

CARL SANDBURG MUSIC BOOSTERS
Minutes of the November 4, 2009 Meeting

The meeting of the Carl Sandburg Music Boosters held on Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2009, was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mary Bragg, President. Board members present were:

Mary Bragg, President
Debbie Kelly, Vice President
Tammy Carmody, 2nd Vice President
Mark Wiltgen, Treasurer
Janet Donne, Secretary
Cathy Maher, Sergeant at Arms

Also in attendance were Mrs. Levinson and Mr. Bailey.

MINUTES

The minutes of the October 6 meeting were distributed and read. They were approved with one correction following a motion from Deb Feingold, seconded by Kim Silkowski.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Mark Wiltgen noted that the budget for the current year is on track. Thus far, Music Boosters has expended \$7,874.19. Among the expenditures were pizza for both orchestra and choir step-up events, the wreath mailing, and repairs to the trailer equipment. Deposits included checks for the Butterbraid fundraiser, Golden Opportunities books, and Spiritwear. As of October 31, our checkbook balance was \$64,066.37. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Kim Silkowski, seconded by Patty Daum. All were in favor and the motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S NOTES

Mrs. Grueneberg was not present but reported that Nov. 24 is the final deadline to sign up for the trip to England. Congratulations to orchestra members selected for IMEA on Nov. 21 at Lincoln-Way West: Katie Beberman (violin), Colin Burnett (viola), Jaclyn Daum (viola), Laura Desch (viola), Madalyn Frigo (violin), Joe Hacker (viola), Erika Kelly (violin), Julianne Kennedy (viola), Sonia Mantell (cello), Elizabeth Na (violin), Daniela Tomas (viola), Matt Wolf (cello), and Abbey Wolfenson (violin). Thanks to members of the Honors String Quartet who performed at Oct. 17 at the Community Expo and on Oct. 18 at Ruffled Feathers. Thanks also to those who helped out or donated to the concession stand at the Expo and who helped with the step-up event for 8th graders.

Ms. Sirvatka was absent but reported that the following students were chosen for IMEA District 1: Liz Banaszak, Alicia Davids, Charlie Donne, Katie Dulfer, Alex Earhart, Marianthi Hatzis, Tasia Malliaras, Veronica Passarelli, Chris Roehl, Nicholas Smit, Destiny Strothers, Sarah Traverso, Melissa Trentacoste, and Petra Wasilkoff. Chosen for the 9-10 Honors Quartet were Valerie Esposito, Marianne Ignacio, David Rodriguez, and Anthony Noonan.

Mr. Bailey reported that the band concerts went well the previous night, which featured District 135 8th graders. Thanks to Tammy Carmody for help with the uniforms. Next up is the holiday concert on Dec. 12. The jazz ensembles have been practicing and will perform between the concerts in the PAC foyer. The marching band season still isn't over because of the upcoming playoff game. At the recent University of Illinois competition, the Marching Eagles took third place in the parade, third place in the drumline, and second place in percussion. At another competition at Northwestern University, Sandburg captured first place in the parade. Band students who qualified for IMEA District 1 are: Joan Brown (clarinet), Lyndsay Hauser (flute), Dave Zajewski (percussion), and Matt Thometz (jazz guitar). IMEA Jazz is slated for Nov. 14 at West Leyden High School.

OLD BUSINESS

Mary Bragg reported the wreath sale was going well and exceeding our budgeted amounts. To date, there are 119 orders, but there are at least 50 more still to be tallied. Pickup is Saturday, Nov. 21.

According to Debbie Kelley, we are still looking for volunteers to help with choir chaperoning and telephoning as well as orchestra and band formalwear. In addition, we will need a treasurer.

As of yet, there is no news on the request for a shelf in the uniform room.

Profits for the concession stand at the Community Expo were about \$600. This money will go towards the London trip for the choir and orchestra. Profits would have been higher, but Big Jim's pizza truck broke down and delivered the pizzas late, although they did give us a break on the cost.

NEW BUSINESS

Tammy Carmody says we have two new Music Booster memberships for a total of 326.

Deb Kelley reported on the recent Combined Parent Advisory meeting. Security cameras are installed around the building, so we need to stay alert. The S4 Summit (Successful Schools, Successful Students) is slated for Nov. 5.

A fundraiser is slated for Tuesday, Dec. 8 at Borders from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Shop and Share dates at Jewel are December 7-9 and December 28-30.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Marching Band uniforms – Cathy Maher says that the uniforms are still in the closet.

Color Guard uniforms – These are also in the uniform room.

Formalwear – Tammy Carmody reports everyone had something to wear at the concerts.

Hospitality and Concessions – Water bottles are lined up the playoff game.

Publicity – Deb Feingold says there is nothing new, although she is still trying to get a sign for the craft fair.

Craft Fair – Deb Kelly says we have just 11 crafters to date, so we are behind last year.

Spirit Wear – The tie-dye T-shirts are a big hit. Items will be available during the holiday concerts on Dec. 12.

Security/Traffic Control – No report.

Equipment Moving – Everything is ready to go.

Telephoning – No report.

Candlelight Bowl – Deb Kelly says there is no date yet.

Alumni Group – No report.

Open Discussion:

At the band concert, 50 marching band DVDs were sold, and 30 more are on order.

Marching band photos will be available on game night. There was also a discussion of recycling water bottles at football games.

ADJOURNMENT

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday, January 5, 2010. A motion to adjourn was made by Ellen Sinnott and seconded by Deb Feingold. All were in favor and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. by Mary Bragg.

Janet Donne, Secretary