

Limestone Community High School Band Booster Meeting

January 20, 2014

The regular meeting of the LCHS Band Boosters was called to order at 7:05 p.m. on Monday January 20, 2014, in Bartonville, Illinois by Jennifer Goble, president presiding.

Officers present: Jennifer Goble, president; Terry Miller, vice president; Kim Dunham, treasurer; Barb Richmond, secretary.

Members present: John Richmond, Mike Dunham, Jim Towle, Meredith Caho, David Miller, Michelle Jewell, Heid Jo Wys, Jim Simmons, Jeanie Towle, Angie Perry, Rich Becker, Julie Simmons, Brian Austin, Micki Jackson, Stephen Cordes, Lisa Forsman, Troy Carey, Lanell Tjaden-Huber.

Approval of minutes: Minutes were read and approved. Motion was made by Michelle Jewell and properly seconded by David Miller. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

- Alan Walker spoke about Winter Guard. He encouraged parents to come to practices and observe the group—they will appreciate playing to an audience. This is the best group he has worked with on the high school level. The LCHS school calendar is where to find the guard's schedule. Winter Guard will be going to WGI this year. Feb 15 is the regional in St. Louis and WGI is April 2-5 in Dayton, OH. This year the group will take part in 8 competitions: 5 circuit contests, circuit championships, a WGI regional and WGI. Alan thanked Stevie, Andy & Kim for their support. Seniors are going to visit the grade schools to work with interested students. The students are rehearsing 8-12 hours each week.
- Concert season is off to a strong start. Mr. Empey explained what kind of practice was expected.
- Jazz band is doing well and is figuring out a way to allow all interested students involved.
- Jazz band activities include: Mid-Illinois, February 7 at Dunlap HS, concert 2:30 pm. Feb 21, Elmhurst Jazz Festival, Feb 22, Rolling Meadows Jazz. We are still checking on travel arrangements—hotel, bus, etc. Feb 25 is the Bradley Jazz Festival, during the day.
- Austin Dunaway is playing first trumpet in the IMEA Honors Jazz Band. Congratulations, Austin!
- Pep band will play January 30 & 31.
- This year's grade school tour dates are Feb 5 & 19. Winter Guard, Marching Band, Choir & ROTC are participating.
- Updated band policies: Mr. Empey is going with what other schools do and appoint the drum major from now on. Section leaders will also be appointed. He is deciding on whether to have section leaders as we have in the past. Some area bands have stopped using them. Auditions for concert bands will be in April/May, so students can register appropriately for classes. Outstanding incoming freshmen & others will be considered for Wind Ensemble in the fall.
- September 27, 2014 is the date for the Limestone Marching Rockets Field Competition.
- Next year we will attend the Bands of America Regional competition, Oct 24-25 in Indianapolis, thus wrapping up marching season in October.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer's report was read by Kim Dunham. It was motioned by David Miller and properly seconded by Lisa Forsman to approve. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Madrigal Coat Check: Barb Richmond reported that the coat check took in \$518.42.

Current Business

- Nominations for 2014 Band Booster Officers (Elections are February 17, 2014): Jennifer Goble opened the floor for nominations. The results are:
Assistant Treasurer (1 year, then 1 year as treasurer), Lisa Forman, nominated Heidi Jo Wys.
Vice president (1 year, then 1 year as president), Rich Becker nominated Jeanie Towle.
Treasurer (1 year) Mike Dunham nominated Angie Perry.
Secretary (2 years) David Miller nominated Micki Jackson.
- Stompin' at the Savoy (March 15, 2014: Andy spoke with Kitty Belsly about her class catering the event. The boosters will do the decorating. The class will charge the cost of the food + 75%. Tom Fahey will again pay for the round table rental. We need a coordinator for decorating. Michelle Jewell is heading the silent auction and made a plea for baskets---and donations to go in them. She has a letter/which includes a thank you for businesses/individuals who donate.
- Scrip: Terry Miller reported that in December we have 8 families taking part, making \$148 in rebates. In January we had 3 new families sign up, for this month, so far, \$76. Remember that extended family and friends can participate.
- 50/50 Ticket sales: Jennifer Goble thanked Barb & John Richmond, Terry & David Miller, Brian Mullins, Micki Jackson for their help staffing the tables. We have fun. We are selling at girls' games also.

New Business & Upcoming Events

- 8th Grade Preview Night- February 5: Some students & boosters will man the table. We'll have a video and a flyer. Barb Richmond requested that we make a push to get incoming students' mailing addresses.
- Aluminum recycling: David Miller reported that the band dads may come up with a solution—build our own trailer.
- Fundraiser Committee Review Meeting: We discussed this at the November meeting. Several volunteered to get together. We'll meet after this meeting to find a date to get together.

Questions & Answers:

Adjourn: It was motioned by Michelle Jewell and properly seconded by Stephen Cordes to adjourn at 8:06 p.m. Motion carried.

Next meeting February 17, 2014 @ 7p.m. - LCHS café