

# MEETING MINUTES

Richland High School Instrumental Music Booster Club

October 10, 2017, Richland Public Library

## Board Members

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Uniform/Concert Attire: Natalie Spencer

Fundraising Chair: Dawn Hughes

Marching Band Chair: vacant

Apple Fundraising Chair: Jackie Martin

Membership: Robin DeLorenzo

Awards: Becky Chapin

Color Guard Chair: Amie Clayton

## Meeting Attendees:

Kent McDonald, Natalie Spencer, Robin DeLorenzo, Anthony DeLorenzo, Raye Lynn Brown, Mark Brown, Myles Gregory, Karen Husted, Dawn Hughes, Laurie McDonald, Tony, Mrs., and Merisa Pfau Adrianna Bonner, Melissa Glodo, Paula Call

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Kent at 6:32 PM.

### II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes from the September 12 meeting with Littke name correction were moved to approve by Robin and seconded by Natalie Spencer.

### III. OFFICERS REPORT

#### A. Director - Jason Rose

- Jason was absent but he asked that the discussion on fundraising and debt be kept alive. Robin will email parents on this matter soon.
- A spring, 2019 trip will be announced between Thanksgiving and Christmas
- All marching band members need to be registered via FamilyID - Robin will ask Suzy to send out a reminder on this and if possible provide a link to the registration page.

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### B. Treasurer – Robin DeLorenzo / David Husted

- Robin reviewed and submitted the Treasurer's report for September (see Attachment A).
- The Penske Truck rental was \$116 but company told her it would be direct billed and did not charge anything yet.
- Robin suggested that the IMB consider providing assistance in situations where families may not be able to afford to pay band fees. It was stated that in such situations if the band member is participating in fundraising efforts it may be more palatable for IMB to help out than if a band member is not attempting to raise funds.
- Apple sales are ongoing and order forms are due Oct 19<sup>th</sup> – per Jackie and Kari Weinman, no late orders will be accepted. The money and forms need to be turned in to the bookkeeper in the cafeteria
- We are including 8<sup>th</sup> graders so that they can start earning money for their high school account.
- If you want to know what your student made on apples send Robin an email and she'll give you the total.
- Jackie will get the word out on the places that apples will be sold once they are selected.

### C. FUNDRAISING – Dawn Hughes

- Dawn suggested the IMB consider selling discount cards rather than coupon booklets to increase profits. She will solicit offers and have the cards printed and cut. Both the kids and the IMB can sell the cards and keep 100% of the profit. A motion was made to go forward with the discount cards, motion was seconded and all voted in favor.
- Dawn asked if there have been separate fundraisers for the IMB? The answer was yes, several fundraisers had been tried in the past such as delivering phone books, parking lot sales of apples, and Bomberopoly game production and sales (there are many games left that were not sold).
- Dawn suggested several possible fundraiser ideas such as play-a-thons, silent auction, swing dance/dessert/music, calendar sponsorship, booster tshirt sponsorship, Santa breakfast with music, yard flamingoes, and the idea of involving parents of 8<sup>th</sup> graders in the IMB, as well as incentivizing more band member parents to join and support the IMB (less than half are currently members)
- Question was raised if individuals outside of band member parents can join the IMB and Robin and Kent were going to review the IMB Charter to see if that was addressed.
- Dawn suggested that we consider involving middle schools more with IMB activities as a natural connection for younger students to become familiar with high school band programs.
- Kent passed on a question from Mr. Qualheim on whether the IMB can take on the concession stand for the Oct. 20 Chiawana game. Robin will ask Suzy to send out a message to see if people will volunteer – this is senior night. Need to have about 25 people and make sure the pit is covered. Need response back by Thursday. Robin will ask Suzy to get ahold of Sarah Berglund to see if the orchestra kids can help. Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>.

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- The annual 'Senior Night' honors seniors in athletics and other activities, including band. Question was raised if IMB will give seniors flowers this year per tradition? There are about 18 seniors. No decision was made on this point?

### D. Food Chair - Matt Littke

- Concerns with water were discussed. Some band members were not aware that water was available at the Calvicate competition. Also, folks have mentioned that the water has a metallic or plastic taste. The IMB has several large coolers in the band trailer that can be used for water and ice is available from the training room under the bleachers. Kent will follow up with Matt to make sure he is aware of the water concerns and possible solutions.

### IV. NEW BUSINESS

- The idea of establishing a study area for student use at competitions was raised. It was agreed that the IMB volunteers present will work to identify the best area at each competition to designate for students wanting relatively quiet space to study.
- Discussion of upcoming Yakima competition - Anthony will bring a tarp to use for shelter in case it rains again this year, and Kent will bring a heater. Natalie Spencer will bring a camper vehicle which could possibly be used for the color guard to change in. With the big truck, food truck, and Omar's camper that would be four large vehicles. Mr. Rose needs to know this so he can request adequate space.
- Anthony shared a recent conversation he had with Jason Rose about the vision for the band and the recent positive trajectory the band is on with increased skills and improved performance. Kids will be encouraged to join the Columbians summer marching corps, which will serve to further increase skill levels. In keeping with the positive progress, the benefit of procuring a new trailer, minimum 24 foot, was discussed, including strategies for making this happen such as requesting donations and selling advertising space on the trailer to sponsors. The band needs additional equipment as well. It was decided that a committee be formed to pursue these needs. Suzy will be asked to put out the word to identify interested committee members.
- The Pullman trip and the current plan to leave Friday and return Saturday night was discussed. Concerns were raised about sleeping on gym floor the night before a competition. Adrianna will follow up with Jason Rose on the concerns.
- Kent will invite Jason Rose to the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Call, Secretary