

Millard West Band Boosters
Minutes
October 19, 2009

Call to order – 7:00 pm

Introductions

Attending: Kim Geiken; Judy Katska; Karen Collins; Jeri Gill; Naomi Hodgson; Lorrie Kurfman; Jean Hathhorn; Brooke Erickson; Ed Sondag; Sharon Astwood; Jim & Sharon West; Helen Hoechner; Teresa Kosalka; Greg Bruening; Connie VanBlair; Jim & Carla Farley; Darrell Stohs; Bev Bogatz; Pam Wendt; Billie Parker; LaVon Wells; Greg Bowzer; Dan Kurfman.

Secretary's Report – Karen Collins filling in for Krista tonight.

Jim Farley motioned to approve the minutes from the September meeting, second by Jeri Gill. Motion approved by membership.

Treasurer's Report – Naomi Hodgson

We need full participation in Cans for the Band and Hy-Vee receipts fundraisers. These are easy, free fundraisers for the band and we need the revenue. Cans for the Band income up for the month of October. We have saved some money by not using all the Charter busses we budgeted for. Darrell Stohs motioned to approve, second by Jim Farley. Motion approved by the membership.

Committee Reports

We have a VP – Activities, Dave and Anne Skinner have agreed to fill this position and have been approved by the Executive Committee.

Volunteers-

- Uniforms – we are fully covered

Band-Aid – Bev Bogatz

- Still receiving money. Especially from freshman parents. Bev had a table at the Concert band concert. This was a good use of time.
- Reminder emails were sent out to families that are making payments.

Cans for the Band

- Going well, had a good month and we need to continue full participation

Senior Night

- Thursday, 10/22/09 at half-time of the football game. Rashelle Fenger is coordinating. We have 33 seniors, parents are to meet on the track when there are 8 minutes left in the half, their picture will be taken with their senior.

NSBA Decorating

- Each year before the state competition we decorate the band hallway
- We are gathering at 7 pm on Wednesday, 10/21 to decorate
- Bring posters, balloons, streamers, etc
- Posters are being made ahead of time to speed the decoration time. We still have a few sections that need posters. See Lorrie after the meeting if you can make a poster.
- Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to make posters for this!!
- The band competes Saturday at 4:45 at Burke High School

End of Season Celebration

- Rashelle Fenger is coordinating. She and the committee have everything together and planned.
- We are having cookies, lemonade and punch, the drum majors will give their superlative awards. Awards come from Goodwill.
- We will be doing the raffle drawing that night!!

Winter Formal

- Connie VanBlair and Brooke Erickson are coordinating
- January 30, 2010; 8 to 11 pm
- No DJ this year, cost is \$4000.00 up from previous years. We only had 400 students last year. There were 1,700 at Homecoming.
- We are going to have a live band this year. Cost - \$2000.00 At this time the band "The Labels" has been reserved.
- We need the students and boosters to talk it up to non-band families
- There will be very few decorations this year. We will plan to set up on Saturday only.

TORP

- Carla Farley – trip coordinator
- 73 days until the trip!!!
- We have secured a charter flight and all the kids will fly together. The cost is \$11.00 more per student. Plan is to cover the cost from general TORP fund.
- Because of the charter, the students will have almost one extra day in California, it will be a beach day. Late breakfast, beach and directly to the airport. It's too cold to swim, the kids will fly home in their beach clothes.
- Rose parade souvenir form coming home next week. Anyone can order pins, t-shirts etc. Very affordable and great to have as souvenirs. The kids may want to order extra pins for swapping with other schools at the TORP. These items make great Christmas gifts.
- We won't know until mid-November where we stand with all the individual accounts. Final payments need to be made and refunds will be given after accounts are reconciled for all fundraising.
- Trip insurance available for \$50 per student from GMT

- For parade tickets go to sharpseating.com

Concert Band Concert

- Last Monday evening, they did a great job. Lots of upcoming talent!

Concert Band Season

- Kids have their audition music for chair placement for concert season. Auditions will begin right after marching season.

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 by Teresa Kosalka, second by Billie Parker.