

Waukesha South Band Boosters

August 15th, 2016 Meeting Minutes

PRESIDENT : Toni Ritchie
VICE PRESIDENT : Beth Zimmermann
TREASURER : Jim Ritchie
SECRETARY : Mike Zajdel (414) 305-9759

Next meeting will be Wednesday September 21 in the band room at South.

Call to Order

The meeting was started at by Toni at 07:02PM

Attendance was taken by Mike Z

Minutes were read by Mike Z Approved by Beth 2nd by Toni

Attendance: (please forgive spelling)

| Present | |
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| Abby Mazza | |
| Toni Ritchie | |
| Jim Ritchie | |
| Beth Zimmermann | |
| Mike Zajdel | |
| Anne Paquette | |
| Cyle Coppinger | |

Yessenia Ramirez
Anne Marie Debrowski

Vickie Wolf
Karen Coppinger

Treasurers Report

Since the minutes are likely to be published on the Web, we are not including the balances. If you are interested in the finances, please contact the treasurer directly for a copy of the Treasurers Report.

- Expenditures the past month included monies for the Drum Major camp and Band Camp lunches

Band Directors Report

Band Calendar: <http://www.blackshirtbands.org/Calendar>

- Next performance is Friday 08/26 Football game to play National Anthem
- 9/17 – Germantown
- 9/24 – Marchfest
- 10/15 – State
- Plus 4 games (10/7 = Homecoming)

Summer band camps:

- July 25-28 was a great success
- Aug 15-18 is in process. Music learned, movements are in process.

Band Room update

- Band room was painted this summer – looks great, clean and fresh
- Will be rearranging the room to make things more efficient
- Trophy cabinet was moved near the Art Department and displayed in a more prominent location in the school. Band will request a section to display things as needed.
- Sound Panels – looking to add some sound protection in the room. Abby working with Casio. Estimated cost is \$100 per 2'x5' panel from Acoustic Solutions.
 - o Boosters recommended Abby use the band allocation account

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Abby's Needs from the Boosters

- Marching props – will reuse the PVC stands for banners
- May change as season develops
- EZ-Go needed for the events. EZ Go parked at school. Jeannie still has the trailer.
- Need to replace water bottles (get 6-8 bottles). Burkhart's has them for \$3.99. (made for the 4-pack carry rack) – Mike Z volunteered to purchase them.

Spring Break Trip in planning stages.

- Details in works, pending approvals.
- May not have enough participants to have a trip... still pending
- May partner with West and piggy-back with them to help offset cost
- Potential of just a smaller, 2-3 night trip
- Boosters have agreed to fund part of the transportation expenses (approx. \$3K, support 90 kids)

Student Leadership Team

- Elections will take place once school starts
- Encourage/require booster participation
- Encourage other forms of volunteering and services

Old Business

Script

- Need a new parent volunteer to oversee the Script program (recruit at 8/18 picnic/info session).

Drum Major and Leadership Camp

- Attended by Michal Tang. Boosters covered the expense.

All Band Cookout:

- 8/18 (camp ends 1PM, cookout tentative at 4PM)
- Buckner Park Pavilion (no pool this year)
- Will use the venue as a **Parent Information sharing session**
- Boosters will provide the meat. "Classes" shared other responsibilities
 - o E.g. Soda – Freshmen, Salads = Sophomore, Desserts = Juniors, Snacks/Chips = Seniors
 - o Band has Nescos for the meat, Beth will have meat pre-grilled
- Sign-up Genius will be utilized
- 70+ have RSVPd

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NEW Business

Script

- Need a new parent volunteer to oversee the Script program (recruit at 8/18 picnic/info session). Seems to be very little interest.
- Presently \$6k balance
- Abby spoke with Sherri Cooper – may help with fund raising

Booster Concessions – Needed for Football Game 8/26

- Need volunteers to man the concessions and Spirit wear – Signup with Signup Genius
- Band will get \$520 if we fill our slots

Uniforms

- Fittings and distribution of uniforms 8/22 evening

Booster Budget (South Booster – separate from Band Boosters)

- Band allocated funds is “sizeable” and available. We simply need to make a justifiable case to get funds.
- The new AD does not appear to be a micro-manager, overly scrutinizing every detail

Picture Day

- 08/29 will be picture day
- **REMIND** kids to bring black socks

Band Webpage and eMailer

- Marchfest section added to the site
- Add Booster section on site to house minutes
- EMailer seems to have been hacked
- Mike Z to contact Kevin Clark to discuss:
 - o The hacking of the mailer
 - o Potential to get it working
 - o Get an extract of the emails
 - o Ask for recommendations/alternatives (e.g. GMAIL for an organization to not be marked as a spammer)
- Addendum – Mike Z researching Google for non-profits.
<https://www.google.com/nonprofits/> -- schools are ineligible ☹

Help for Band Performances

- Marching band will need 6-8 volunteers to help with moving equipment for shows
- Drums will stay on trailer
- Possibilities for decorating the trailer
- Transportation of EZ Go

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MarchFest 2016

- 12 total bands!

| Class A | Class AA | Class AAA | Class AAAA | Exhibition |
|----------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Columbus | Sauk Prairie | Waukesha North | Sussex Hamilton | Muskego |
| Cudahy | New Berlin West | Milton | Waukesha West | Waukesha South |
| | | | Greenfield | |
| | | | Germantown | |

- o Many of these bands are large.. we can expect 1500+ students plus their families.
- We will to do another “mosh” event with all bands again this year.
- Cyle already ordered 3 sets of lights for the event. Need to coordinate setup with new AD since there is a game the night before Marchfest.
- Permit to close Tennie avenue is secured
 - o <http://www.waukesha-wi.gov/1207/Permits-Licenses>
 - <http://www.waukesha-wi.gov/DocumentCenter/View/4617>
 - Pending validation of the barricades to be delivered or picked up (Mike Z)
- Judging fees appear similar to last year
- Digital recording is booked.
- Brian Carter is on board to MC the event again.
- Committee Heads and committees:

| Committee | Lead | Notes |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Press Box | Bridgette | |
| Timing/Scoring | Karen Coppinger | |
| Gates, Cash, 50/50 | Jim Ritchie | |
| Escorts | Beth Zimmermann | |
| Ushers/Security | Steve and Laura Kurtz (pending) | Not confirmed |
| Marchfest Program Ads | Mike Zajdel | |

- Happy Ad forms have been delivered to all schools already
- Show shirt theme is “Trash Polka”. Pre-order only. Use same printer (Maple Avenue) as last year. See if each school can have custom color. We have a guaranteed profit using the pre-orders.
- Cyle would like access to <http://www.marching.com/links/wisconsin/>
- Mike Z added Marchfest page on the Blackshirts webpage
- We are looking for “professional volunteers” to provide video services
 - o Photographer has been secured by Cyle
- Overflow parking at PicknSave needed
 - o Mike Z will get permission from store management
- Self-Inking stamps were purchased by Mike Z for stamping visiting bands. 3 Red in house. Requested to purchase 3 more in black ink.

Meeting Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Toni 2nd by Beth at 08:16PM