

Millard West Band Boosters
Minutes
October 17, 2011

Call to order – 7:01 pm by President, Sue Bruening in the band room.

Attendance:

Those in attendance included: Billie Parker, Rose Huffman, John & Amy Gehle, Teresa Kosalka, Judy Katskee, Pam Gaare, Joseph & Gwen Fox, Rick Magsam, Tim Roy, Sharon Bebout, Bev Bogatz, Darrell Stohs, Dave Skinner, Michael & Tamara Allen, LaVon Wells, Janice Wright, Nicole Thomason, Greg & Sue Bruening, Pam Wendt, Linda Nissen, Kim Geiken, Ed Sondag, Faby Reyes, Cheryl Reesman, Connie VanBlair, Lynne Vittitoe, Val & Karen Collins, Tracy & John Keith, and Kent Krause.

Millard Schools Bond Issue – Bev Bogatz

- We will all be receiving ballots in the mail soon. Be sure to vote by Nov 15th
- Bev showed a video explaining all that the bond is to cover within the district

Secretary's Report – Karen Collins

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

Treasurer's Report – Dave Skinner

- Michael Allen motioned to approve the treasurer's report
- Seconded by Rick Magsam
- Motion approved by membership

Committee Reports

Band Aid – Bev Bogatz

- Families can continue to make tax-deductible contributions at any time by turning them in at the band office; can make one payment or pay in installments

Concessions – Joe and Gwen Fox

- Things have been going well working the NightHawk football games
- We've been making \$35 per person, plus tips. This Friday is their last game and we will make \$80 per worker, up to four workers.
- We generally work about 5-10 pm and it is fun, easy work on the 30 yard line

Cans for the Band – Sue spoke for Tom Schenkelberg

- Each month they work to fill up the trailer with donated pop cans – so keep them coming!
- They donated all the cans from MW homecoming dance, so that was good

HyVee Receipts – Pam Gaare

- We will take any receipts from Sept 1 – Dec 31, 2011
- We've made \$95 so far
- Leave them in the box at the store or have kids turn them in to Bev.
- Be sure to leave the date on the bottom (and just blacken out your name) in order to be counted

Uniforms – Nicole Thomason

- Thank you to all the great volunteers that have been helping with games & contests.
- It's been going very smoothly.

- We still need help with uniform check ins/outs the rest of the year for concerts, so keep signing up!

Pit Crew – Darrell Stohs

- A big thank you to all the volunteers that have been helping to get equipment on & off the fields for all the football games and competitions!

Chaperones – Faby Reyes and Lynne Vittitoe

- The parents have been doing a great job helping with the competitions. Thank you!

Wildcat Classic – Lynne Vittitoe

- Thank you to everyone who helped to make the day go so smoothly.
- We made \$2500 on the event and hope to make even more next year!

Tailgate – Kim and Steve Geiken

- We served pizza pies to 432 people and received lots of positive comments.
- We made over \$1200 thanks to the help of many fabulous volunteers.

NSBA Competition – Amy Gehle

- All three of the Millard high schools need to do their part to help the day run smoothly,
- Please sign up to help, if you haven't already. Freshmen parents are especially appreciated! Parents from the 3 schools can tag team so you can do a job and won't miss our schools performance.

Senior Night – Lori Stohs

- The evening went very smoothly thanks to all the great helpers.
- The pictures will be coming up on the iCat photo site soon.

NSBA Decorating – Teresa Kosalka

- We will decorate the band hallway at 7 pm Thursday night before the state competition while the kids are practicing outside. They have lots of great pictures and posters.
- Seeing the band hallway all decorated gets the kids all fired up for the state competition!

End of Season Celebration – Billie Parker

- Dave Skinner is working on a video about the seniors and marching season to show in the auditorium after the celebration in the commons on Monday, October 24th at 7 pm.
- Billie will make up special senior pictures to decorate the tables.
- She has ordered a cake and will be here 5ish on Monday to set up.

Old Business

Buzz Book / Band Directory – Anne Skinner

- Everyone should have received the draft copy recently via email.
- The final copy for this season should be emailed to everyone shortly.

NSBA Program Ads – Pam Gaare

- They sold over \$2000 worth of ads.
- Programs are at the printer and will be ready for Saturday.

New Business

Fundraising Opportunity – Karen Collins

- We have an opportunity to sell boxes of 30 embellished greeting cards for \$30 per box.
- As long as we sell 15 or more boxes, we will make \$13 per box
- If each band student sells one box, we will make over \$2000. We can make a lot of money on this fundraiser without a lot of work.
- We would do the event from Nov 21st through Dec 8th.

- Bev Bogatz motioned that John Keith pursue approval for this fundraiser so we can proceed
- Seconded by Billie Parker
- Motion approved by membership

Dance Team Car decals – Sue

- The dance team is selling Millard West car window decals.
- You can purchase them for band or other groups for \$10-15 each.

Directors Reports – Kent Krause/John Keith:

Past events:

- They are performing at a very, very high level and we are very proud of their performances. It has been a great season:
- At Bellevue East, we placed 1st and received many of the caption awards.
- In Columbus, we placed 1st and received some of the caption awards.
- In Orange City, IA we once again placed 2nd overall, and received some caption awards.
- At OMI at Burke, we placed 2nd and are striving for an even better performance at State this weekend.
- Throughout the competitions, we have received every one of the possible caption awards at least one time! Very impressive!
- All-State auditions went very well and we should know soon how everyone did. We had over 41 students audition, which was our most ever!
- The freshmen performed their halftime show at the last home football game of the season. They were very nervous, but with lots of upper-classmen support, did great! Mr. Roeder was in charge of their performance and did great too.

Upcoming Events

- The kids are excited about the NSBA State Competition this weekend and will work to do their very best possible. As one of the “host schools” we compete late – 8:45.
- Auditions for the three concert bands will take place next week.
- Shortly after that, they will have auditions for jazz band
- Pep bands perform at all the home basketball games and students are assigned to either the Black or Green Pep Band. They can come to all they want to, but must come to the ones they are assigned to.

Mr. Keith spoke about the role of the parents.

The meeting adjourned after 8pm with a motion by Lynne Vittitoe, and second by Darrell Stohs.

Next meeting will be Monday, November 21st at 7 pm in the band room.