

OG BAND BOOSTERS MEETING MINUTES

Jan. 22, 2019 - OGHS Band Room

Meeting called to order by Pres. Nate Reeser at 7:05pm and attendees welcomed.

Minutes from last meeting on 10/23/18 printed on back of agenda were approved following a motion and second.

Fundraising Report – Teresa Duggins, Chair, was absent so Nate and Treasurer Scott Zipp reported that the candy sales brought in \$7,372.26 with a few students still owing outstanding monies on boxes not returned, possibly around \$200. Mr. Howell and Mr. Larsen will check into this. Reported \$9,608.77 cash profit from Dewey's store fundraiser but haven't received profits yet on credit sales and anticipate total amount raised to be about \$12,000 -the utilities expense of the space was about \$50. Band sticker sales income was \$135 and fruit sales income reported at \$4126.35.

Financial Report – Scott Zipp, Treasurer, discussed the Profit/Loss Statement that was distributed to attendees, noting the projected vs. actual budget figures. Seems to be on pace with income and expenses and will receive actual budget sheet so can see the actual monthly tracking. Student accounts still trying to get squared away with little over \$7,000 in outstanding fees still owed after mailing statements to every student. Going forward will have better operating system as well as credits assigned.

Staff Reports: Mr. Howell: Concert last week went well and had good coverage from media on social media as well. All-district band auditions held with 3 students making it and a first alternate as well. These students will attend a clinic in February in Boone. In midst of exams now but when begin spring semester, will have 5 students move up to wind ensemble but classes will be pretty much the same. Reading new music and preparing for MPA (judged performance) in March (12-14) and will let us know exact date soon. Currently planning for Fall and working on marching calendar with football schedules. Had nine 8th graders in the high school band program in the Fall and hope will return with others – currently have approx. 80 8th grade band students. Band picture day went well and will have composite picture of all students soon. Mr. Howell also discussed that Mr. Larsen will be doing the Great American fundraiser to include the high school band students selling the cookie dough as well. Possibility of having another spring fundraiser for high school later in April or May that would include personal incentive (prizes or band account credits). **Mr. Larsen:** Reported that 7 middle school students made All-district and 3 have already qualified for State. Restated the Great American cookie dough fundraiser coming soon. 8th graders will be attending MPA to perform while 7th graders will be performing at Carowinds Festival of Music for judges too. Middle school needs at this time include repairs on current instruments and over summer have maintenance on brass instruments (few have some "bangs").

Old Business: Nate led discussion on purchasing decals for the band trailer to have band name/logo displayed and said 2 businesses are willing to pay half of the \$850 charge for both sides and back. Suzanne mentioned possibility of company in Welcome could do for less. Discussion continued about sponsorships, how logos would be mapped out, addition of ensembles and middle school to design, and possibility of doing wrap. Motion and second made to table trailer decision until Teresa and Mr. Howell to get together to discuss. Kara mentioned that uniforms will be taken to Young's Dry Cleaners soon and Kevin has given us a discounted rate. Scott reported that invoices will be sent out once more for student fees.

New Business: Nate and Kara discussed need for Nominating Committee to be formed to put together names for next year's Board which will be voted on in April. Need to have committee in place by February so interested persons in serving should see Nate. Spring fundraising ideas were discussed including car show possibility but need more time to adequately prepare for that, with food prep being of utmost importance. Other possibilities included Dine-Out Nights, Food truck rodeo, Dinner night at school, and sales of paper products. It was noted that the cookie dough fundraiser timeline would affect what we will do later so as not to also interfere with MPA. Kara mentioned the desire to hold a year-end band banquet once again to include the middle and high school students – looking at April dates and will check with Mr. Dalton on cafeteria availability. Would like to have volunteers to help head it up.

Final thoughts: Mr. Howell was questioned about the possibility of band students receiving letters for jackets and he said yes but can't get the logo quite right on jacket but will work on that. He also asked for feedback/ideas on how to better handle student fees to assure receipt of monies and mentioned possibly starting earlier fee collection and other ideas – would like to put together a fee committee to figure it out soon. On a personal note, Mr. Howell expressed thanks for the poinsettia, gift card, and cards sent during his recent family loss.

Following a motion and second, the meeting was voted to adjourn at 8:03pm.