

Dow High School Music Boosters Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 20, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

Dow High Orchestra Room

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, Regina Curtis, Todd Sloggett, Sandy Reed

1) Call to Order- Kevin Bouck

2) Review and approval of November Meeting Minutes – Scott/All

3) Review of Treasurer's Report – Barbara Ostergaard

- a) Barbara submitted the Recent Activity Report, Budget vs. Activity, Balance Sheet (year-to-date activities).
- b) There was a \$400 gift from Lisa Douglass and her husband who donated their Consumer's Energy volunteer hours to the Music Boosters. Kevin will send a letter to thank Douglass'.
- c) Mr. DeRees announced that a long-time Wednesday night volunteer of the Band program, Ed Carney passed away
 - i) The Board is considering establishing a scholarship or award in Ed Carney's name. Mr. DeRees is going to check with Mr. Carney's family to determine what might be appropriate.

MOTION: Regina Curtis moved to accept the Treasures Report. Kevin Bouck seconded it. All approved the motion.

4) Old Business

a) Looking Sharp Grant & Uniform Procurement Update – Kevin Bouck

- i) Need \$12,000. By the end of the calendar year, the Looking Sharp program should be closed out.
- ii) An endowment fund for both schools is in the making

b) Input from the Directors:

- i) Ms. Thoms: will poll the girls to see how many girls cannot do without a better fitting skirt.
- ii) Mr. DeRees:
 - (1) Tuxedos and jackets are holding up well. The new shirts are good.
 - (2) Marching Band uniforms need to be ordered in bulk for color match.
 - (3) Would like to make a Feb order for Marching Band uniforms
 - (4) There will not be total Marching Band uniform replacement.

c) Input from Paul Fisher: There should be more money available from the Endowment Fund to be able to replace all of the Band uniforms to the tune of about \$20,000.

d) Equipment Trailer Update – Todd Sloggett, Kevin Bouck

- i) The amount of lumber for the interior is sufficient
- ii) Additional sponsorships will be organized later as needed

e) Fruit Sale Update – Regina Curtis

- i) Sales are good, need more volunteers
- ii) Jen & Regina will meet with Bob and Todd about the stacking system
- iii) **Input from Lori Fisher:** We should have volunteers sign-up with the electronic sign-up; it's efficient and effective. It was decided to implement this method.

- iv) At the end of the Fruit Sale the Boosters will figure out what to do with the remaining unsold fruit.

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

a) Mr. DeRees

- i) Upcoming performances/Events:
 - (1) Jazz Performance at CMU Feb 6. They will need the trailer to stash their gear.
 - (2) Solo Ensemble Prefestival Concert is on Feb 23, at Central Middle School.
 - (a) There will be a music technician recording tracks at the performances. Mr. DeRees would like to put him up overnight. He said this expense could be paid through the pro-services budget.
 - (3) Renfare coming
 - (4) Midwest Clinic March 9
 - (5) Pep Band opportunities sign up on the wall

b) Ms. Thoms

- i) Upcoming performances/Events:
 - (1) They will be attending the MidMichigan Day in Flint on Jan 9, (which they do every other year). They spent about 14 hours learning and working then performing.
 - (2) All State Ensemble this weekend
 - (3) Honors Orchestra at Freshman Night
 - (4) High school Solo Ensemble
 - (5) March 7th is Renfare
- 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, it should be well within the budget.

c) Mrs. Kempzell

- i) Fund Raising for Washington Trip
 - (1) Almost \$3,000 raised from then Madrigal Dinner. Chartwell's catered and the food was "fabulous."
 - (2) The Choir will be helping demolish and replace floor at North Midland Family Center paid for by the Dow Youth Community Grant
- ii) Upcoming performances
 - (1) Solo & Ensemble: 5 events
 - (2) Festival March 18
- iii) Additional activities
 - (1) Choir singing at sports games
 - (2) The Choir will help Shelterhouse by collecting socks and underwear as a goodwill gesture

6) Meeting adjourned by Kevin Bouck, all agreed.