

IHS MUSIC BOOSTER MEETING

August 13, 2014 – IHS Library – 7:00 pm

Attendees:

Marcia Abbadini, Rhonda DeFini, Mary Dolansky, James Halamek, Heidi Lisowski, Diana Manocchio, Barb Mowrer, Kelly Savastano, Rita Silvestro, Lina Soo, Marian Streibel, Janis Kundmueller, Grace Hudnall, Lisa Bender-Becker, Catherine Sagi, Teresa Wisniewski, and Maureen Mroczynski.

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm. The agenda was distributed & is posted on the website. Meeting minutes were emailed to attendees and hard copies available. Lina motioned to approve; Barb seconded; All approved.

Correspondence (Marcia)

- A thank you note was received from Mrs. Slivka for the contribution to St. Jude's in memory of her husband.
- A thank you note was also received from Independence Stadium Foundation for receipt of our second donation made to the Turf the Field project.

Treasurer's Report (Jim)

Jim distributed a monthly report on the account status. He noted the following:

- Still waiting for bill for cymbals from Matt. Received bill for vocal instruments, which has been paid

Committee Reports:

- Basketball Tournament Concessions (Maureen Mroczynski) – Concessions for Travel Basketball League at Field House scheduled to start Sunday, Oct. 12 – Nov. 16 (6 Sundays). First game starts at 9am and event ends at 3pm. Half of profits go to Florida trip. SignupGenius will be used schedule volunteers but do not sign up yet
- Volunteer Coordinator (Barb Mowrer) – Volunteers are still needed to help with Vocal Ensemble uniform fitting on Mon., Aug. 25th. Fittings will likely take more than 1 day.
- Home Days recap – Jim Halamek distributed booth totals (income and expenses) for current and prior year
 - ❖ Pop Booth (Lina Soo)/Water Booth (Rita Silvestro)
 - Pop booth was overstaffed with parents and students.
 - It was helpful having separate leaders for pop booth (Lina Soo) and water booth (Rita Silvestro). Two shift leaders also assisted with the pop booth (Lisa Bender-Becker and Tracee Zubic), which helped to keep things running smoothly.
 - Consider not having a water booth next year – not a lot of traffic (more traffic in prior years due to close proximity of dunk booth in those years), profits were small even though we were not charged for 10 cases.
 - Consider selling Gatorade next year (many requests for it). Sales of Diet Dr. Pepper were good (new item this yr.)
 - Next year bring a fan for the pop booth (hot under tent).
 - Areas for improvement:
 - Do not allow friends of student volunteers to congregate at the booth (customers go elsewhere because line looks long)
 - Only student volunteers should be permitted in booth (no non-band/vocal students)
 - Do not permit students to throw ice (hazard and potential liability if someone slips/falls)

- ❖ Wristbands (Mary Dolansky, Chris Grande, Marie Nemeth, Mike Heldwein)
 - Hot in booths because A/C was not working.
 - Lost \$2 profit/band due to incorrect pricing by amusement co. (should have been priced at \$12 instead of \$10). Have not received income results
 - City of Independence will inform us of the dollar amount
- ❖ Pretzel/Shaved Ice (Maureen Mroczynski/Mowrer/Manocchio)
 - Booth did well and was adequately staffed
 - Need to establish cost of shaved ice booth prior to Home Days (charged \$700 in current year, but only \$500 in prior years).
 - Revenues were higher in current year, but overall profits were lower due to higher charge.
- Photo buttons (Maureen Mroczynski/Mary Dolansky/Marcia Abbadini) – no senior group button (too many students to fit on one button). Picture valued at \$2 will be given instead of button (most likely a 5”X7”). Process of taking pictures & collection money was very chaotic. Options to consider to run more smoothly in the future include having students fill out a separate form for group shots and collecting money/forms inside the building prior to the students going outside for their pictures.
- Uniform Fittings (Mowrer/Manocchio) – Need to make sure the uniform fits properly rather than just asking the student. Students need to look at their band raincoats and, if they are dirty, they need to bring them home and wash them. Raincoats can be machine-washed, gentle cycle, then hang dry.

Old Business:

- Band Camp Hospitality – Thanks to those who baked. It went well.
- SignupGenius feedback – Need to communicate a deadline for signups
- Thank you to all volunteers helping with uniform fittings, bakery, chaperoning, photo buttons, Home Days, bagging of ice – Rita Glover for use of garage
- Sign up for Band’s **Remind 101 service** – To receive messages via text, dial 216-220-6842 and text @indband. You can opt out of messages at any time by replying “unsubscribe@indband”. It was noted that a text was sent on 8/12 stating that the band was approved to march on 4/6/15 at the Magic Kingdom. However, clarification is needed because 4/6/15 is the Monday after Easter and scheduled as a travel day on the itinerary.

New Business:

- Need helpers to fit vocal uniforms during class 11:15 am – 12:30 during week of 8/25 until finished – see notes in committee reports section above
- Alumni Field Grand Opening Event on Sun., 8/24– Band has been asked to play. The event runs from 5:30 – 8:00. They will play the National Anthem, and some additional songs between 6:30 -7:30. Dress will be polo and jeans. Students will be receiving more information this evening or next week.
- Cleveland Indians Parade of Bands on Wed., 9/24 – Lina Soo is interested in chartering a parent bus. Stay tuned for details
- Parent Bus for 10/13 game – Game is about 3 hours away. Natalie Buc contacted Marcia to let her know that Rick Casentini (football parent) is looking into chartering a bus to take parents to the game. Cost is estimated at \$25/seat, but may be more depending on how many parents sign up. Cost is only for transportation and does not include admission to the game. Interested parents are asked to contact Rick Casentini (e-mail is RCasen@aol.com)
- Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 10 at 6:30 in the IHS Library.

Motion to adjourn by Mary Dolansky; seconded by Lina Soo. Meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm.

Dates to Remember:

August 24 – Turf Field Grand Opening – 5:30-8 pm

August 29 – Football seasons begins – Columbia – Home (Band report times announced at each Wed. rehearsal)

September 1 - Deadline for Nov/Dec Spotlight

September 5 – Brookfield - **Home**

September 8 – COUPON BOOK SALE BEGINS (Music Department Fundraiser)

September 10 – Music Booster Meeting – HS Library - 6:30

September 12 – Lutheran West – **Away**

September 19 – Richmond Heights – **Homecoming & Alumni Band**

September 24 – Cleveland Indians Parade of Bands

September 26 – Fairport Harding - **Home**

September 28 – Marching Band Performs at Fall Fest - 11:30 am

September – Vocal Ensemble Kiwanis Performance – Civic Center – Time TBA

**Music Booster Meeting Schedule
2014-2015 School Year**

Date	Time	Location
September 10	6:30 pm	IHS Media Center
October 8	6:30 pm	IHS Media Center
November 12	6:30 pm	IHS Media Center
December 10	6:30 pm	IHS Media Center
January 7	6:30 pm	IHS Media Center
February 11	6:30 pm	IHS Media Center
March 11	6:30 pm	IHS Media Center
April 23 (Thurs)	6:30 pm	IHS Media Center

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 10th at 6:30pm at the High School.