

Millard North Band Booster Meeting
7:00 pm, January 24, 2022

Members Present:

Lucy Morrison, Karyn Lawrence, Torri Merten, Ann Blaker, Jay Blaker, Maryah Mason, Pat Potter, Rob Morrow, Patti Morrow, Sheri Cunningham, Ann Leever, Matt Bonham, Lisa McCary-O'Neal, Kris Hill, Heidi Abrahams, Patrice Roth, Wendy Lund, Maureen Kitchen, Traci Eckles, Katie Circo, Mihaela Kobjerowski, Sarah Grobelaar, Craig Mathis

Old Business:

- Big Band Dance - Patrice Roth - would like to have cheesecake for the students at Big Band Dance; need to find a place that would donate it. Need it by May 5 or 6, about 500-600 slices. Lisa McCary-O'Neal will start making some calls. Need someone to draw cut outs.
- Bus Chaperones - Patti Morrow - no new information
- Feed the Band - accepting new volunteers for Feed the Band Committee
- Marketing/Promotions - Lisa McCary-O'Neal - starting sooner than last year to zero in on some new sponsors. We cannot ask Paybac Partners to be sponsors. Lisa is looking for some more new people to join her on this committee to find new sponsors.
- Scholarships - Anna Clausen - Seniors need to apply. The deadline has been pushed back a few days.
- Spirit Committee - Traci Eckles and Heidi Abrahams- looking for ideas and brainstorming how to get kids involved in some spring fundraising.
- Uniforms - Wendy Lund - will need some help for re-fitting for Disney. Sunday before the trip - get the wardrobes ready for kids to bring their uniforms. All students will turn in uniforms at the end of the school year. Katie Circo taking over uniforms in the fall.
- Apparel - Kris Hill; one bin of leftover spirit wear.
- Restaurant Night - Maryah Mason - Union Pizzeria is set for February 22.

- **Directors' Report** - Mr. Mathis
 - Students performed wonderfully at Winter Concert
 - Side By Side Concert went very well. Lots of excited 8th grade parents.
 - Directors would love photos of concert season.
 - Ensemble Auditions for next year sent in to judges
 - Thanks for flexibility with the pep band schedule last week. Back to normal schedule for now!

- Winter Guard - competing for the first time at Bellevue East on January 29.
- Schedule for next year - may return to St. Louis for Bands of America Super Regionals; waiting on approval.
- Orlando prep is going well. Thanks Wendy Lund for her work on this.
- 2015 to present the Band Boosters purchased \$119,000 worth of instruments. This does not include other costs the Boosters have covered.
- Sectional clinicians being brought in to work with students.
- Budget from the school pays for a portion of the marching band drill. The rest comes from the band boosters. The directors feel the kids are worth it and are grateful for the boosters' support!
- Upcoming purchases - mellophones, sousaphones; need to replace some woodwinds (tenor/bari sax; bassoons). Will need to start replacing marimbas in the future.

Officers' Report

- Rikki Cox reimbursement check for repair of marching show props
- Heartland Winter Arts Association invoices for Winter Guard will be paid
- Contract for Chad Heiny to compose/arrange the 2022 marching season show approved. Contract signed and W-9 and first payment sent.

New Business

- Budget Information was shown and discussed
- Ann Leever - fundraising
 - Mattress Sale - July 23, 2022
 - Flower Sale in March www.janetsjungle.com
 - Students will bring home order forms, but everything will be ordered online
 - Incentivizing sections for prizes/gift cards
 - Thanks to Kristy Carlson for finding this company for us!
- Mustang Moolah - comes home on Thursday, January 27; \$10 tickets for a chance at \$10,000. A cut goes to the band. Band members will fill out the request form.
- Silent Auction - Torri Merten - looking for gift cards for "Lucky Horseshoe"
- CWS Concessions Stand - Rob Morrow - there are openings for volunteers to work concessions stands. Groups are required to do some Creighton games and Big 10 Tournament if it is in Omaha. This could be a huge fundraiser for the band and could lessen the need for other fundraisers if we do it, but enough volunteers are needed.

- Vice-President position is open. Please let Kristina Peterkin know if you are interested.
- Mihaela Kobjerowski voted in as Treasurer.
- Chairs - please try to find someone to replace you if you are moving on or not planning to continue your role.

Upcoming Meetings

- January 24, 7:00 pm
- February 28, 7:00 pm
- March 28, 7:00 pm
- April 25, 7:00 pm
- May 9, 7:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Karyn Lawrence
Secretary
Millard North Band Boosters