

## **DGN MUSIC BOOSTERS MINUTES**

### **October 6, 2009**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by President Chuck Martin.

**Agenda:** Motion was made to accept the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**Minutes:** Minutes of the most recently meeting were approved unanimously, with the correction of the “next meeting.” It should read “Next meeting is Tuesday, October 6, 2009.”

**President’s Report:** No report, just ask that everyone take the opportunity to invite friends to further meetings.

**Secretary’s Report:** Darlene asked where should letters and other papers be stored for future reference. Chuck said he did not know and would ask Mr. Teague where we could store such items.

#### **Financial Reports:**

- A. Treasurer’s Report** – Bank balance is just under \$69,200. It should be noted that not all funds in the balance are available for use; they are student accounts.
- B. Vice President of Finance:** Not too much activity. The lights, approved at the most recent meeting have been purchased
- C. Contributing Members:** Current balance \$6,100, down from last year at this point of the year..
- D. Fundraising Report & Updates:** Chuck reported that there will be general fundraising for the London trip, cost of which we will know on the 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - a. Market Day receipts were \$267.30 last month. Sara Lee sales were \$408. We are down about 10 customers last month.
  - b. Spirit Sales: Sales doing well, not a huge money maker; sold over \$1,400 in items. There are many upcoming opportunities for sales, concerts, games, band-a-rama, etc. Comments have been very favorable for the new logos. The clings have been ordered, size 4x4 and the design looks very good.
  - c. Cheesecake sales: Samples will be available at Band-o-rama and the upcoming choir and orchestra concerts. The sale will begin October 14 with a deadline for orders of October 30<sup>th</sup>. Pick up will be November 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - d. Fanny Mae: Getting dates together; sales during November with delivery before winter break.
  - e. Magazine sales: Time Magazine Co. now in charge, will set dates soon.
  - f.
- E. Student Account Reports:**
  - a. Orchestra: \$2,488, with graduating senior payments.
  - b. Band: \$9,091, procedure for collecting payments for trips and distribution of money and reports were explained to Ms. Wilson.
  - c. Choir: \$5,733.23

**Vice President of Volunteers:** Gwen stated she needed the list of volunteers. All concerts seem to be covered, especially with samples from cheesecakes and Fanny Mae. She further stated that all the hospitality items have been organized in marked tubs and has asked that after use everyone please put them back in the proper storage area.

**Volunteer Coordinator:** Copies of the list of volunteers was available and up to date with 103 volunteers signed on for various duties.

**Publicity Report:**

**A. Newsletter:** The electronic “mailing” of the newsletter was well received. Articles for the November issue are needed soon, and Helene will send out a reminder e-mail.

**B. Website:** Chuck will get with Burke to review and update as needed.

**Director’s Report:** Mr. Miller thanked participants for a great marching band season; even though scheduling was different this year. Again thanks for the money to purchase the lights. Band-o-Rama is this Thursday, and Mr. Miller was wondering if any discussion had been held regarding decorations. Gwen and Elizabeth have plans in place to decorate the auditorium.

Mr. Miller thanked all band parents for their patience as regards the cost of the London trip. He reported that Mr. Teague is exploring all facets of the trip with their coordinators and to start “throwing” costs around before they can be investigated and confirmed would, he believes, be difficult to contain.

Professor Owens, who wrote a piece for our Wind Ensemble, is continuing to work with the students. He stated that the communication through e-mail program is generally working well. However, when e-mails go out, several are being bounced back. Discussion was held as to the best method for updating e-mail addresses. It was decided that an announcement would be made at all events. The announcement would begin with ....”if you haven’t been getting e-mails from us.... You need to update your information.” There would be a ½ sheet form available after the events in order for people to provide new/correct information.

Dr. Piekarcz wanted to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Miller for all of his creative efforts on the behalf of North and its students. The lights, as will be seen during upcoming events, are more than just “better and automatic” at least under Mr. Miller’s direction. They become a separate piece of entertainment all by themselves; and Mr. Miller deserves a great big Thank You from us all.

The local American Legion Post asked the Chamber Choir to sing the National Anthem for the presentation of the “moving wall,” a traveling Vietnam exhibit that was here in town Friday last. Again, great to have Brett Goad on the team, he is fitting in well.

**New Business:** Chuck reported that Kim Dziabuda of Kwik Kopy, 44 Ogden Avenue, Downers Grove, 630-968-5945, has offered free copying for Music Booster business.

Chuck asked if anyone knew a professional fundraiser to help plan the effort for the London trip to please let him know. Further, if anyone has access to contacts for corporate fund matching, also let him know. New directory should be ready next week.

It was mentioned that out of the entire University of Illinois Marching Band, DGN has the most students participating than any other high school in the state.

**Adjournment:** Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Next meeting is Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Members in attendance:** Information unavailable at time of writing.