

**Dow High School Music Boosters Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, February 17, 2015 7:00 p.m.**  
**Dow High Orchestra Room**

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President, Kevin Bouck; Vice President, Paul Fisher; Second Vice President, Regina Curtis;  
Treasurer, Barbara Ostergaard; Secretary, Elizabeth Scott

Present at the meeting were:

Kevin Bouck, Barbara Ostergaard, Masako Nishida, Steve DeRees, Amanda Thoms, Paul Fisher, Lori Fisher, Linda Wall, Elizabeth Scott, Jen Pisarczyk, Bob Wisler, Sandy Reed, Amy Avery

**1) Call to Order- Kevin Bouck**

**2) Review and Approval of January Meeting Minutes – Scott/All**

**3) Review of Treasurer’s Report – Barbara Ostergaard**

- a) Barbara submitted the Recent Activity Report
- b) She will make the final payment for the Washington Choir trip in March

**MOTION:** Paul Fisher moved to accept Treasures Report. Sandy Reed seconded it. All approved.

**4) Old Business**

**a) Fruit Sale Update – Curtis**

i) Informal report, Jen:

(1) Expenses: The big expenses have all come in. There will be about \$500 more in expenses.

- (a) Still need to spend money on prizes
- (b) Midland Daily News Ad cost \$1,000, only had 35 cases purchased
- (c) Had about \$500--\$600 from sponsors
- (d) About 50% profit
- (e) That puts us at a net \$26,000

(2) Sold less fruit

(a) 130 cases less that last year due to not doing Soup Kitchen

- 1. Donations more than made up for that. We requested donations because \$10 = \$10
- 2. Only 82% kids participated in sales
  - i. Only 130 participated in the weekend out of 350

**b) Looking Sharp Grant, Uniform Procurement Update, Bouck/DeRees/Thoms**

- i) Kevin reported that nothing has changed since last month
- ii) Mr. DeRees says he needs to get another skirt order in for Symphonic Band members
- iii) Ms. Thoms will check at Pre-Festival concert for size and number of skirts needed

**c) Equipment Trailer Update – Todd Sloggett, Kevin Bouck**

- i) Bob- customization is done, works great.
- ii) They said if anything needs to be changed, let them know
- iii) Wagons came in very handy to load and unload trailer
- iv) Could possibly use more wagons to load and unload trailer and possibly for fruit sale.

## 5) Director Reports – Mr. DeRees, Ms. Thoms, Mrs. Kempzell

- a) **Mr. DeRees** No chance to talk to the Carney's about the Ed Carney Award/Scholarship
- i) Upcoming Performances/Events DeRees:
    - (1) Pep band at basketball has had a very good response. They'll have more Pep Bands in the future.
    - (2) Honors Orchestra at Freshman Night
  - ii) Mr. Williams coming to help out kids for Pre-Festival concert
  - iii) Feb 18, Pre-Festival DHS Green Band and MHS Blue Band, DHS Gold and MHS Gold at Central Auditorium next week.
  - iv) Feb 23 Pre-Festival DHS and MHS Symphonic Bands at Central
  - v) Feb 24, Symphonic Band recording session at Central
    - (1) Barb will reserve one hotel room for the two technicians recording the tracks. Money will come out of professional services budget.
    - (2) The technicians will be paid a fee for coming.
      - (a) If accepted, students will be out of school for two days to perform at Chicago at McCormick Place on May 15.
  - vi) Feb 27 & 28 MSBOA District Band Festival at Bay City Western
  - vii) RenFair Symphonic, Jazz 1 & Drumline performing
  - viii) Midwest Clinic March 9
  - ix) Anticipated Needs/Wish list – He just needs to get the skirt order in.
- b) **Ms. Thoms**
- i) Upcoming performances/Events:
    - (1) Jan 9, MidMichigan \_\_\_ Day in Flint (which they do every other year) they spent about 14 hours learning and working then performing. Fantastic experience
    - (2) Grove Festival, about 15 Dow High school students went.
    - (3) Solo and Ensemble was very successful
    - (4) Blue Lake auditions are this month
    - (5) Honors Orchestra will perform at Freshman Night
    - (6) Pre-Festival Symphony Orchestra Concert is on February 24
    - (7) MSBOA Band and Orchestra Festival is on February 27 or 28
    - (8) RenFair is on March 7
    - (9) Midland Public Schools String Clinic
      - (a) She met with Bob Phillips, "string education biggie," he's coming April 22. All the kids will be working with him and then playing a piece by him with him conducting.
      - (b) This will be paid for by an endowment. Kathy Peretz said should be taking care of costs.
  - ii) Anticipated Needs/Wish list: No needs at this time. Future need could be a string change cost in a rotating method. When she knows the expense, she'll let us know. The cost should be within the budget.
- c) **Mrs. Kempzell** –responded to the Feb 10 Music Booster Meeting e-mail reminder, "I will not be at the meeting on Tuesday. I'll be working with the choir kids on our North Midland Family Center service project. Not much has changed for choir since last month."

## 6) New Business

### a) Jazz and More – Paul and Lori Fisher

- i) The Dow High Jazz Bands will be performing at an event called “Jazz & More” on May 2, 2015
- ii) Had a meeting with The Midland Country Club
  - (1) They’re working through menu options; things are coming to a resolution.
  - (2) Two things to finalize: the room layout and menu
- iii) Cost effectiveness
  - (1) Ticket price 5-7\$ profit. Tickets could say we get “(this much) for profit”.
  - (2) Cost effectiveness of full meal vs. appetizer
  - (3) Last year made about \$3,000
- iv) Brainstorming for additional fundraising through the Jazz & More Event
  - (1) Could different groups be sponsored like Jazz Band I, Jazz Band II?
  - (2) Could have people pay for dedications rather than getting sponsorships
- v) Discussion some changes
  - (1) About possibly changing the location next year: Great Hall, The H Hotel, Northwood
  - (2) Perhaps have an MC this year, like teachers talking up the accomplishments of some of the students

### b) Marching Band Decal Resupply Purchase – Bouck

- a. 2015-2016 Music Booster Board Nominations – Bouck
  - i) Kevin would like someone to shadow him next year so his replacement knows the job
- b. 2015 Marching Band Showcase Coordinator – Bouck
  - i) Kevin has been the Marching Band Showcase Coordinator for Dow High, he is seeking a replacement.

## 7) Meeting adjourned by Kevin Bouck, all agreed.