

ARMADA MUSIC BOOSTERS E-BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
March 12, 2013

Present: Maria Cefali, Debbie Sheridan, Keenan Thomason

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 9, 2013 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm at MS Band Room.

Treasurer's Report: 3/12/13. Current General Fund Balance: \$5,659.08. Current Student Account Balances: \$13,765.57.

NEW BUSINESS:

Music Department Parent Meeting: Group discussed having a mandatory meeting of all music student parents to express the dire need of booster help which funds the majority of music activities. Looking at 4/25/13 in the auditorium. Main focus of meeting to recruit help for booster activities: MS Events, & Cedar Point, blood drive, fundraising (fair parking, barns), marching uniform disbursement/inventory, field trips, etc. Suggestion: use Instant Alert system as a reminder of meeting.

Chorale Update: Chorale received a 2 at festival which allows them to go to State Festival. Congratulations.

CURRENT PROJECTS:

Band Equipment Trailer: 3/12/13 Update: The William's family is not interested in selling the trailer. Consider placing a notice on website. 2/25/13: 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.

CMU Jazz Weekend: 3/12/13 Update: Unfortunately the event was cancelled due to severe weather. This is the first time the event has been cancelled. 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: 3/12/13 Update: Feedback: great experience for students and instructors. Students spent 20 minutes with band director from U of M. A college student also sat in with each section. Instructors received a recording and feedback on their conducting techniques from Bob Reynolds (former band director of U of M). 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: 3/12/13 Update: A total of 80 musicians were selected to perform at this event. Armada High School was pleased to have three musicians audition and selected for the band. Ryan Schmidt - Bb Clarinet, Sarah Sheridan - baritone sax, and Rosie Cunningham - trumpet.

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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: 3/12/13 Update: Unless a fundraiser coordinator steps forward the future of the fruit sale and pizza kit sales are on hold. 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: 3/12/13 Update: Deb and Chris will audit recently returned uniforms in March. 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.

2013 Annual Dinner Dance: 3/12/13 Update: The date of the event has been changed to 4/19/13 to accommodate many students involved in robotics and HOSA state competitions. This data has been updated on the website. All other conditions for the ticket sales remain as is: 3/04/12 – 4/09/13 pre sales. After 4/09/13 ticket price goes up by \$5.00 for both performers and guests. Maria has volunteered to make the raffle baskets. Rachel Ulinski will donate a basic. Chris will donate a KO music certificate. 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.

MS – Music Composition Project: 3/12/13 Update: Keenan is doing this on his own as he is not sure that Dan can help due to other commitments. Summary: 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.

2013 ARC Bleed for the Band Blood Drive: 3/12/13 Update: The blood date of 5/31/13 (1 pm to 7 pm) has been added to the website calendar. Donor sheets will be available at the spring concerts. 2/05/13 Update: 5/31/13 has been set for blood drive 1 pm to 7 pm. Maria Cefali will coordinate the 2013 blood drive and work with ARC.

2013 Annual Music Department Trip: 3/12/13 Update: Due to a lack of participation the trip has been cancelled. Unfortunately the travel company was unable/unwilling to coordinate a smaller trip. Unlikely to conduct any type of trip this year.

2013 Marching Band Camp: 3/12/13 Update: check has not been issued as of this meeting. 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.

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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.