Warrior Band Boosters General Meeting Minutes

Date: September 21, 2011

Location: JHS Band Room

Meeting called to order: 7:08 pm

Toni called the meeting to order at 7:08pm.

Stephanie Schulz -

<u>Upcoming competitions</u> - All competition details are falling into place nicely. U-Haul trucks and buses ordered, competition chaperone schedule is ready.

<u>Homecoming Parade October 27th at 3pm</u> – Chaperones needed to walk route with band. Students can catch rides with parent volunteers for this event.

Fundraising Opportunities

<u>Pam Crider</u> - Annual Christmas tree sales begin soon, an order form should be ready shortly. Pam has created a Facebook page so potential customers can see what the trees look like. Pam will give the freshmen Spirit members the names from last year's seniors so they can contact them. If sophomore and junior Spirit members would like some names they can ask her and she will provide a few to them as well.

Michelle Kellogg -

Mixed bags - promotion is ending on Monday 9/26. JHS may start sales of mixed bags earlier next year, due to several local schools and organizations also selling these bags now.

March-A-Thon – will take place during Homecoming, pledge forms will be created soon.

Pampered Chef - if the band sells \$600 total or higher, then band will receive 20% of sales. Cutoff date is 9/23.

Elite Discount cards - this promotion ends on 9/23 for Spirit members, and the promotion will begin for concert band as of 10/03.

Cheesecake sales - Stephanie reminded everyone that this begins on Monday 9/26.

South Florida Fair – this coming fair is the 100th anniversary. Beginning in early November, JHS Band has been approved to presell fair tickets. Website can be used so that tickets can be sold online also. All profits raised go to general fund. Coupon books – possibly can begin sometime in November.

<u>Lisa Summers</u> – SCRIPs – first sales order was \$4700! Students received \$400 toward fair share.

<u>David Summers</u> - Homecoming parade - Bari Axelband will provide the flatbed truck for our float.

<u>Jill Esposito</u> - Jill will be looking for band performance opportunities within the community and requested suggestions. Any ideas or suggestions can be emailed to Jill at bjespo@comcast.net.

Mr. Larkin -

Mr. Larkin thanked the parent volunteers, and said this year is off to a good start.

He provided a copy of an email about the school district's search for a new superintendent. He encouraged band parents to support the search for an arts-friendly superintendent. This can be important to our success; one example he provided was that the Palm Beach County School District currently provides a total of \$1,000 per year to the JHS Band to cover all

expenses. In contrast, a school district in South Carolina has an arts-friendly superintendent and the high school band receives \$20,000 per year for their program.

Also, new school district rule prohibits anyone paid by the district to perform any lessons or tutoring, whether off/on campus. This rule has caused many problems and has immediately stopped any after-school lessons, which are the only option for certain instruments. Some band parents of other PB schools have already started investigating the legality of this, and hopefully the rule will be changed soon. Carol Smykowski suggested that our band parents send a signed protest letter regarding the new rule.

Terri Saunders - Financial update

Terri advised that some of the fair share statements show an error, these will be corrected very soon. She said to check the balance of the miscellaneous ledger for the correct amount.

Leslie Rosenfield - Concessions

Leslie discussed the need for more parent volunteers, she may create ½ game shifts to make it easier on parents and hopefully draw more volunteers. Chick-fil-A this week. Domino's is charging \$6.25, Lisa Summers offered to talk with Sal's to see if they can offer a better price. Hot dog donations – will continue for this year's football games but this will be the last year. Leslie will look into offering community service hours to students for their help in stocking the soda.

Toni Wheeler – JPAF Girl's Night Out

Fundraiser to be held at the Hilton Gardens Inn on Kyoto Gardens Drive in Palm Beach Gardens on 10/06. Tickets are \$10 each, silent auction and vendors such as Chanel and Bloomingdales will be there.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.