

Methacton Music Boosters Board Meeting May 13, 2008 Revised

Attendees: Diane Kolessar, Ellen Hromada, Bob Whiteside, Carol Mirynowski, Dave Markley, Evelyn Whiteside, Robin Spearot

Secretary's Report

- Minutes of last meeting was approved by Bob Whiteside and seconded by Diane Kolessar.

Treasurer's Report

- Spring Trip expenses are lower than expected; so, the Music Booster's contribution will be less than expected.
- Still expecting money from the elementary schools to cover costs for the Hershey trip.
- We are significantly short (approximately \$690) due to the Indoor Guard Wildwood trip. Bob Whiteside will work with Jeff Choice to reconcile this account.
- The Music Banquet was successful. The income covered expenses
- Motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Dave Markley and seconded by Ellen Hromada.

First Vice President's Report

- We need to determine who will fill the vice president position next year. Dave Markley will provide information regarding the number of chaperones and prop helpers needed for next year's music season. He will also pass on the information on ordering the marching band T-shirts.

Second Vice President's Report

No report.

Co-President's Report

We will need to work on finding candidate(s) to fill the vice president position for next year.

Discussions are ongoing with several individuals who may be interested in handling the concession stand next year.

The next meeting of the boosters will be a general meeting to be held prior to Video Night on Tuesday, June 3, 2008.

Ways and Means

- Beef and Beer Event – a deposit was made to Worcester Golf Club for our event on Saturday, August 16. The maximum number of people is 120. The cost is \$18.95 per person for the catering. Steve Pumilia has recommended a band for the evening with a fee of \$600. Steve will donate \$200 towards the band's cost leaving a net due of \$400. Based upon these costs it is felt that the Boosters could realize income of about \$1,000 on ticket sales. Additional money will come from raffles, auctions, etc. A motion to hire the band that Steve recommended was made by Diane Kolessar and seconded by Bob Whiteside. Diane Kolessar will speak with Bret Mascaro as to whether the Boosters could add a save the date notice to the senior booklets distributed at the music concert on May 19. Copies of a notice will be given to the music directors to distribute to students to take home before the end of school year. We will ask the Home and School Association to post the notice, and we will post the notice on the Booster web site. It was decided that we would offer a reserved table to any group purchasing 8 tickets. Bob Whiteside will print the tickets for the event so that we can begin selling them as soon as possible. Only adults aged 21 and older will be permitted to attend the event.
- Car wash - The car wash held on May 10 did not go well – earnings were \$20. The car wash was shut down at noon as there were few students and few customers. The next car wash is scheduled for Saturday, August 16. There are no others scheduled at this time. We will need to find a chairperson to handle future car washes.
- Grocery receipts – a chairperson is needed for next year – Dave will organize information for the continuity book.
- Hoagies – More discussion is needed as to whether to hold future hoagie sales.
- Marching Band Outdoor Show – We will need to have a mandatory marching band parent meeting during the second week of band camp in August to discuss the organization of the outdoor show, determine what needs to be done to and ask for volunteers to handle the various functions needed. The meeting will be announced at the general Booster meeting on June 3.
- Market Day – a chairperson is needed for next year. An invitation will be extended to possible volunteers to attend a booster meeting to give info re: what is involved in running this fundraiser
- Recycled cartridges – a chairperson is needed for next year – Dave will organize information for the continuity book.

Directors' Reports

Bret Mascaro spoke about the recent Spring Trip to Boston. He felt that aside from a few problems, such as truck vandalism and cancelled dinners, the trip was a success. The students won many top honors in their competitions and enjoyed the other activities (harbor cruise, Boston tour, The Blue Man group, etc). He felt that the most important award that they won was the Esprit de Cour award for good conduct and sportsmanship.

Brian Leonard submitted his budgets for the marching band, indoor percussion and indoor guard. He felt that the actual expenses would be lower than what is shown on the budget. Brian spoke about the marching band competition in Annapolis, MD in November. The band performs on a Friday and he would like the group to also participate in a competition on Sunday to celebrate the USSBA's anniversary. He would like to make this a weekend trip and will look into the expenses to determine whether the trip is feasible. Brian plans on advising the students and parents about the trip at the marching band organizational meeting in early June. Brian would also like to schedule a trip to Dayton next spring for the indoor percussion group. He feels that they have improved greatly and could do well in the competition.

Bob Whiteside expressed concern that the cost of a weekend trip to Annapolis may be excessive for the students. The board agreed that we would not want any student to be barred from participating in the marching band because they could not afford the trip. Diane Kolessar will discuss this with Bret Mascaró.

A motion to adjourn meeting was made by Bob Whiteside and seconded by Dave Markley.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

The next meeting will be held on June 3, 2008 at 6:30 at Methacton High School.

Respectfully submitted by
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