

Stow Band Boosters Meeting Minutes

May 4, 2015

Secretary's Report-last month posted on-line for review (www.stowband.org).

Treasurer's Report-on-line posted for review (www.stowband.org).

Old Business:

- a. CD/DVD Sales: Will be on sale after concert. Someone is still needed to take over this position as Scott Powell will not be doing this anymore. If you are interested let Janice Brown know.
- b. Tag Day: It was a record year with over \$14,000. The maps were updated and this seemed to help quite a bit, thanks to Cristie Praeter.
- c. Newsletter: Michelle Brugmann will be taking over the newsletter next year. It will remain quarterly.

New Business:

- a. Blossom/Fun Services: There has been a SignUp Genius and e mails that have come from Kim Marmash. In order to work Blossom you will need to be trained. May 14th at 6:00 at SMFHS there will be a training that will take approximately 2 hours. Training is good for 3 years. The first official concert at Blossom will be May 23rd. There is a new company working out of Blossom, there are having a "soft" opening May 20th at 6:00 to let people working taste their food. Last year most concerts netted about \$50 per event for the student accounts. The first event for Fun Services will be June 4,5, and 6. These events can use students and parents to raise funds.
- b. Officers for Band Parents: Elections were held. The results are: President-Joel Biggs, Vice President-Jennifer Miller, Asst. Treasurer-Brian McCombs, Secretary-Cristie Praeter, Senior Trustee-Sue Halasz, Junior Trustee-Nancy Binzel-Brown, Sophomore Trustee-Lisa Toppin, Freshman Trustee-Susan Robbins, Kimpton Trustee-Kelli Staats.

Directors' Reports:

- a. Lakeview:
 1. The last concert will be held on Wednesday, May 20th.
 2. All students will receive a complementary Blizzard at the end of the year.
 3. Summer band will begin June 22nd.
- b. Kimpton:
 1. OMEA results from April 18th- 14 groups received 1s. 3 groups received 2s.
 2. The Kimpton Band will have their last concert on Wednesday, May 6th in preparation for Large Group which will be held at Nordonia High School on May 9th.
 3. May 16th the Kimpton Jazz Band will have a performance/competition and then spend the rest of the day at Cedar Point.
 4. The Kimpton Jazz Band will perform at the Lakeview Concert on May 20th. This will be the last event for the Jazz Band.
 5. The 8th graders will be bussed to the High School on June 5th for the marching band reading session.

c. High School:

1. April 15th-The Tri-C Jazz Fest went well. There were 2 clinicians on stage to review. Our band got to hear other bands' reviews as well. Jazz Band is now officially over.
2. May 27th will be Piccolo auditions for marching band; May 29th will be percussion auditions.
3. June 5th is the marching band reading session from 2:30-5:30.
4. Tag Day went very smoothly. Would like to thank everyone who helped out. It was impressive that everyone was out the door and on their way in 20 minutes.
5. May 12th is the final concert of the year for the High School Bands. Seniors may dress up for this concert. Underclassmen are to wear the traditional BLACK.
6. All seniors with money still in their accounts will have the options to pick where their remaining money will go. If there is a sibling, it goes to the sibling first. If there are no siblings then it can be distributed to someone else's account, to the uniform fund, or to the assistance account which helps those in need to pay for items for band.
7. School loaned instruments will be inspected by Mr. Newman.
8. All bands will have extra duties for their final exam. Symphonic Bands will play at the Cemetery for Memorial Day. The school will be open from 9-9:30 to retrieve instruments, you must arrive at the cemetery by 9:45, and the service will start at 10:15. Wind Ensemble (with others who have been selected, these band members will not have to do both the cemetery and KSU) will perform for commencement. Graduation will be June 4th at the Mac Center at KSU. There will be a morning rehearsal, and then will need to be at the Mac Center by 5:15. The Freshman Band will play for Senior Recognition on May 28th. (There will be a party in between their band duties on the 28th.)
9. All Majorettes have graduated, and the majorette coach retired. There will be auditions for possible majorettes. However, with the size of the band there will need to be at least 4 girls that make the line. If there are not, there probably won't be any majorettes. Flag girls may not be an alternative. This would be an expensive venue. To start up flag girls would cost thousands of dollars, and Mr. Monroe thinks this money would be better suited to replace 30 year old instruments.
10. The marching band should be around 240 next year.
11. Right now the Disney trip may have a few changes. The hotels that are normally used are currently being reserved for a conference. Therefore, there may not be rooms available for our band. Alternatives are being looked into. This may affect if it is a 6 or 7 day trip. To stay on Disney property would add an additional \$100 to the trip, and Mr. Monroe would like to look at other possibilities. There are a few stipulations he likes with the hotels. They must have inside hallways, security must be able to be hired, a room big enough to feed all the band members at breakfast, and price.
12. There will be 2 designated times to be able to pick your child up from the Disney trip. The window of opportunity is between 45-1 hour.
13. Season passes are not eligible for the trip. Each student will need to purchase a ticket due to the parade and workshop.
14. Mr. Monroe is looking for people interested in chaperoning the trip. Some of the duties include counting the kids off and on the bus, passing out money for lunches/dinners at rest areas, checking the kids into hotels and passing out keys, and staying on a 2 hour shift at a designated place so that kids at all times can find an adult if they need to while on the Disney trip. Typically for every 15 students there is 1 chaperone.

Important Dates:

Tuesday, May 12-High School Spring Concert

Wednesday, May 20-Lakeview Concert

Monday, May 25-Symphonic Band Plays at Memorial Day Ceremony

Monday, June 1- Band Parents' Meeting

Thursday, June 4- Graduation

Friday, June 5-Marching Band Reading Session

Wednesday, June 24- Fourth of July Parade Practice

Friday, July 3-Fourth of July Parade Practice

Saturday, July 4- Fourth of July Parade