

Thursday, April 7, 2016

Our meeting was called to order by President Lee Hughes with 15 people in attendance (sign-in sheet attached).

Secretary's Report: Minutes had been emailed to attendees previously and were approved, 1st by Stephanie Cade and 2nd by Dawn Bennett.

Treasurer's Report: Copies of the March reports were available. The checking balance was listed as \$12,308.81. A motion to approve the report was made, 1st by Stephanie Cade and 2nd by Chad Bailer. (A copy of the report is attached.)

Old Business:

Washington Trip: We have received the final invoice from the tour company. It is \$3,400 more than originally quoted, because our final count was 8 fewer people than we originally submitted. Our category of payment fees changed, we lost a free person (dropped from 4 to 3 free trips), and we had to rearrange the number and type of rooms used. Because of this, the trip will be \$25.00 more per person and invoices are available for everyone. (According to the small print in the contract, they could have charged us \$300 per person, so the company did work with us to keep the extra fees lower.) These additional fees must be paid right away since the final payment is now \$12,350 and the checking balance from the financial report is only \$12,308.81.

Tri-County Honors Band went well.

March 10th Chick-fil-A Fundraiser: Raised \$200 with tips and they have asked us back for Thursday, May 19th, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. A motion was made to add this money to the general fund and was approved, 1st by Connie Larimer and 2nd by Dawn Bennett.

April 2nd Pancake Breakfast was very successful. We raised \$477. The leftover mix will be used to feed Rock-a-thon participants.

Band Pictures: Mr. Higgins can't do it after all, so President Hughes will call the company that did the last ones.

April Race at Bristol: 20 volunteers will be needed for each day (Saturday and Sunday) and volunteer sheets will be on the website. Volunteers should wear blue jeans or khakis, either a band t-shirt or a polo shirt, closed toed shoes, and a hat. Volunteers will meet at the school at 6:30 a.m. in order to get to the track by 8:00 a.m.

Nominating Committee: An officers and committee member nomination list was submitted by the Nominating Committee. New Offices are to take effect in June. The President must be on every committee except the Nominating Committee. The list was approved, 1st by Melinda Adkins and 2nd by Chad Bailer.

Concession Stand: It was fumigated, but not cleaned. We'll talk about a cleanup day next month.

Band Camp Pool Party: The pool has been reserved for July 29th.

Rock-a-thon: Students are to be at the school at 9 p.m. on May 6th and bring rocking chairs and snacks. They will need to get sponsors and a sign-up form will be available on the website.

Art in the Park has been cancelled for this year.

New Business:

May 5th Spring Concert at 6:30 p.m.: We'll sell popcorn and drinks again. Please bring vacuum cleaners and extension cords for cleanup. UCMS students should be at the high school by 5:30. UCHS students must be on stage by 5:30. Afterwards, there will be a celebration for the seniors with a cookie cake (President Hughes will see if Shelby's mom can make it).

Fundraising Chair: not in attendance.

Textron Adoption: Leane Robinette's employer has adopted us as their charity for the coming year. Bell Helicopter, A Textron Company, will match up to \$7,500 of all corporate donations for a year.

Mrs. Hurter's Remarks:

- Tri-County Honors Band was a huge success and our band was a big part of that. Next year there will be an honors percussion ensemble.
- Drum major tryouts will be held tomorrow at 3:00 p.m. There will be 2 outside judges. Candidates must give vocal commands to volunteer students. There will be an instruction section. They will conduct different patterns. The interview process is the most important part. There are 2 candidates.
- Unicoi Strawberry Festival Parade: Since we'll have a functioning drumline for the DC trip, we can participate. It will be a dress rehearsal for DC. Students should line up at 8:30 on May 21st.
- Rock-a-thon: All rising freshman should take part. It builds comradery. Kids need to get sponsors in line.
- Spring Concert: Need to practice. A date will be set.
- Students have an ebackpack assignment to record a video of themselves playing by 4/11.
- Band shoes: If the right size shoes aren't available in storage, parents should talk to Cliff about ordering some.
- Alumni Facebook Page: Using it to judge interest of alumni in participating in the July 4th parade or homecoming. A meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 28th.

The date for the next Band Boosters Meeting was set for May 12 at 6:00 p.m., and Dawn Bennett made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Melinda Adkins.