

L'ANSE CREUSE HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTERS
MEETING MINUTES
February 1, 2007

Executive Board Members Present:

Gloria Zalewski, President
Kathy Troia, Vice President
Pat Walgrave, Treasurer – Activity Accounts
Pat Yee, Correspondence Secretary
Gail Sellers, Recording Secretary
Chris Hishon, Raffle Tickets

Director Present – Russell Hilton

Parents in Attendance – 14

Executive Board Member Absent - Larry Dishman, Treasurer

CALL TO ORDER/OPENING REPORT:

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

SECRETARY'S REPORT AND TREASURER'S REPORT:

Secretary's report of January 2, 2007 was presented by Gail Sellers. The Treasurer's report for period ending January 31, 2007 compiled by Larry Dishman was submitted. Motion made by Ken Verkest and seconded by Linda Jozefiak to accept both reports as written.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Hilton introduced Mr. Rautio who is a student teacher from Wayne State. Mr. Hilton distributed the band director's report for February 2007. Summary of the report is as follows:

Solo & Ensemble is February 10, 2007 at Rochester High School and the chamber ensembles are February 3, 2007 at the same location. Over 140 events are signed up. A big thank you to Mr. Kosi for all his administrative work in coordinating this activity. State solo & ensemble will be held on March 24, 2007 at Port Huron Northern High School. Sign up for those that qualify is the week after festival.

Pre-festival concert is scheduled for February 15 at JPAC (joint with HSN). All three bands will be adjudicated by the judges.

Inspiration (winter color guard) continues to practice. Difficulty in scheduling practice time because of gym construction. Show calendar is online.

MSBOA Concert Festival will be at Roseville Jr. High School auditorium (times are tentative)

7:30 p.m., March 2, 2007, Symphony band

10:45 a.m. March 3, 2007, Freshman band

6:30 p.m. March 3, 2007, Wind Symphony

We require one sectional per week with the directors during preparation for this festival.

Correction to Pre-Camp Dates: Precamp will be August 3, 4, 6, 7 & 8 (not the 9th as previously published). Band camp is still scheduled for August 11-18.

Busy Next Year: Mr. Hilton reported he is applying and/or nominating for Michigan Music Conference (percussion concert); Michigan Music Conference (clinic with symphony band; Wind Symphony has been nominated to the music world convention to be held in Chicago (scheduled sometime before Christmas in 2007). Bands from all over the world attend this convention.

Disney Trip: Anticipate next week having room sign-up and flight manifest. The Nurse's will pull the trailer. Performances are being finalized. Packet with new medical form and permission slips will be out by Valentines Day.

Other Items: Marching season show design decisions will be made in the coming weeks; 8th grade tours of high school are February 8, 2007; please check with Mr. Hilton, Mr. Kosi or Mr. Conaton regarding upgrade instruments. Would like band boosters to consider purchasing a new keyboard and case. Currently have a \$99 keyboard from Meijer that we are using. Would like to get one for around \$1,000 plus a road case. Request was tabled until next meeting where Mr. Hilton will provide specific choices. Have purchased the 10' trailer (Peanut) for winter guard use at a cost of \$2,300. Monies from Caitlin Brideau memorial was used to help with the purchase.

COMMITTEES:

Kroger (Christa Schapka) Reload for December \$16,733.30. Profit of \$836.67; \$278.61 went to band boosters; \$558.06 went into student activity accounts. Reload for January, 2007 was \$18,220.40. Profit of \$911.02; \$303.67 went to band boosters; \$607.35 went into student activity accounts.

Meijer (Sue Rosenthal): Too early to receive January's total.

Scrip Sales (Kim Turner): \$1210 in orders for January; \$54.33 went into student activity accounts and \$13.17 into the band booster account. Check on the web site for new places such as Del Taco, Coldstone. Don't forget to purchase your Disney scrip. Orders must be in by March 23 to be delivered on March 30.

Merchandise: No sales during the month of January.

Bingo (Pat Yee): Averaging 125-130 in attendance each Sunday. Three dates in April are available for a worker. See Pat if you are interested. Note – Prize money increased to \$2,800 and is being well received by participants.

Corporate Sponsorship: No new updates

Brick Paver Project: Darlene Kirsten was not available.

Raffle Tickets (Chris Hishon)

January 9 drawing winners are: \$50 – Katie Tomlian, St. Clair Shores, sold by Aubrey Johnson; Nancy Kapral, Harrison Twp., sold by Andrew Kapral; Tam Spencer, Fort Gratoit, sold by Tim Skillman; \$150 – Dennis Yoder, Harrison Twp., sold by Danielle Yoder; January 11, 2007 \$500 drawing – Susan Moross, Harrison Twp., sold by Joe Bommarito. Student drawing winner – Adriana Katsimpalis.

January 31, 2007 winners are as follows: \$50 Winners: Patricia Horton, Clinton Twp., sold by Kaylee Cook; Sharon Schihl, Clinton Twp., sold by Alyssa Spicuzza; Michael LaLonde, Macomb Twp., sold by Kiona Cross; \$150 winner- Mark Matlinga Lapeer, sold by Joey Riley; February 1, 2007 \$500 winner-Fran Black, Clinton Twp., sold by Jacob Jozefiak. Student drawing winner - Anthony Amato.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Texas Hold'em (Ken Verkest). Was held on January 20 and had 72 players. Total profit was \$2,099 and of that \$999 was distributed to St. Hubert's K of C who ran the fund raiser and provided supplies, food, drinks, and \$1,100 was given to the band boosters. Ken would like to thank all of the volunteers who helped out. Advance tickets were given to students to sell but were not very successful. Discussion was held about having more Texas Hold'em fund raisers in the future. Consideration must be given to State licensing regulations, hall availability etc. A big THANK YOU to Ken for all his work in organizing this event for the band boosters as well as thanking the other volunteers.

Tag Day (Gail Sellers) Discussion was held about pros and cons of having another tag day as well as the need for a new chairperson to organize the event. Chris Hishon along with Sue Dishman volunteered to work together to try to organize a Tag Day sometime this Spring.

Band Banquet (Sue Dishman & Sue Henk) The deposit for the band banquet has been given to the hall. Banquet is scheduled for May 11 at the Imperial House on Groesbeck.

Grant Request Volunteer – Gail Sellers has volunteered to work with Mr. Hilton on filling out grant requests. Linda Jozefiak stated she would be available to help out as well.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bulk Mailing (Pat Walgrave) We are planning our annual bulk mailing. All submissions for the mailing are due by March 1. Some items that will be included are information about band camp, student activity accounts, bingo, scrip, band banquet, scrip, and spring flower sale.

Bowling Night Fund Raiser – Pat Yee is no longer able to coordinate this fund raiser. We are looking for someone to take over this task. This year's fund raiser is scheduled for May 19 at Imperial Lanes. We will need to notify them by next week if we are going to go through with the fund raiser. Please contact Pat Yee if you are interested, otherwise it will have to be cancelled.

Little Caesars Pizza Fund Raiser (Gloria Zalewski for Betsy Gerling) Delivery will be the end of April. Flyers will be distributed before Easter break.

Spring Flower Sale (Chris Hishon) – Flowers will be distributed Saturday, May 12 (day before Mother's Day) We will be using the same vendor as last year. Help with distribution will be needed on that day (community service hours are available for students). Discussion was held about purchasing extra hanging baskets to sell and possibly having two locations - one at the school and one near 16 Mile & Crocker. Chris will investigate.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Concert Uniforms – all cleaning receipts have been turned in. Still have extra tuxedo shirts available for purchase.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Sellers