

Millard West Band Boosters
Minutes: November 19, 2018

1. Call to order:
 - a. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 by Jason DeLong, in the band room.
 - b. All parents of 9-12th grade band members are automatically part of the Millard West Band Boosters group, and are encouraged to attend meetings to keep up to date on band activities. .Adults in attendance at this meeting included: Jenny Schlosser, Jason DeLong, Erin Ward, Elissa Hamill, Brad & Trish Durbin, John Skrabal, Chris Dorrell, Thad & Anna Maroon, Debbie Hart, Eric & Kendra Grelson, Chris & Teri Cain, Janice Kolomaya, and Patty Russell.

2. Secretary's report: Jenny Schlosser
 - a. The minutes from the October meeting were shared via email with the membership.
 - b. Elissa Hamill moved that we accept the Secretary's Report, and Chris Dorrell seconded. The minutes were approved by the membership.

3. Treasurer's Report: Debbie Hart
 - a. Debbie reviewed the current expenses and deposits.
 - b. We are staying on budget, and moving ahead as expected.
 - c. Jason DeLong will send out a BandAid reminder, and the PayPal link on the website now works.
 - d. Eric Grelson moved that we accept the Treasurer's Report, and Erin Ward seconded. The Treasurer's Report was approved by the membership.

4. Committee Reports
 - a. Fundraising/Band Aid:
 - i. Linda Kaster has resigned from this position.
 - ii. Brad Durbin will take on this position.
 - iii. Suggestion to have Amazon Smile up and running this week for holiday sales.
 - b. CWS:
 - i. Nicky Yager has resigned as coordinator.
 - ii. Need to fill this position ASAP. Meetings with Levy begin soon.
 - c. Pizza Hut: Lora Thompson
 - i. Have had 2 pizza nights so far.
 - ii. Will always be on a Thursday night.
 - d. Baker's Plus: Debbie Hart
 - i. Nothing to update.
 - e. TAGG: Kendra Grelson
 - i. Will send out or post a reminder about TAGG and where to use it.
 - f. Chick-fil-a: no report
 - g. HyVee Coupon Books: Jill Savoie
 - i. Sold 869 coupon books.
 - ii. HyVee was pleased with this amount and will decrease the amount they charge us per book to \$2, so each student will now make \$8 per book sold.
 - h. Jr Wildcat Band: Jenny Schlosser, Erin Ward, Elissa Hamill
 - i. Next event: Basketball pep bands for 8th graders: Beadle Jan 25, Russell Feb 8.
 - ii. Updating incoming freshman parent meeting for Jan 22.
 - i. Marketing/donations: Elissa Hamill
 - i. Would like a wish list of items the band wants/needs.
 - ii. Fundraiser suggestion: open rehearsal at a mall ("play-a-thon")

- j. Travel: John Skrabal
 - i. Has created a gmail address to use for Hawaii trip updates for only those participating.
 - ii. Fundraisers:
 - 1. Cookie dough is wrapping up
 - 2. Looking into spring plant sales
 - 3. Looking into selling Hawaiian items like coffee, nuts
 - 4. Possible mattress fundraiser. Blair & Bellevue West do these and are successful. No risk and high profit. Just need to provide the space to sell and promote the sale.
5. Old Business
- a. Open volunteer positions: Band Camp Celebration Coordinator for 2019
6. New Business
- a. Need CWS coordinator chair
 - b. January incoming Freshman parent meeting is Jan 22- JR Wildcat Band is updating materials.
 - c. Looking into thank you gifts for retiring staff.
7. Director's Report: John Keith
- a. Winter Winds up and running. They practice Mondays and Thursdays. Saturdays in December.
 - b. Winter Guard audition were held. 14 varsity, 9 JV.
 - c. Jazz Band: need 2 more trumpets before they can start.
 - d. Adam Larsen (jazz performer) will be in town March 27-28. Looking into possible clinic with him and performance at March 28 jazz concert
 - e. Concert groups up and running. (Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Symphonic Winds)
 - f. Pep Band lists will be posted after Thanksgiving.
 - g. 2 Band members were part of the All State Orchestra: Alex Hoffman on trombone and Zoe Lindquist on oboe. (Luke Skrabal also played his violin in the Orchestra).
 - h. Bought a new trailer using activity funds.
 - i. Have spent \$20,000 on renting trucks and transportation
 - ii. This trailer was \$9000, and is owned by the district. Therefore they will pay title and insurance.
 - iii. Intended to replace one of the big trucks next fall.
 - iv. Need a parent with a BIG truck to pull. (24 feet long)
 - v. Hoping to store it by the new turf.
 - vi. Will look into artwork for it in next year's budget.
 - i. It is our time for new uniforms!
 - i. Looking into different styles and designs
 - ii. Might not get in time for 2019 season.
 - iii. Some new styles have a row of buttons in the cuffs and pants to take the place of sewing hems!
 - j. The directors are still hoping to attend a clinic in Chicago in December. Thank you to the Boosters for providing them this opportunity.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm with a motion by Elissa Hamill, and seconded by John Skrabal.

The next meeting is Monday, **January 14, 2019** in the band room unless otherwise posted.

***** NO DECEMBER MEETING DUE TO CHOIR CONCERT CONFLICT *****

Upcoming dates:

Dec 13: Holiday Band Concert

Jan 22: Recruiting Concert