

## Amherst Band Booster Meeting Minutes—September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Rakar at 6:33 p.m.

**Recording Secretary (Nancy Strauser):** The minutes from the August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 meeting were read.

- A motion to accept the August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 minutes was made by Bethany Matos, seconded by Jim Hickman; motion approved.
- Members in attendance: Sandy Pack, Diana Sirb, Jim Hickman, Melissa Hickman, Alberth Matos, Bethany Matos, Joe Houghtland, Mike Crisp, Beth Strawn, Jeff Stumpp, Melissa Hubbard, Bonnie Kywa, Karen Sharaba, Mrs. Perry, Sandy Wolf, Scott Douglass, Amy Douglass, Jeff Rakar, Jean Maxwell, Nancy Strauser, Amy Rakar, Val Houghtland.

**Treasurer (Val Houghtland):** Val reviewed the monthly report.

- A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Jim Hickman, seconded by Melissa Hickman; motion approved.

**President's Report (Jeff Rakar):**

- Jeff is waiting for information on the Mockingbird Grant
- Received an email from KFC that due to a large amount of requests, we will not be receiving the grant.

**Vice-President's Report (Jean Maxwell):**

- The Hastee Tastee dine to donate raised \$45.00; Brew Kettle raised \$273.57.
- Chipotle dine to donate is October 18<sup>th</sup>, from 4-8 p.m. We earn 50%
- November—Applebee's; December—D'Tutanelli; January 14<sup>th</sup>—Red Robin; Hot Dog Heaven—President's Day; Olde Town Pizza—March, April, or May (TBD)
- Bloomin' Chocolates will sell items at the last home football games; we will receive 50% profit.

**Corresponding Secretary (Amy Rakar):**

- Amy has the constitution and mission statement on Google Drive
- Three lanyards have been sold, and there are still some available
- Events have been updated on the website

**Committee Reports:**

- **Band Banquet (L. Gilles/S. Pack):**
  - First meeting was held; centerpiece has been chosen, and Sandy will start working on it
  - A motion to allow a \$200.00 budget for centerpieces was made by Lynnette Gilles, seconded by Bethany Matos; motion approved.
- **Band Trailer (J. Hickman):**
  - Trailer was done \$30.00 under budget
  - Jim thanked Jason Pavlik and others for their help
- **Chaperones (B. Matos/J. Maxwell/A. Crisp):**
  - Chaperones are needed for state (10/28) and the last away games (10/14, 10/20); contact Bethany Matos if you are available to chaperone
- **Hat Drive (J. Rakar/S. Douglass):**
  - We received two more donations because of fliers that were on the tables at the steak fry
- **Halftime Snacks (K. Sharaba/R.Bennett):**
  - Karen has enough snacks for at least two more games
- **Pancake Breakfast (S. Davis/J. Hickman/ J. Houghtland):**
  - Sam is working on getting batter donated
  - Santa will be available for photos for a period of time during the event

- **Senior Night (P. Stumpp):**
  - Jeff Stumpp reported that Patti has everything ready to go; she has a good number of volunteers
- **Steak Fry (S. Douglass/ J. Rakar):**
  - Scott reported that we had a nice venue, a good amount of space and tables, and a nice kitchen.
  - \$5,900.00 profit (\$900.00 less than last year; partial reason is paying for the hall)
  - Scott thanked all the grillers and volunteers, as well as Amy Rakar for all of her work with organizing, Jeff Rakar for his help with the tickets, Lynnette Gilles for her help with the kitchen, Patti Stumpp for doing the class baskets, and Jason Pavlik for all of the printing
  - Wine pull and gift card pull were successful; we raised \$900.00 on the OSU raffle; we raised \$1,400.00 more on raffles this year over last year
- **Uniforms (L. Gilles/S. Pack):**
  - Four jackets were dry cleaned last week; tuba jackets didn't come completely clean

**Indoor Drumline:** No Report.

#### **AJH Director's Report:**

- Mrs. Perry reported that there are 235 students in band at AJH
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade retention is awesome
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade band night is Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>; 8<sup>th</sup> graders will practice with the AMC Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00
- Mrs. Perry ordered a 22" bass drum head, and is asking for reimbursement
- New AJH principal is open to 7-8 grade students participating in AMC fundraisers
- Every 6<sup>th</sup> grader now takes General Music; Mrs. Perry is the instructor
  - Fundamental instruments are needed for this class; PTO gave \$1,000.00 towards instruments, and Mrs. Perry asked if the band boosters would be able to match this donation
    - After discussion, a motion was made by Mike Crisp, seconded by Jim Hickman, for Jeff Rakar to send a letter to the AJH principal regarding a donation from the band boosters; motion approved.

**New Business:** Lynnette would like to get the color guard uniforms cleaned.

#### **Director's Report:**

A motion to pay the credit card balance of \$722.64 was made by Mike Crisp, seconded by Beth Strawn; motion approved.

A motion to spend \$350.00 for misc. drum equipment for the Nord band was made by Jim Hickman, seconded by Bethany Matos; motion approved.

A motion to refund Mrs. Perry \$37.90 for a bass drum head purchase was made by Lynnette Gilles, seconded by Bethany Matos; motion approved.

A motion to pay \$240.00 for the OMEA entry fee was made by Beth Strawn, seconded by Jim Hickman; motion approved.

A motion to provide a pizza party after the homecoming parade was made by Lynnette Gilles, seconded by Bethany Matos; motion approved.

A motion to send a thank you with a gift card to the Kellers for \$50.00 and Carl for \$25.00 (for their Beatles presentation) was made by Scott Douglass, seconded by Beth Strawn; motion approved.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:13 p.m. by Melissa Hickman, seconded by Lynnette Gilles; motion approved.

\*Our next booster meeting will be held on October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.