the organization.

Fundraisers:

50/50 – Mr. Strough heads up this fundraiser and recognized Al Slagel who won the drawing at the last home game and donated the winnings back to the boosters.

Nut Sales – Patty Meyer offered to coordinate is Renee Waldbeser isn't able to this year.

Pampered Chef – Susan Slagel will coordinate this fundraiser.

Uniforms – Lesa needs a list of sewers who are available to mend uniforms and to make flags. Dawn Little offered her talent.

Music Libraries - The goal for this year is to get the high school library all cataloged. The Jr. High band library is all done with the Jr. High choir still to be done.

Manpower – More help will be needed to remove the flags from the field after the show.

Charms – Alisa Ricketts is working on updating.

Sign-up for Volunteers – Contact Teri or Beth

Scholarship - a committee will be needed to collect the applications and find people to make the decisions – out-of –district is best

Budget - Lesa

- Band camp cost was more than budgeted
- Motion by Beth Russell to approve the budget as presented
- Julie Smith seconded
- Motion passed

Director's Comments

Brenda Underwood –

-49 in Jr. High choir

- Boost in the activity fee prevented some students from enrolling in choir
- a discussion was held regarding the activity fee and what it is used for
- 4th grade will attend the Nutcracker at ISU on Dec 4th

David Baird –

-56 in Jr. High band

- Sept 25th - 8th grade will join the HS for pre-game show at the football game

- 5th grade recruitment is almost completed
- Sept 24th – 5th grade band sign-up
- Oct 5th – 5th grade band to begin

Melissa Nagel –

- 118 in UE choir
- 6th grade is learning to play the guitar
- Meadowbrook – The Nutcracker is the program this year
- UE – Willy Wonka for this year's musical
- Melissa will need help with the props for the musicals

Lesia Kline –

- 6th grade band – 50 members
- Sept 25th - hopefully the entire show at the football game
- Pontiac Contest Sept 26th – Clinic at 2 pm – Show at 6:45 pm
- All band/choir dates are on the general school calendar plus Charms

Jason Strough –

- helping with some Jr. High lessons
- Madrigal auditions are underway
- No Madrigal dinner this year
- Madrigal calendar is filling quickly
- IMEA – students are practicing for the Oct 12th auditions
- Chatsworth program will be held in early Dec.
- Choir concert will be held in November

Marching band trailer

-vinyl is curling up

-discussion to replace, leave as is, or purchase a new trailer

- a new sign can be made for \$500 but the old one would need to be removed first

- before replacing the signage the trailer would need to be repainted at a cost of \$1800

- cost of a new trailer would be about \$5500
- no funds for a new trailer so fundraising would need to be done over the next 2 years
- should look into a larger size trailer if a new one is purchased
- decision was made to leave trailer as is for this season

Mum Sales

- all 500 mums sold
- 2 pre-orders not picked up
- an idea was presented to sell mums in Chenoa & Chatsworth, too
- Teri will check with the vendor to see if he can make 3 stops
- Will discuss later as to amount to order next year depending on the sale in Chenoa & Chatsworth

Teaching Tower

- Ernie Leman is scaling down Pontiac's plan to accommodate our needs
- Teri is going to ask Ernie to oversee the project with the volunteers providing the labor
- Year long project
- Boosters has already received \$3500 in State Farm grants for the building to the tower
- Approximate cost - \$18,000
- Plan & the cost has to be approved by the school board before fundraising can begin
- Lesa presented the idea to contact alumni for donations with the idea of an band alumni dinner/performance

T-Shirt/ DVD Sales

- T-shirt profit - \$262
- contact Teri to order a DVD

New Business

- 50/50 – plenty of volunteers have been available
- new board position was presented for discussion – Marching Band

Equipment Manager

- Brenda made a motion to create the new position
- Beth Russell seconded the motion
- Motion carried
- Joel Smith was nominated for this position by Teri Wenger
- Beth Russell seconded the motion
- Motion carried

