ARMADA MUSIC BOOSTERS E-BOARD MEETING MINUTES February 5, 2013

Present: Maria Cefali, Chris Hess, Steve Loveday, Debbie Sheridan, Keenan Thomason

Next Meeting: March 12, 2013 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm at MS Band Room.

Treasurer's Report: 2/05/13. Current General Fund Balance: \$6,36.68. Current Student

Account Balances: \$13,765.57.

NEW BUSINESS:

Band Equipment Trailer: Looking for trailer. Steve will contact the William's family to determine if they would be interested in selling their trail which previously was used by the band.

CURRENT PROJECTS:

CMU Jazz Weekend: Leave 2/08/13 in the morning and return Saturday later morning. CMU itinerary has been distributed to students. 24 students. Maria Cefali and Jo Ernst chaperoning. Itinerary posted to website.

Port Huron Music Center Clinic: 2/25/13. HS band will participate. 30 minutes on stage video taped with critique of directors. U of M performers play along with students and perform. Q & A for kids. Warm up at 1 pm and perform at 1:30. This will be the first time Armada participates.

GVSU Honors Band: 3 students applied (Sarah Sheridan, Ryan Schmidt, Rosie Cunningham). Sarah Sheridan and Ryan Schmidt were selected. Rosie Cunningham is an alternate. 2/16/13 – 2/17/13.

Solo & Ensemble Festival: 2/05/13 Update: HS results are posted on the website. A total of 6 in MS. 1/08/13 Update: Steve and Keenan reported there are 28 HS events and 15 MS events. Events will take place at Rochester High School in 2013. 1/26/13 is HS Festival and 2/02/13 is MS Festival.

Music Department Handbook: 1/08/13 Update: AHS handbook is ongoing and will be distributed in the fall of 2013 prior to marching band. 10/16/12 Update: Completed and distributed the middle school.

Fundraiser Coordinator: 2/05/12 Update: No volunteers came forward for pizza fundraiser therefore it was cancelled. 1/08/13 Update: We need a coordinator to handle pizza fundraiser. Maria will check with a parent.

Marching Band Uniforms: 2/05/13 Update: Deb and Chris will audit the returned uniforms. According to directors there are still 8-10 uniforms unaccounted for. 1/08/13 Update: still missing uniforms. On 1/31/13 the directors will send updates via report cards charging \$400.00 until they are returned. Audit results giving to instructors on 11/30/12 for review.

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2013 Annual Dinner Dance: 2/05/13 Update: There are a total of 77 eligible performers between the three groups. Maria will prepare the baskets. Chris will prepare the ticket forms for the students. Debbie and Chris will track ticket sales. 1/08/13 Update: Date is set for April 12, 2013 and will be held at Creek Center Banquet Hall. Hall Manager – Tracy Kallek will honor school function rate of \$14.00 per person. Maintain guest cost at \$20.00 per person and raise performer cost to \$15.00 to cover cost of meal. Stop selling tickets on 4/09/12. At door \$25.00 and \$20.00 for student. Having flyers available at Pre-festival concerts. Chorale will perform along with Jazz and Orchestra. Steve will invite a few MS students to perform to increase awareness at that level.

MS – Music Composition Project: 01/08/13 No new update. As part of Keenan's final project towards completing his master's degree he will work with the students on the benefits of music composition. As part of the research process Keenan has enlisted the help of a friend (Dan Walshaw) who will make frequent trips to Armada from his home in Washington D.C. to help with the composition process. He will also compose an original piece of music for one of the ensembles for the spring concert. This is a great opportunity for our district. The average cost for an original composition is between \$3,000 to \$5,000. Dan has agreed to waive the costs to compose the piece of music. In appreciation for his generosity the boosters will cover the cost of airfare if applicable, along with funding an appreciation gift which will be presented to him at the spring concert.

2013 ARC Bleed for the Band Blood Drive: 2/05/13 Update: 5/31/13 has been set for blood drive. Maria Cefali will coordinate the 2013 blood drive and work with ARC to ensure there is ample time between the two blood drives to maximize donor recipients.

2013 Annual Music Department Trip: 2/05/13 Update: 25 approximately registered. Another 20 more are interested. February 22nd is the deadline. 01/08/13 Update: The finalized trip will be to Gatlinburg 4/24/13 – 4/28/13. Depart Wed night. Full days Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Drive back Sat. evening, arrive back on Sunday morning. Steve and Keenan will be working with Music Travel Consultants. Budget is \$520.00. A complete itinerary has been prepared along with bookets for all students/adults.

2013 Marching Band Camp: 2/05/13 Update: The CYO Camps Connect has been reserved, located in Carsonville MI. Steve and Keenan will review the camp. A deposit is needed of \$200.00. Chaperones will be needed between 6 to 8 in addition to the directors. The cost will remain the same at \$150.00. 1/08/13 Tentative schedule 7/29/13 – 8/02/13.

Kroger Rewards Cards: Annual enrollment is required for each participant every May per the Kroger Corporate Policy. We will communicate this each year via the website and periodic newsletters.