

October 3, 2011

Band Boosters General Meeting Minutes

The meeting started by eating cupcakes (provided by Lisa Tilley) in celebration of Mary Holstein's birthday. Those in attendance watched a video of the BOA Competition while they ate.

After the video, Mr. Canfield spoke to those assembled and told them that the BOA show was a good UIL performance. Our band came in 19th overall out of 33. He was pleased as this BOA Competition was the largest regional in the history of BOA. Mr. Canfield explained that BOA is judged differently than UIL and that our band made a good overall showing and placed 7th out of 33 in Individual Marching. Our lowest score was in the area of General Effect. He indicated that in non-State years that our band goes to competitions to become better prepared for competition during state years, and that he and the other directors are going to incorporate some more "BOA" type general effects into our show for the upcoming competitions. He said that he believed that the band is further ahead than they have ever been at this point.

There was a Question and Answer period and the following was brought up:

The Freshmen have come a long way since the beginning of band camp this summer.

The fourth movement was just learned this past Monday!

General Effect is subjective. It is technical v. wow factor. One half of General Effect is visual and one half is musical. But, it is NOT a prop thing.

Our concentration needs to be towards becoming better musicians.

Mr. Canfield and the other Directors were expecting to achieve the standing that we did at BOA and that all parents of band students should tell their children that they are proud of them.

Mary Holstein thanked all those that have worked so hard this year supporting the band. She indicated that she was appreciative of everyone's hard work but wanted to publicly thank John and Paula Eyler for their help with the mum fundraiser; those that worked so diligently sewing all the mirrors on the uniforms; and those that built things for use in the show.

Mary reported that the concession stand made +/- \$4,000 over homecoming week.

It was let be known that there is another Fundraiser for the students going on the Italy trip. Angela Arnold has Arby's coupon books that have \$30 worth of coupons in them and they are being sold for \$5. The coupons do not expire until December of 2012.

There is a need for "side dishes" at the "Unleash the Sound" contest on Saturday in Aledo. The Boosters will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs.

There is also a need for help with transportation of coolers, grills, water, etc. as the flatbed trailer is being used to transport ladders.

Greg Farley expounded on this need by saying that, "We NEED volunteers...band NEEDS you!"

October 21st will be 8th Grade night.

October 26th will be UIL Regional. There is a NEED for loading crew, and chaperone volunteers at this event.

Greg Farley made a request for +/- \$100 to purchase a winch for the trailer. Amanda Dorton made a Motion for +/- \$100 be made available for the purchase of a winch for the trailer. Jim Dorton Seconded the Motion. There was no discussion. The Motion carried.

Mr. Doyle requested to be reimbursed \$21.94 for the purchase of 9V batteries for use in the Metronome. Robin Crossthwaite made a Motion for \$21.94 to be reimbursed to Mr. Doyle. Melinda Farley Seconded the Motion. There was no discussion. The Motion carried.

Winter Guard was awarded the February contest and will be preparing to Host this event. The event will run from early in the morning until possibly midnight. The day after the contest, SHS band will be hosting the UIL solo and ensemble contest.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.