Apex High School Band

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Apex High School Band Boosters, Board Meeting – 2014-04-15

Agenda: New and Old Board Meeting and budget

Members Present: Paul Rowe, Terri Piasecki, Keith Minster, Beth Shugg, Indira Valencia, Steve Wood, Debbie

Friedler, Dick Warner, Lisa Voytko, Gary Blumenthal, Teresa Bowyer

Meeting began at 7:10pm

Mr Rowe-Band Director's Report

Pops Concert- will be Friday, May 30. Theme is pop music from any time period.

Tuesday, April 22 Jazz MPA 2 NCSSM

All State Band Students- We paid clinic fee of \$45 per student. There are 7 going for a total of \$315. They paid their own District and State audition fees.

Why do we pay for them? It's tough to get into this (an honor), they represent our school and our band. There will be no hotel fees because it is in Chapel Hill. Mr. Rowe and Nadine Sapp will drive them.

All-State students: Nick van Buskirk, Elise Jaffe, Sam Weaver, Laboni Hasssan, Quinn Sapp, Jade Wu, and Haley DeZwan. Communications will send these names out this to the band.

MPA Bus payments of \$21.18 due. Mr. Rowe gets notes from students and writes an email to treasurer to take out of student accts.

Mr. Rowe is not writing drill. He has 2 options of people to write it.:

Robert Strunks- \$3500 or Kent Baker- \$2500

Gary mentioned that the band does not tend to do as well if Mr. Rowe does not write the drill.

Mr. Rowe responded that the other person who writes the drill does a better job with the visual ensemble. The guard is integrated better into the drill.

Mr. Rowe's handout:

Visual Ensemble

Includes needs for visual ensemble equipment, uniforms, and choreography, for a total of \$9250-\$10,500

Summer Rehearsals- \$1600-\$2000

VE staff (based on 14 weeks)

Flags \$75/ rehearsal x 3x per week = \$3150

dance \$50/ rehearsal x 3x per week = \$2100

Band Staff

Percussion- Angelo Sanchez- once per month, (from coast) \$600 (possibly add someone to make up the gap)

Heather Johnson \$50/\$60 x 3x per week for whole season \$2100-\$2520 full time with front ensemble

Brass/ Marching: William Young- 2x per week \$50/\$60 per rehearsal= \$1400

WW's/Marching- Eric Riggs- 2x per week? \$50 or \$60 per rehearsal = \$1540

Keith suggested budgeting for 4 full time staff then cut back if needed. @ \$60 per rehearsal, for a 14 week season would be \$10,800

{Correction Entered by Terri 5/13/2014: After discussion – it was decided to compromise to budget 2 Full Time and 2 Part Time staff. Confirmed with Mr. Rowe last week. }

Equipment needs:

Rack \$1600

Drum heads replaced yearly

Approx. \$1150 total

(Would like electronic midi pads to replace tympani drum- would be \$800 + PA system)

Dick Warner- Treasurer's report

Repairs over summer- chemical cleans, dents, slides. Overall the instruments are in pretty good shape. Paid by instrument rental fees.

<u>Rental fees-</u> it appears that the collection of rental fees has not been well-enforced. It is supposed to be \$100 for each school instrument used. Possible solutions include putting a sign and having a table at band kick off night. Also, sending email to current band parents as a reminder to pay this current year's fees.

Should be receiving for Marching band- 27 insturments = \$2700 + 9 front ensemble \$3600 plus concert band rentals.

The school purchased \$6000 of drums (out of \$10,000)

Budget Review

Various matters of the budget were discussed. See final budget for details.

Some items discussed:

Senior night up because of more seniors next year

Communication up to \$550.

Transportation- at minimum go with last year, so \$30,000

Planning for 5 Saturday competitions

Refreshments- \$1100 snacks and football games. Pay for sandwiches at double-headers.

\$ needed to purchase new gloves – added \$600 uniform line item

and \$ needed for first aid supplies. These items may have been donated in the past. Added \$200 uniform line item.

New items suggested:

Rain Ponchos- thick kind. Sell like Dinkles. Cost is \$6

Total Expenses = \$106,330

Have \$8000 left over from last year

Discussed band fees of either \$625 or \$650

@ \$625, we will eat up the "slush fund" from last year

@ \$650, 650 x 30 = 84,500 + income

New Band fees figured at \$650 per marcher
130 marchers x \$650 fees = \$84,500
Carnival- We can do again, but can't depend on this for income
We went back through budget and reduced some items.
Expenses = \$100,725.
(Budget does not include \$ for new Tubas and new drumline)
Band Trip
Possible trip is Disney for 4 nights for a cost of approximately \$650.
May 13- Band Kickoff meeting; Visual Ensemble before meeting
Registration packet -due June 10
It is possible to pay with credit card. Fees are 2.75% If fees are paid up front, fee will be waived. If a family goes with the installment plan, then they pay the 2.75%
Add Carnival to registration packet dates
There will be 5 home games
Add Competition dates
Meeting Adjourned.