

L'ANSE CREUSE HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTERS  
MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 5, 2006

Executive Board Members Present:

Gloria Zalewski, President  
Larry Dishman, Treasurer  
Pat Walgrave, Treasurer – Activity Accounts  
Gail Sellers, Recording Secretary  
Chris Hishon, Raffle Tickets

Executive Board Members Absent:

Pat Yee, Correspondence Secretary  
Tony Giordano, Vice President

Parents in Attendance –30

Director Russell Hilton not available

**CALL TO ORDER/OPENING REPORT:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:24 p.m. by Gloria Zalewski.

Gloria thank all the parents for their support and help during the past month. She emphasized that this month is a very stressful time for the kids and to try to be as supportive and understanding as possible.

Advance tickets to the Livonia competition is sold out. We sold enough tickets to the MSBOA Festival to cover the entry fee and even made a profit of \$6.00.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT AND TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Secretary's report of September 7, 2006 was reviewed by Gloria Zalewski. The Treasurer's report for period ending was presented by Larry Dishman. Motion made by Louise Borkowski and seconded by Cathy Troia to accept both reports as written.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Hilton was not available to present the Director's report.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Raffle Tickets (Chris Hishon): Approximately 2000 tickets have been sold and turned in. Winners of this month's drawing (the first one) are as follows: \$500 – Nathan Rinke of Royal Oak; \$150 – Steve Caverly; \$50 – John Reid of Reno, Nevada; \$50 – Laura Kennealy of Macomb; \$50 – Lisa Mohson of Frisco, Texas. Winning tickets will be put back into the barrel and are eligible for future drawings.

Chaperones (Gloria Zalewski) There are still some spaces available for chaperones. Contact Pat Yee if you are interested in signing up. Thanks to all who have chaperoned so far. There is at times available seating on the buses for parents who wish to ride the bus to a competition rather than drive. Seats are on a first come first serve basis. The policy is only band parents may ride and no siblings are allowed. This policy is for liability reasons and there are no exceptions.

Fruit and Water (Sue Dishman) There is enough water for the remainder of the marching season. Fruit has been donated by the Ciaramataro family who has a wholesale fruit business in the Eastern Market. Walking tacos were served to the kids on Wednesday, October 4 for the MSBOA festival.

Entertainment Books (Sue Rosenthal) The final number of books sold was 237 which was an increase from last year. Total profit was \$1,512 with \$1,029 going to the students and \$507 going to the Band Boosters.

Pizza Kits- A final total was not available. Some pizza kits were left over. Contact Betsy Gerling if you are interested in purchasing.

Marching Uniforms (Sue Rosenthal) Everything is going smoothly so far. Thanks to all the parents who have been helping out before and after marching events.

Concert Uniforms (Louise Borkowski) Ninth grade students will be fitted for their concert uniforms on October 30, 31 and November 1. There is a \$25 deposit required which will be refunded after the student graduates. Forms and an email notice will go out two weeks prior to the fitting dates. Only two students came in on October 5 for concert uniform exchange. Hopefully more will come in on October 6.

Senior Night (Gloria Zalewski) Senior night is Friday, October 13 which is the last home football game. No itinerary is available at this time. This event recognizes all seniors and their parents with pictures and distribution of roses. Senior students and their parents will go on the field during half time, get their picture taken and receive a flower. There are 39-40 seniors in the band.

In addition, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade band students from Middle School Central and Middle School South are invited to participate with the marching band during the football game opening ceremony. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders arrive around 4:00 p.m.; learn a some marching steps and practice with the marching band. The Band Boosters provide pizza for the students and donations of other food items are requested. An email will go out as a reminder.

Pit & Prop (Sue Henk for Jeff Henk & Kim Turner) Building of the large pyramid (aka Big Daddy) is progressing. It measures 52' across and 24' high. It won't be available for Saturday's competition in Livonia. There are obvious logistic issues related to transporting, will need more parent volunteers.

Thanks to all who have volunteered with props & pit. See Kim Turner if you are interested in volunteering. Still need to have completed waiver forms for Ford Field. If a waiver form is not completed, the parent cannot go on the field. Also, no children are allowed on the field.

Semi-Tractor Trailer Purchase (Bob Turner) We are now the proud owners of a 1996 53' Wabash semi. The company was not willing to give us the trailer as a donation as part of our corporate sponsorship program. They are a national company and did not want to set a precedent of providing donations to schools. They did, however, reduce the price from \$6,000 to \$5,750. The trailer does need work. The first priority is installing a side door which may have to be custom made to accommodate the band equipment. The goal is to get a door during the winter months, definitely after marching season. It is anticipated that Big Blue will be used for storage. A discussion was held regarding naming the new trailer with possibly a contest.

Band Booster Vice President Election (Gloria Zalewski) Both Cathy Troia and Kathy Turonek were interested in the vice president position. They each spoke about their involvement with the band boosters and their children who are in the band. Ballots were distributed. Final results were: Cathy Troia 24 and Kathy Turonek 19.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Meals, Tailgating (Gloria Zalewski) The next meal that the Boosters will provide will be at senior night on October 13 (see "Senior Night" above). Paul Stichel volunteered to provide powdered Gatorade for the event. The next tailgating event will be on Saturday, October 7 at the Livonia competition. **All** parents are invited to participate. Just look for Big Blue in the parking lot.

A discussion was held regarding the end of the year party. The Boosters have traditionally thrown the marching band a party after State Finals. This year flight II starts early in the morning, so it was decided that the party would be held immediately after returning to the school. Gloria will try to reserve the small gym. Another option could be using the Harrison Twp. Beaufait Hall. Food is provided, karaoke, decorations, etc. More information will be forthcoming via email.

Ford Field Information (Gloria Zalewski & Kim Turner) Flight II is scheduled at 9:45 – 1 p.m. Tickets are \$16.00, cash only. It is recommended that spectators use only Ford Field sanctioned parking rather than private lots. Some attendees shared stories of getting ticketed, exorbitant parking prices, etc. It was also suggested that people car pool. No video equipment is allowed. There are vendors there that you can purchase videos of the performances, t-shirts, still photographs, food, etc.

Upcoming Fund Raisers (Gloria Zalewski) Poinsettia sales will be chaired by Darlene Krista again this year.

## **COMMITTEES**

Kroger (Gloria Zalewski for Christa Schapka): Received a total of \$723.72 profit last month. Student accounts received \$447.65 and Band Booster account received \$246.07. There was \$14,474.30 in refills

Meijer (Sue Rosenthal): The band accrued \$63.45, however, Meijer will only send a check for \$100 or more, so the \$63.45 will be received in October.

Scrip Sales (Kim Turner): There were 4 orders placed last month – student accounts received \$200.44 and Band Boosters received \$121.56. Starting October 13 she will place scrip orders on a weekly basis just in time for holiday shopping. New forms are available. There are many more vendors available to order from, too many to put on one order form. Participants can go on the website, look at all the vendors and let Kim know what company you are interested in ordering from. The website is [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com) Also, look on the LCHS band website for scrip information.

Merchandise (Marion Dywasuk): On September 15<sup>th</sup> \$337 in merchandise was sold, and on September 30 \$220. Also, thank you Marion for volunteering to dry helmet plumes in the event that they got wet.

Bingo (Geri Prichard for Pat Yee): Geri and Pat Yee attended a meeting regarding starting Link Bingo. This is a progressive game that is State wide and winnings can reach up to \$50,000. Each bingo hall will have to purchase a special monitor. There should not be any out-of-pocket expenses for LCHS Boosters to participate. More details to follow. Attendance in our Sunday bingo is increasing each week. There are no openings for helpers through December; however, contact Pat Yee is you are interested in helping in 2007.

Corporate Sponsorship (Gloria Zalewski for Rick Darling & Keely Final) A donation was received from the Fowler family for the new tractor-trailer. And a donation was received from JDS Woodworking (Jeff Henk's company) for props. Thank you both.

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

To see photos of MSBOA Festival go to [www.optionsphoto.com](http://www.optionsphoto.com) .

The Governors Trophy from the Flint competition is available for viewing in the school office.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Louise Borkowsky and seconded by Geri Prichard to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Sellers