

**Decatur Band Boosters Meeting
April 2, 2014**

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm, ~11 attendees (parents and students)

President Brad Johnson welcomed the group and said tonight's meeting will focus on the upcoming Disney trip and getting all the details for that ironed out.

Director's Report: No word about Windfest feedback scores yet; will update when those come in.

Large Ensemble contest: Wind Ensemble scored a I, which was just a little lower than Thomas Jefferson. Concert Band scored a II- the highest score of all Concert Band competitors! Each group scored a full point higher than their 2013 performances. Good job!

Treasurer's Report: Wendy says after writing a \$17,000 check for travel scholarships, we have roughly \$2400 left.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion items:

Showcase: Thank you letters have not gone out yet. If we can find an old letter, that will be used, otherwise a new one will be composed and mailed out as soon as possible this month. We use email as much as possible to save on postage.

Disney Trip: All payments for the trip are in! The Decatur check was received by Donna, our travel agent, and we are on track.

The band will be staying at the Fairfield Inn, which is very near Disney. The students will be responsible for all meals on the trip (lunch and dinner on Saturday, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Sunday and Monday, breakfast and lunch on Tuesday). No food is allowed into the park, just unopened bottles of water.

Jeff sent a program to Disney earlier this week and is expecting an itinerary soon.

We still need to work out details regarding the rental truck to drive instruments and luggage to California.

There will be a chaperone meeting on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 at 7 pm.

The Parent/Student meeting about the Disney trip will be part of next month's Booster meeting. It will be held on May 7, 2014 in the library. Donna will be on hand to answer any questions that may arise. A second chaperone meeting will immediately precede the Booster meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

The final concert for the year has been moved to May 22, 2014. It will be a practice run for the Disney trip, plus a few extra pieces will be performed.

Officer elections: typically held at the May Booster meeting. We may create an additional position- Big Band Showcase Chairman, a very important and detailed job.

Action Item Review:

Brad Johnson- Update website with latest Disney information.

Melissa Preiser- get a list of all donated items to Steve to update the tracker with the final correct information. Compose and distribute thank you letters.

Jeff Chang- contact Amy and Michelle about the chaperone meetings. Contact Toby Dycus about using the choir's popcorn machine.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Next Booster meeting: Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 7 pm in the Decatur library. Chaperone meeting with travel agent at 6:30 pm.

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