

James River High School Band Boosters

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Band Booster Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2015 6:36 pm

Those in attendance: Jerry Espigh, Mary Berghuis, John Berghuis, Suzanne Miladin, Anne Trotta, Lisa O'Keefe, Julie Larro, Jon McFall, Barbara Espigh, Faith Trent, Dwight Trent, Steve Fischer, Damien Dames, Justin Turpin.

1. Presidents Welcome: Jerry Espigh thanked everyone for coming.
2. Minutes from December 7, 2015 & January 11, 2016: The minutes were reviewed. Mary Berghuis motioned to approve the minutes, Damien Dames seconded the motion.
3. Fundraising: Anne Trotta
 - A. Restaurant Fundraising-
 - Applebee's- Applebees breakfast fundraiser date has changed to March 5 because of the snow storm on January 23 when it was originally scheduled. 71 tickets have been sold so far. Tickets will be for sale at the Pre Assessment concert on February 23.
 - Chik-fil-a- Fundraiser is scheduled for Monday, February 29 from 5-8 pm. This is the location next to Lowes. Drive through can be utilized also. No tickets are needed, customers just mention James River Band when ordering.
 - River City Diner- Fundraiser is scheduled for March 21. Anne is waiting for them to confirm the date.
 - B. Other Fundraisers
 - Mother's Day Flowers- Looking at joining Chorus since they put on a similar fundraiser with flower baskets last year although they used Great Big Greenhouse and we used Cross Creek. Waiting to see how much profit they made and if it makes sense to join them. Last year we made \$780 profit.
4. Support Services: Steve Fischer
 - a. The quote for new tires for the small trailer is \$258.89 which includes mounting.
 - b. Band Assessment concert- The Band Booster's will rent a box truck from Enterprise or Penske to move our equipment to and from Byrd High School for the assessment. Jon and/or Steve will have it at the school by 1 pm on Friday, March 11. Students will be loading the equipment.
5. Treasurer's Report: Dwight Trent reported Tag Day continues to increase with a Microsoft employer matching donation coming in for \$600. Tag Day revenue is over by \$3,500 and the overall revenue is over by \$3,000. Cash flow is strong and we will have a surplus at the end of the year.

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6. Correspondence: Mary Berghuis reported that Frank Petrov said it would be easier to put the pictures up himself rather than train someone from James River to do it. Minutes will be added to the website soon.
7. Committee Chairperson Reports
 - a. Marching Band Attire- Damien Dames will be ordering four Drum Major jackets.
 - b. Pit Crew- Jon McFall said no report.
 - c. Concessions- Lisa O’Keefe said that the James River La Crosse team does not have enough people to man concessions and would like us to consider operating concessions during April and May of their season.
 - d. Chaperones- La Wanda Woods was absent. Chaperones are needed to ride the bus for the symphonic band coming back from the Assessment concert at LC Bird.
 - e. Hospitality- Julie Larro
 - Pre Assessment Concert Cookie Social- a Sign-Up Genius for cookies will be up soon. Robious Middle school is bringing two bands so that will be four bands in all to provide cookies and water for.
 - Band Banquet- Mr. Turpin would like to invite all the band students to the banquet, not just regiment students. The Boosters have agreed to provide the extra dinner tickets. The theme the seniors decided on this year is “A Formal Candlelit Dinner”.
 - f. Spirit Wear- Steve Fischer reported that the All County Band night shirts will be offered to the next host school for our cost of \$5.75/shirt. There is excess inventory on hand of the misprinted t-shirt (it has pink on it) and of cups.
8. Band Director’s Report: Justin Turpin
 - Tuesday, February 16 at 6:30 pm is the Universal trip meeting. An adult for each student going needs to attend. The orchestra instruments will be rented in Florida.
 - On July 25-28, James River will be hosting a Summer Concert program this year open to students that are currently in grades 6-9. Manchester and Elizabeth Davis Middle will also hold the program at their school. The cost is \$125 for the week and Thursday night there will be a concert. This will be a fund raiser for the school band program.
 - All District Band auditions will now be held on January 7, 2017 for next year. This was voted on by all the band directors in District 3. The date for the All County Band concert will now have to change.
 - Meadowbrook High was able to use James River old concert dresses. Possible to use old marching band uniforms to make keepsake pillows? Damien will check with Vaughan Sawdon to see what the cost would be. This is a possible fundraiser.

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- Possible uses for the \$10,000 coming from the county in 2017 are new garment bags, and/or new color guard uniforms for football games that are warmer and match regiment uniforms. \$20 is the estimate for garment bags that are long enough for the dresses per Barbara Espigh. Brennan Fox had his garment bag dry cleaned along with his tux before he turned it in. Dry Cleaning the garment bag got rid of the terrible odor the bags seem to have. This may be a cheaper option rather than replacing them.
- Bringing in some special band directors to help prepare the bands for Assessments. Money that was not spent on an indoor drumline season is being used for this.

9. Old Business: None

10. New Business:

- A nominating committee will be formed and the nominations for the new board will be voted on at the May 31 banquet.
- A bylaws committee will be formed and there are three specific items that will be considered to change:
 1. Require two signatures on checks.
 2. All officers (including treasurer) will start the new school year on June 1.
 3. Membership fee will not be required.

11. Next Meeting: Monday, March 14 , 2015, 6:30 pm

12. Call to Adjourn:

Steve Fischer motioned to adjourn at 7:50 pm, Dwight Trent seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Miladin, Recording Secretary