Warrior Band Boosters General Meeting Minutes

Date: October 17, 2012

Location: JHS Band Room

Meeting called to order: 7:10 pm

Booster President Stephanie Schulz called the meeting to order and thanked everyone for attending. There were approximately 30 in attendance at this meeting. The VIPS computer was up for anyone who wanted to register as a volunteer or log hours during the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the September 27, 2012, Band Booster meeting were made available previous to this meeting via email and on the band's web site. Tim Kellogg made a motion, seconded by Bill Mallette, to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved.

Finance Report - Rose Lynch, Treasurer

Rose provided a budget summary report for review.

Fundraising

- Not many people participated in the Mixed Bags fundraiser this year compared to last year. We
 made about \$1,800. We might consider doing this again in the spring instead of the Fa La La
 fundraiser. Mixed Bags is easy to run and much easier to promote.
- We made about \$4,000 net for the cheesecake fundraiser. Sales were \$11,544, which is less than
 last year. There was also a charge of \$375 for shipping and handling not included in the item
 prices. The names of the top sellers were not available, but anyone who sold 12 or more items will
 receive a cash prize.
- Concessions: We have only two games left. Expenses are not complete on the report. French fries should be on the menu on Friday!

Volunteer Coordinator - Stephanie Schulz

We do still have several volunteer positions available.

- Marketing Team: We are looking for a group of people to create and put up lawn signs near the high school to advertise concerts, deliver flyers to area assisted living facilities to promote the concerts, as well as any other activity that would promote the band and band events.
- Concert Program Coordinator: As mentioned briefly by Rose earlier, we would like sell advertising
 for our 3-4 concert programs. There are many schools that do this that we could look to for ideas.
 The first concert is December 13th, so if we're going to do this, we need to start it soon.
- **Spirit Chaperones**: The schedule for November will be posted on the bulletin board in the band room.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Stephanie Schulz at sschulz@bellsouth.net.

Fundraising - Michelle Kellogg

• **Fa La La** products have arrived and were distributed. There are still students who owe money for their orders. This fundraiser was too difficult to do again.

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- Mixed Bags delivery from California should be in a couple of weeks. Top sellers were:
 - 1. Julia Lindley
 - 2. TJ Schulz
 - 3. Greg Wiley

Winners should see Michelle Kellogg for their prizes!

- Sales of Enjoy the City Coupon Books will begin November 1st. We will loan students who would like to participate one sample book. Additional books must be pre-paid. Order forms will be made available to help students track customers. Michelle Kellogg is in charge of this fundraiser, but she could use some help!
- Honda Classic's **Birdies for Children** is a **new fundraiser** we are working on that can be used to build up your fundraising account for next year's Fair Share.

For a minimum donation of \$20, customers can guess the number of birdies shot during the Honda Classic golf tournament in February-March. Those guessing the correct number will be put in a drawing to win a new Honda Insight. All donors will be eligible for additional prizes.

100% of the donated amount goes towards your student's Fair Share. The Honda Classic donates an additional 10%, which will go to the general band fund. Be sure to put your student's name in the "Solicited By" field on the Birdies for Children Donation Form.

Christmas Trees - Pam Crider

- Thank you for putting in your orders as you get them! Consider making a copy of your orders for your own records.
- Trees are wrapped for easy delivery.

GL Scrip Gift Cards - David Summers

• The next deadline for gift cards is November 13th. These make great holiday gifts!

Concessions - Tim Kellogg

• We have a fryer now so we can make French fries! Thank you to all of our concessions helpers!

Uniforms - Linda Cassulo & Sue Badgley-Longchamps

Show shirts are expected to arrive late Thursday or early Friday. Linda and Sue will put the shirts in the zippered compartments of the kids' garment bags during the football game on Friday so they will have them for Saturday's competition. Kate Tierney will coordinate distribution of the shirts to the guard. One show shirt is included in the Fair Share for marching band.

There are a *few* extra show shirts but not many!

Constructive Criticism: Homecoming Carnival/Float/Parade

Float

The float earned 3rd place! Thank you for all of the help! We were greatly pleased to get so much help from freshman parents! It was a "Fine Arts" float, as we had students from the band, chorus and theatre programs participate.

A decision on for next years' theme will be made in the spring.

There is no money in the budget for the float. We should consider getting a sponsor.

Carnival

Next year we need to sell more drinks (WATER) and have non-food prizes. We sold \$115 of items, but that does not include expenses. We could have some light foods to sell (maybe cookies?). Glow-in-the-dark necklaces were also suggested.

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FMBC Trip Update

Information about FMBC (marching band state semi-finals and finals in Tampa) was emailed. Funds from a students' account can be used to pay for Busch Gardens tickets and/or parent hotel reservations if the following conditions are met:

- IF your fundraising account has enough to cover 100% of this year's Fair Share (including the last scheduled payment that has not been posted yet)
- IF your fundraising account has enough excess to cover 100% of the expense you'd like to pay, and
- IF you have no outstanding debt.

There are very few accounts that qualify, so please be sure you are cleared to do this by Treasurer Rose Lynch.

The Fair Share responsibility covers the students' hotel expenses. Fair Share does <u>not</u> cover Busch Gardens tickets.

We've raised at least \$150 from the Duffy's Dine with Cash so far, but we've not received a check yet. We've raised \$230 from Rita's Italian Ice.

While at Busch Gardens, all students must provide contact information so they can be reached if necessary. All students must have a buddy - no one is allowed to wander the park on their own. If a student does not have a cell phone, he/she must stick with someone who does.

Middle School Night

Lisa Summers has talked with everyone who volunteered to help that night to confirm what they will be doing.

We do need three adults to help distribute water in cups during the football game. *Thank you to Tracy Mallette and Claudette Nys for volunteering!* We will also need help cleaning up the garbage from the stands after the game.

Parents will need to be patient regarding the seating at the football game; they will not allowed to sit in the upper portion of the stands. That will be reserved for the students. Middle school parents will also not be sitting with the kids.

The middle school students may or may not go to the Meet & Greet with Wellington HS; we will play it by ear. We will be hosting 300 middle school students and 170 Wellington HS students in addition to our 92 Spirit kids.

Park Vista Competition: Saturday, October 20th

Call time for Saturday's competition is 7:45 AM. Please encourage students to go home after the football game and get a good night's rest.

The reason for the early call time is to have enough rehearsal to be able to perform the entire show on the field for the competition. Mr. Larkin's original goal was to perform the entire show at MPAs, but the judges at the John I Leonard competition strongly encouraged Jupiter HS to get the entire show on the field.

Tuesday's rehearsal was excellent!

We will have a lot of time after our performance on Saturday to watch other bands.

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Mr. Larkin's Report

Jazz Ensemble

The Jazz ensemble has been asked to perform at the grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony of the Max Planck Florida Institute. This will be sometime between 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM on Wednesday, December 5th. We do need chaperones to help transport equipment and students. There will be over 300 invited guests at the event, including state and local government officials.

Spirit of Jupiter

We will need an additional 7-8 parents to help unfold and refold the 50' x 50' tarp before and after the performance. We still have some logistics to figure out with the tarp. The tarp needs some sort of weight to keep it down so the front will stay in place, keeping in mind we only have 3-4 minutes to set up the field and 60 seconds to take everything off the field. Some suggestions:

- painted 10# rebar
- sandbags
- painted cement/cinder blocks

Winter Guard

Winter Guard is an extension of marching band season for the Color Guard. The Winter Guard season is from November to April. There are auditions for Winter Guard scheduled for the week after Thanksgiving.

Last year, our Winter Guard placed 7th in the Super Regional WGI circuit. We have received a lot of interest to teach here! This year, there will be two regional events – in Miami and Orlando.

We are hoping to host a Winter Guard show at Jupiter HS this year in February or March. If we are selected to host, we will need a LOT of help - this is a BIG event. Flanagan HS was world champions last year. If we could get them to attend our event, that would be a huge marketing draw.

Winter Guard is open to guys and girls; we are trying to get more males involved. This year's competition dates are not available yet.

We currently have no place for Winter Guard to practice. They practiced at Jupiter Christian last year, but we have not been able to come to an agreement to do so again this year. Neither Jupiter Community Center nor Independence Middle School cafeteria are big enough. (The IMS gym is already being used.) It was suggested to look at The Pine School in Hobe Sound and The Benjamin School (high school campus).

Winter Guard normally practices from 5:-8:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but we could change the schedule to accommodate the facility.

Band Sweatshirts

Band Sweatshirts should be in very soon, possibly early next week.

Announcements

The November Band Booster meeting is rescheduled to Thursday, November 15th at 7:00 PM. The reason for rescheduling is so Spirit parents don't have to make an extra trip to school that week on top of rehearsals.

After this meeting concluded, it was determined that there is a Spirit rehearsal scheduled for Wednesday, November 14th, so the meeting will remain on its originally scheduled date: Wednesday, November 14th at 7:00 PM.

Remember Dine for Cash at Duffy's West on Friday nights through November.

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The band is in need of the following items:

- Copy paper
- Dry snacks for Spirit competitions
- Very large cooler

Remember to add the band's web site, jupiterbands.com, to your Favorites. There is a wealth of information available, and it is a great tool for parents. Photos are posted on the band's Flickr page, which is accessible from the band web site.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM on motion by Tom Schulz and seconded by Bill Mallette.

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