

STARR'S MILL HIGH BAND BOOSTERS MINUTES OF AUG. 21, 2007

President Ann Ferree called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The SMHS Band Booster officers were introduced.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT- Mr. King announced a change in the marching band rehearsal schedule. The Thursday, August 23 rehearsal has been moved to 6:30-9 p.m. due to the continuing heat. The marching band has been invited to the Tournament of Champions Invitational Competition at Western Carolina University. The group will leave at 4 p.m. on Oct. 12 and return Oct. 14. The trip will cost \$200/student. The Wind Ensemble has been invited to perform at Carnegie Hall in New York in March 2008. The boosters agreed to the trip to North Carolina. Mr. King asked that parents with questions about either trip contact him by email.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Treasurer Scott Lee presented a summary of the treasurer's report printed on the back of the meeting agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation to Mahaffeys – The SMHS Band Boosters presented the Mahaffey family with gifts collected at this meeting to help them replace kitchen and bath necessities lost in a fire at their home. Mr. Kevin Mahaffey expressed thanks to band families for their support and help since the fire.

Trailer purchase – Vice-President Rick Harrell spoke to the boosters about the need to purchase an equipment trailer for transportation and storage of band equipment. Three bids have been acquired and \$7400 is the best price the committee has found. The trailer will be officially owned and insured by the Fayette County Board of Education. It will be stored at a secured site on school property. Rick made a motion that \$7400 be taken from the booster's general fund to purchase a 25 ft. equipment trailer. The motion was seconded and approved by vote of all boosters present.

Presentation to Dr. Poor – The SMHS Band Boosters presented Dr. Poor with a gift of two camellia bushes to plant in his yard in memory of his mother, who passed away in May. Dr. Poor thanked everyone for the expressions of concern and sympathy he received from band families.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CONCESSIONS – Concessions Chair Ken Black introduced himself and asked all parents to volunteer at the concession stands during football season. Sign-up sheets were available at the meeting. Ken introduced committee members Mary Beth Eckhardt, Helen and George Psihountas, Laurie Anderson, Debbie Martin, and Vicki Troyer. Tamara Grizzle is in training to manage the visitor's stand next year.

CHAPERONES – Chair Ellie Blalock announced a chaperone training session on Saturday, August 25, from 2-4 p.m. in the bandroom. Kaye Eubanks is serving as Ellie's assistant.

PIT CREW- Keith Haskell is serving as chair and sign-up sheets for volunteers were available at the meeting.

FUNDRAISING- Ann explained the cancellation of the previous Saturday's "waterless car wash". The event was cancelled due to lack of volunteers and the excessive heat. She introduced Mrs. Karon Wilckens as the new fundraising chair. Karon outlined several fundraisers that the band program will participate in this year and asked for parents to volunteer to chair the individual events. Night of Stars will be held on March 29 and Band O'Rama on April 19. Sign-up sheets for all fundraisers were available at the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS – Chair Kathy Rothfusz is sending out the band weekly emails and any other necessary information by email. The band website is www.smhsband.org and is updated frequently. Kathy asked parents to submit information about the band students' awards and honors outside the band program for publication on the website. Parents were asked to urge their children to fill out the band camp survey online.

UNIFORMS – Chair Amanda Lee announced that the marching shoes and gloves have been received and will be distributed soon. New booster shirts will be ordered in a color approved by the booster board that is a closer match to SMHS colors. The purchase cost will be \$25. The order form will be available on the website. Incoming freshman girls may use their concert dresses from RSMS for concert attire at SMHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Concert Fees are due Friday, August 24. Assistant Treasurer Cynthia Wolter was present to accept payments.
- Parents were reminded to check the band website for all details relating to the Dome game. Reporting time will be 9 a.m. Leigh Ann Hanie had tickets to the game available for sale.
- Sign-up sheets for the Spirit Committee were available at the meeting. A chairperson is also still needed for the Corporate Sponsorship Committee.
- Dates for upcoming events are listed on the booster meeting agenda and can also be found on the calendar on the website.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.