

## Pennfield Band Boosters

### Meeting Minutes--March 18, 2009

**Present:** Blake Driver; Richard Waltman; Sara Waltman; Suzette Jacobs; John Jacobs; Amy Maurer; Carl Maurer; and Chuck Dixon.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes accepted as written.

**Treasurer's Report:** Skipped for tonight's meeting. Esther wasn't able to make the meeting.

**Student Morale:** Blake purchased pizza for the Pep Band; and he purchased/provided pizza, pop and candy for the High School Band to congratulate them for their performance at Festival.

**Concessions:** Suzette will buy candy and chips, and Richard will pick up drinks in preparation for upcoming spring sporting events. The first events begin on March 30 (Girl's soccer); and the first track meet is April 21. Concessions will be needed for Special Olympics--the date/time is to be announced.

The Lacrosse Club has requested the use of our concession stand at no charge. Various Boosters were against the club using the concession stand at no charge for many reasons—use of electricity; possible repairs/breakage of equipment; etc. One member was in favor of allowing the Club to use the concession stand. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that Richard will email Mr. Tim Everett, Lacrosse Club representative, proposing a \$200 rental fee if the Club wishes to use the concession stand for this season. The money would be used for an “equipment repair fund.”

In other discussions about concessions, the Band Boosters agreed to raise some prices for spring concession sales. Coffee, hot cocoa and candy prices will increase from \$.75 to \$1.00. Richard also reported that he sold five cases of pop to the Ultimate Party organizers for \$60.00. Richard is also investigating the possibility of grilling hot dogs for fall concessions instead of boiling hot dogs.

**Director's Report:** Blake shared the following upcoming concerts and events:

- *Pennfield High School Jazz Band* will perform before Keith Hall & the *Tri-Fi Jazz Concert* on March 29.
- *United States Air Force Band Airmen of Note* Concert on March 22 (free).
- *Brass Band of Battle Creek* Concert on March 28.
- *High School State Solo & Ensemble Festival* on March 28.

Pennfield High School Festival performances earned all I's, and Middle School Festival performances received straight II's, and an "I" for sight reading. Recordings of high school and middle school performances are on the Band website.

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**Director's Report (continued):** For the Peel-It! Card fundraiser, the band sold 80% of what they sold compared to the ValuCard fundraiser last year.

The Bandware sale was a success. Band Boosters will make about \$500 from the orders. Taylor England, a 7<sup>th</sup> grade band member, will receive a free shirt for designing the bandware.

**Old Business:** Blake and Richard provided updates on possible pasty fundraisers. Blake found an organization in Marquette willing to make pasties for us, but Coldwater Bands are not able to join us in the sale due to a long board approval process. Richard investigated Dobber's Pasties in Escanaba, and they can provide 9 ounce beef pasties for \$2.08 each or 12 ounce pasties for \$2.77 each. (Beef, veggie or chicken pasties are available, and Richard provided a pricing sheet). They offer two-day air to ship at a cost of \$1,000; and they need one week's notice for shipping.

After a brief discussion, a recommendation was made to postpone any possible pasty sales until the fall.

**New Business:** It was recommended that future Band Booster minutes be placed on the website; and we also need to fill the *Treasurer* and *Vice President* Band Booster positions for the 2009-10 year.

Richard shared that he received a \$1,000 check for the Pennfield Band Boosters from *Travelers Foundation*, for the volunteer hours that he has donated to the Band Boosters. (\$500 was for the 2007 year, and \$500 was for 2008.)

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by Amy Maurer