

Millard West Band Boosters Minutes

February 28, 2011

Call to order -- 7:02pm by President, Sue Bruening in the band room

Attendance:

Those in attendance included: Tracy & Mark Neidig, Tom Schenkelberg, Lynne Vittitoe, Pam Gaare, Karen Collins, Bev & John Bogatz, Ed Sondag, Sue Milius, Darrell Stohs, Connie VanBlair, Sharon Bebout, Teresa Kosalka, John & Amy Gehle, Dan Kurfman, Tracy Keith, Faby Reyes, Greg & Sue Bruening, Linda Nissen, Carla Farley, Billie Parker, Dave Skinner and LaVon Wells.

Secretary's Report - Karen Collins

- The secretary's report was emailed to the membership before the meeting
- Tom Schenkelberg motioned to approve the secretary's report
- Seconded by Darrell Stohs
- Motion approved by membership

Treasurer's Report - Dave Skinner

- We brought in money this past month and didn't really spend any, so that is good.
- We should be about \$7000 ahead at the end of the year.
- Darrell Stohs motioned to approve treasurer's report
- Seconded by Greg Bruening
- Motion approved by membership

Committee Reports

Band Aid – Bev Bogatz

- People are still turning in donations, which is great.

HyVee receipts – Pam Gaare

- Millard West families & friends turned in over \$133,000 in Sept-Dec receipts to HyVee
- We will be receiving \$667.53 from HyVee thanks to this program. They are willing to give up to \$2000, so let's work at it even more next year.

Concessions – Mark Neidig

- We have checked in with the Civic Auditorium, Qwest Center with CWS, and Werner Park. Werner Park needed too big of a commitment for us to be able to fill. Qwest is the best bet at this point, but we will know more in the next month or so.

Old Business

Winter Bash –

- The evening went well and the dance was better attended than last year.
- We made over \$1000, so we will go ahead and host the dance again in 2012 and then make a decision whether to continue hosting it.

Recruiting Concert – Sue Bruening

- Twenty plus parents of 8th graders attended the meeting before the concert to learn more about MW Band Boosters. Next year we need to make sure they all know about this event and can be there if interested.
- Wind Ensemble, Russell and Beadle bands all performed and did a nice job. There were about 85 eighth grade band members performing, but not all will join MW band.

Directory – Dave Skinner for Anne Skinner

- An updated version will be available by mid March.
- Big thank you to Anne for all her hard work on this helpful tool.

2011/2012 Committee Chairs – Sue Bruening

- We are thankful to have many of the volunteer spots already filled for next school year.
- The spots still in need of volunteers for next school year include: Concert receptions, NSBA Coordinator for MW to help MN if they get the bid, Winter Bash, and Water Tents for Freshmen Band Camp the Week of July 18, 2011.
- Please contact Sue if you'd like to work with someone on a current committee, or would like to fill one of these open spots.

New Business

Post Prom Decorating - Teresa Kosalka

- This year is a speedway theme (Las Vegas) and our decorations are ready to go.
- We need volunteers to help set up our area in WildCat 3 on Friday evening, March 25th hopefully at 4 pm and plan to stay to enjoy supper and help the others get set up.

Officers for 2011/2012

- We need to turn in nominations for the different Band Booster officer positions for the next school year. Many of the current officers are willing to fill their same position next year, but if you, or someone you know, want to run for an office, please let Sue know so we can get their name added to the ballot before the next meeting. Offices include: President, VP of Fundraising, VP of Activities, Secretary, Treasurer, and three Members at Large. Nominations were accepted from the floor.

Director's Report – John Keith (with the pepband) *Sue read notes*

- Elkhorn Band Olympics were held on Sat, Feb 19th. We are proud of the freshmen and sophomore students that put in extra work practicing and did an excellent job. We had

numerous solos and small ensembles for this contest. The students were proud to receive the First Place award for Class 1 schools, two outstanding small ensemble awards, and eighteen students received medals for their fine performances.

- Both Jazz Bands performed at the UNO Jazz Festival last week and received Excellent and Superior ratings, and several students received outstanding musicianship awards. Both bands are performing at the Bellevue East Jazz Festival on Mar 12. They will both be giving a concert at MW on Mar 24th and performing at Swing Night on May 13th.
- Color Guard clinics are being held now to raise awareness and raise the comfort level for new potential guard members, and then tryouts will be Mar 16-18th.
- Both Symphonic Band and Concert Band will perform at the Bellevue West Band Festival on Thurs, Mar 31st.
- Wind Ensemble will be participating in the District Music Contest in mid April. Upper grade students need to let Mr. Keith know if they want to perform a solo or ensemble at districts and be willing to practice.
- The directors are busy working on next year's marching show and will be announcing it in a few weeks. They also just applied to participate in a big event during the 2012-2013 school year and hope to be able to announce that in May.
- Pep bands have been doing a great job and will travel to Lincoln later this week to help cheer on the girls' basketball team in the State Tournament. Students need to wear their band polo, bring money for lunch, and bring a wire stand.

Adjournment

- Dave Skinner motioned for adjournment
- Seconded by Billie Parker
- Motion to adjourn approved by membership at 7:38 pm

Upcoming Events:

Honors Recital on Tuesday, March 29th

Next Meeting:

Monday, March 21, 2011 @ 7:00 pm in the Band Room