

Decatur Band Boosters Meeting
April 9, 2013

Website: www.dhsbands.org

Meeting started at 7:00 PM, ~9 attendees

Directors Report: Matt was pleased with the bands' performances at last month's concert and Jazz showcase. The bands are preparing for the May 30th concert, at which all bands will perform.

Matt discussed that the kids may be interested in a Rainier's fundraiser. This will be an ASB fundraiser that Matt will organize with JoAnne in Finance.

Steve Gorringer is organizing a combined choir and wind ensemble day trip to Leavenworth on May 18th. Cost per student might be \$30 to help pay for the bus. Plans are forthcoming.

Auditions for Wind Ensemble and Jazz Bands will be held at the end of April both during class and after school.

Treasurers Report:

Heidi distributed the March 31, 2013 balance sheet showing total income of \$11,604.00, total expenses of \$1500, and a resulting checking account balance of \$12,631.42.

Heidi also distributed the SHOWCASE results showing total income, including donations, of \$14,104 and total expenses of \$3476.59, resulting in net proceeds of \$10,627.41. Additional "in-kind" donations totaled \$238.49.

501c3 status: We are still waiting for resolution of our 501c3 status.

OLD BUSINESS

Wendy's Fundraiser: We received a check for \$276.78. We may hold another Wendy's fundraiser next month if students are interested in participating.

Showcase – March 23, 2013: We are all so pleased by the results of the Showcase! We enjoyed a lengthy and lively discussion about our successes and lessons learned for next year:

Successes:

- Venue is comfortable and well equipped with lighting, sound, etc.
- Checkout was well run and fast!
- The student volunteers were willing to help, efficient, and seemed to have fun participating!
- Parent volunteers were integral in managing the students
- Students worked hard to sell the tickets.

Lessons learned for next year:

- Outline sequence of evening's events in the program
- Runners are needed to assist check out team with questions or conflicts
- Bidding increments should be smaller in both the live auction and silent auctions

- Schedule next year's auction when after-school rehearsals will not conflict with spring sports.
- When printing bid sheets at Kinko's, be sure to use Federal Way school district discount
- Reduce prices for students
- Assign volunteers for specific jobs at the auction
- Start procuring donations early!

NEW BUSINESS

Other Fundraisers: We may hold another Wendy's fundraiser, and Matt may organize a Rainier's fundraiser (ASB, not booster) if students are interested in participating.

Officer Elections: Historically there has been very low attendance at Booster meetings held in June due to busy end-of-year schedules and activities. Accordingly, it was agreed that the May meeting will be the last Booster meeting this school year. We will elect new officers at the May meeting.

Action Items:

- Matt: Discuss fundraisers with students
- Brad: Email parents about upcoming officer elections.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM

Next Booster Meeting – Tuesday, May 7th in the Band Room

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