

# OE BAND BOOSTER MEETING MINUTES

Submitted for approval by: Kim Van Dyke

DATE: Tuesday, April 2, 2019 TIME: 7pm LOCATION: Olathe East Band Room

#### PRE-MEETING ACTIVITIES

No pre-activities. 24 parents were in attendance.

#### **BAND BOOSTER AGENDA TOPICS**

Meeting Minutes-

February 2019 Booster Meeting Minutes Approved

#### **NEW BUSINESS-**

Introduction of 2019-2020 Executive Board

- President- Rachel Hoyer
- Vice President-TBD
- Treasurer- Mitzi Black
- Secretary- Kim Van Dyke

Introduction and welcome of new student teacher- Wesley Crow

Introduction of Leadership Team for Marching Season- additional positions filled and remaining positions will continue to be recruited.

Chipotle Night on Tuesday, April 16th at the new 135th Street location.

Spring Concert Tuesday, May 6th beginning at 6pm in the OE Commons, will be the annual awards ceremony and Senior night recognition. A request for parent volunteers will be coming soon to help coordinate and set-up the reception.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

• 2019-2020 Band Budget reviewed and approved.

Noted Budgeted/Non-Budgeted items:

- Final Packs- budgeted; however, may not be sustainable due to changing school communication practices over the last few years it is challenging to sell to non-band parents.
- Lincoln Test Drive- non-budgeted item since this event is never guaranteed by the Lincoln Corporation to continue each year or that a date can be secured.
- Olathe District Band Competition hosted by OE and ONW- budgeted item; however, only for expenses since
  this is the first year. Income for this is non-budgeted and if additional funds are made once expenses are paid,
  Mr. Smikahl has requested the income be used for instrument purchases.
- Looking ahead: Mr. Smikahl mentioned that in the future (not the next couple of years) that he would like the band program to invest in a semi-trailer so the annual expenses of renting a box truck could be removed. We

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could buy more trailers to pull but this would increase the need of parent drivers and personal vehicles being used. With the semi-trailer, we would hire a CDL driver to drive to all day competition events or BOA in St. Louis. Besides the semi-trailer costs there would be construction expenses to build out the inside of the trailer and custom painting for the outside of the trailer. The multi-level unit would hold all percussion instruments and band instruments and equipment.

#### MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Smikahl provided the Music Director Report and had the following comments on current topics.

- Olathe District Band Festival Competition- date will be October 26 at CBAC. First year; however, many years of work to make it happen. OE will be partnering with ONW for the first year and rotating with ON and OS every other year. The year that we do not host we will be competing. All judges are lined up and there are about 13 schools committing to attending the competition. This is the amount of schools to break even for costs and payment to judges. Mr. Smikahl is looking for a parent coordinator to work with him, other directors, and ONW parent coordinator for planning beginning the end of May until event is completed. Our organization needs to make this a success so that we can continue to have this event yearly. The estimated average income (before expenses are paid) could be \$9k for each school.
- Mr. Smikahl supported the boosters in requesting the parents to get involved any way possible. Running an aggressive program like ours is not possible without our parent volunteers.
- Due to the reduction of district capital outlay dollars to buy instruments over the last 5 years, Mr. Smikahl is requesting to use all income profit from 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 to purchase more instruments.
- Mr. Smikahl called for a purchase vote to release funds to buy:
  - o 1 set of Chimes
  - O 1 Keyboard Amp
  - o 1 set of Crash Symbols
  - Mutes for Jazz Band

Vote for approval was passed.

# **OLD BUSINESS (Items still outstanding from past meetings)**

- Boosters are gearing up for BBQ 2019- Requesting two new co-chairs to shadow this time to take over after 2019 season
- Recruitment of new board members, chairs and co-chairs
- Planning for August Lincoln Test Drive and firming up dates
- Band parents will need to start looking for big ticket items for February 2020 Bingo

# **BOOSTER FUNDRAISING EVENTS**

If you have any ideas for fundraisers please contact a Booster member or email oehsbandboosters@gmail.com.

Happening now-Spring Final Survival Kits are gearing up for sales



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Coming soon- Chipotle Restaurant Night April 16th

Possible that arrangements will be made with Hen House for sacking. Students to earn funds in their band accounts.

# **CURRENT VOLUNTEER SIGNUP OPPORTUNITIES**

• None at this time

Mr. Smikahl will be sending a links in emails and these are also posted on oeband.com members only section. Password Hawks

## **UPCOMING EVENTS UNTIL NEXT BOOSTER MEETING**

- 4/05- SHOW REVEAL
- 4/06 -Regional Solo and Ensemble
- 4/11- State Large Group Ensemble
- 4/16- Chipotle Night
- 4/25- KCKCC Jazz Festival
- 4/26- Pizza Jazz
- 4/27- State Solo and Ensemble
- 5/06- Spring Band Concert
- 5/11- Percussion Show

## **NEXT BAND BOOSTER MEETING**

August 13th or 20th still needs to be confirmed- Olathe East Band Room 7pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

# **POST-MEETING ACTIVITIES**

None