

**Millard West Band Boosters  
Minutes  
April 18, 2011**

Call to order -- 7:00 pm by President, Sue Bruening in the band room

**Attendance:**

Those in attendance included: Pam Gaare, Sue Milius, Karolyn Allen, Connie Van Blair, Tracy & Mark Neidig, Rick & Mitzi Magsam, Carla & Jim Farley, Tom Schenkelberg, John & Amy Gehle, Janice Wright, Linda Nissen, Pam Wendt, Bev Bogatz, Faby Reyes, LaVon Wells, Brooke Erickson, Ed Sondag, Tim Roy, Lynne Vittitoe, David & Anne Skinner, Dan Kurfman, Sue Bruening, John Keith, and Kent Krause.

**Secretary's Report – Karen Collins**

- The secretary's report was emailed to the membership before the meeting
- Rick Magsam motioned to be approved
- Seconded by Connie Van Blair
- Motion approved by membership

**Committee Reports**

- Band Aid - Bev Bogatz
  - No donations this month.
- Uniforms – Sue Milius
  - Help need with uniform distribution and collection for the May 5 concert.
- Concert Receptions – Brooke & Alan Erickson
  - Cookie request going out for the May 5 concert.
- Cans for the band – Tom Schenkelberg
  - The band collected \$70.12 worth of aluminum cans in March.
- CWS Concessions – Mark Neidig
  - At the time of the meeting 11 adults and 2 students have been trained to work concessions at the TD Ameritrade Ball Park.
  - More adults and students are needed. Online training is available through April. Those trained online must also participate in onsite training at a later date.
  - Volunteers from the band must work at least three Creighton games to be eligible to have a stand during the CWS.
  - Mark will send out requests for volunteers for May games.

**Treasurer's Report - Dave Skinner**

- Financial reports were distributed prior to the meeting.
- No significant monetary actions during the last month. The band is in good shape financially at the present time.
- Motion to accept the Treasurer's report by Jim Farley, seconded by Rick Magsam.

Rick Hook, Activities Director at Millard West, spoke to the group regarding the discontinuation of the Winter Formal. Millard Public Schools administration is limiting the number of future school dances across the district. Mr. Hook explained that even though the Winter Formal will no longer take place, he is working to find opportunities to showcase the bands' talents and raise money through other community events. One example he gave was a partnership with Hy-Vee in holding a "mini-carnival" in their parking lot.

### **Old Business**

- Post Prom Decorating – Connie Van Blair
  - Decorating went very well thanks to the organizing efforts of Teresa Kosalka and the rest of the post prom committee.
  
- 2011/2012 Committee Chairs
  - Open positions include:
    - NSBA Competition (Millard North Host)
    - Gold Card Coordinator
    - Post Prom Coordinator
    - Freshman Band Camp – Water Tents

### **New Business**

- March-A-Thon – Karen Collins and Anne Skinner
  - The 2011 March-A-Thon will be held Saturday, August 20.
  - The route is still being determined but it will be no longer than 10K.
  - All water stops will be mobile.
  - The band will perform concerts along the route for \$50 per song.
  - The drum line/other ensembles will perform at Hy-Vee on Saturday, August 13 to promote the event.
  - The committee is looking into providing t-shirts for the students to wear during the March-A-Thon. The idea of finding corporate sponsors to fund the purchase was proposed.
  - Mr. Keith informed the group that the Legacy Shopping center was interested in having the band perform. If possible, the performance could be integrated into the March-A-Thon.

### **Officers for 2011/2012**

- The following Officers and Executive Committee members were elected for the 2011-2012 school year:

President: Sue Bruening  
VP of Fund Raising: Bev Bogatz  
VP of Activities: Mitzi & Rick Magsam  
Secretary: Karen Collins  
Treasurer: Dave Skinner  
Members at Large -  
    Connie VanBlair  
    Tom Schenkelberg  
    Amy Gehle

## **Director's Report – John Keith**

- The District Music Contest was held on April 15-16. The Wind Ensemble had an excellent performance along with many solo and ensemble performances.
- Many events coming up surrounding the end of the school year including:
  - Final Spring Concert – all bands
  - Music Awards Night
  - Swing Dance
- The band recently began listening to music for the 2011 show. The show is entitled “Awakenings” with arrangements by John Mackey.
- The summer rehearsal and fall marching band schedule will be mailed soon. Highlights include:
  - September 17 - Wild Cat Classic
  - September 24 – Bellevue East Competition
  - October 1 – Competition in Columbus, NE
  - October 8 – Dutchman Field Championship (Orange City, IA)
  - October 15 – OMI (Omaha Burke)
  - October 22 – NSBA State Competition (Buell Stadium)
- Unfortunately, the band was not selected for Midwest in Chicago for 2012. However, the opportunity to apply and audition was a valuable learning experience for all involved.

## **Adjournment**

- Jim Farley motioned for adjournment
- Seconded by Rick Magsam
- Motion to adjourn approved by membership

## **Next Meeting:**

Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011 @ 7:00 pm in the Band Room