Limestone Community High School Band Booster Meeting

August 20, 2012

The regular meeting of the LCHS Band Boosters was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 20, 2012, in Bartonville, Illinois by Mike Stobaugh, president, presiding.

Officers present: Jennifer Goble, vice president; Lisa Forsman, treasurer; Kim Dunham, assistant treasurer; Barb Richmond, secretary.

Members present: Stephen Cordes, Melinda Yepsen, Jodie Brackney, Terry Miller, Angie Becker, Rich Becker, William Stevens, Mike Dunham, Michelle Stevens, Merideth Caho, Georgia Mason, Kevin Mason, Alan Barger, Diana Barger, Michelle Jewell Jeanie Towle, Angie Thompson, Linda Doubet, Trish Szentes, Dawn Hutchinson, Adriana Bryan, Tod Hetzel, Amy Pleshko, Lanell Huber, Roger Huber, Joanne Fortner, Valerie Welch, Marcy Fitzgerald, Beth Reidell, Jennifer Scharp, Deb Caruso, Heather Eustice, John Richmond.

Approval of minutes: The Minutes from the May meeting were read and approved. Motion was made by Stephen Cordes and properly seconded by Mike Dunham. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

- Mr. Empey talked about the show's progress and wants everyone to encourage the students (especially the 36 new freshmen).
- We are happy to announce that our original BOA performance day and time has been changed to Friday, November 9th at 11:15 am (Eastern Time).
- The band's first competition is at Washington High School on September 8.
- We are looking for help with props and equipment. Volunteers don't have to be present for all of the performances.
- Storage for marching band is a problem. Mr. Gresham is investigating the possibility of an out building that would be located just outside the band room.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer's report was read by Lisa Forsman. It was motioned by Mike Dunham and properly seconded by Heather Eustice to approve. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- March-a-thon: Mike Stobaugh reported that the grand total of \$4,418 was pledged for student accounts. Money must be returned by August 24. Students/parents should submit one check, label it and dropped in the locked white box in the band room.
- Rummage Sale: The sale took place August 18. Jennifer Goble thanked everyone for their time and donations. The sale's profit was around \$1100 and the bake sale made a little over \$100.
- Butter Braid fundraiser: Lisa Forsman reported that the profit on the first part of the sale was \$2,297.60. The delivery of the remainder of the sale (order forms were omitted by mistake) is scheduled for Wednesday, August 22 at 3:00 pm.
- Band Fees: Lisa Forsman reported that some students still owed band fees and encouraged everyone to get those taken care of.
- Band Camp: Mr. Empey thanked Angie Becker and Adriana Bryan for their work. The weather was good. Angie Becker thanks everyone for the supplies and help.

New Business & Upcoming Events

- Annual Fall Raffle: Jennifer Goble reported that the raffle tickets were handed out last Tuesday and Thursday. Prized are the same as last year. Four early bird drawings for \$100 each will take place on October 12. The final drawing for \$1000, \$500, \$400 and \$250 will take place at the concert in December. Jennifer is hoping to set up a table at Kroger and Presley's. She is also looking for people to sell tickets at the home games and the competition.
- Mum Sale: Angie Thompson handed out the forms for this year's sale. The sale ends September 10th.
 \$2.00 from each plant sold goes into the students' accounts. Angie is looking for volunteers to help sort the plants on September 14.
- September competitions: Parents should be sure to send money with the kids for food. At the college competitions, we provide a tailgate meal. Competitions are a school function and the students travel with the group. Students need written permission to travel home separately (with parents). Competition days are long, send enough money and clothing for the day.
- Scrip: Terry Miller explained the ins and outs of using Scrip gift cards to earn money for students' accounts and the band's general fund. She handed out forms to help people set up their accounts and reminded that payment is made directly from checking or savings accounts. There are over 500 retailers associated with Scrip. There are also ScripNow electronic gift cards that are available—no need to wait for the weekly order. Terry will place orders early in the week with delivery of the cards made by Thursday or Friday of the same week.
- Fundraiser schedule: The raffle and Mums are the current fundraisers. Christmas Greenery orders will be taken in October. Scrip, like the Kroger card, will run all year.

Current Business

- 2012 LCHS Marching Rockets Field Competition (September 22, 2012): Stephen Cordes reported that last year we had 10 bands and made around \$5500 profit. This year there are 17 bands and twice the number of students. There was a sign up sheet at the meeting and people can also go to the band website to find information on helping.
- Disney Trip Spring Break 2013: The trip takes place April 1-5. On September 1, the first payments are due. Once we get the first payments in, we'll know who is going and what the final cost will be.
 Mr. Empey talked about chaperones—people need to volunteer and the number of chaperones will be based on how many are needed. Final cost is based on how many people there are in each coach. Payments for the trip are non-refundable.
- Uniforms committee: Kim Dunham reported that the uniforms have been sorted and organized, the kids have been fitted and the aim is to have the kids in uniform for Friday's performance. The students are required to wear long black dress socks. No jewelry should be worn. Gloves and shoes need to be at school. We are looking for help to get the kids in uniform for games and competitions. Email Kim Dunham or Monica Martinie if you want to help.
- Equipment/Travel logistics committee: Mike Dunham reported that we have a lot of props and equipment and have added a third trailer to haul it all in. He asked for volunteers to pull trailers and asked for help with pit crews. Please let Mike know if you want to help. So far, there have been 300 band dad hours used in making the props and Mike thanked everyone for their help.
- Food & Drink committee: Adriana Bryan spoke about providing food at the university competitions. If you want to help by donating for or snacks, sign up or contact Adriana. She will call people to let them know what is needed.

Questions & Answers: Mr. Empey encouraged everyone to come out to the performances.

Adjourn: It was motioned by Rick Becker and properly seconded by Darrin Rendleman to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Motion carried.

Next meeting is September 17, 2012 @ 7p.m. - LCHS café - See you then!