

## **Boosters meeting minutes - January 12, 2009**

**Meeting called to order by Dave Willard at 7:00 pm.**

**E-Board in attendance:** Paula Adler, Dave Willard. **Not present:** Karen Fox, Stan Gursky, Chris Herbst, Frank Mazzeo (director).

**Handouts on table:** Agenda; Booster Meeting minutes - December 15, 2008; Treasurer's Report - January 2009; London Trip Enrollment form; London Benchmarks; Membership sign-up forms.

### **President's introduction - Dave Willard for Karen Fox:**

- Dave welcomed all current members and new members.
- Indicated that Karen Fox, Stan Gursky, Chris Herbst, Frank Mazzeo had other obligations this evening.

### **Secretary's Report - Paula Adler:**

- Reviewed minutes from December 15, 2008 meeting.
- Motion to accept minutes: Susan Witte. 2nd: Shelley Puchatz.

### **Treasurer's Report - Paula Adler for Chris Herbst:**

- Paula indicated that not much spend activity has occurred from the last meeting.
- Approximately \$391 was spent on equipment, miscellaneous.
- Motion to accept report: Susan Witte. 2nd: Shelley Puchatz.

### **Fundraising - Michele Gursky for Stan Gursky:**

- New candy assortment in - \$40/box; \$20 towards benchmark.
- Greeting Spring Catalogue - will be available for 1/21 band concert.
- Walkathon - set for March 21, 2009. Outdoors/track unless inclement weather, then inside school.
- Golf outing - Dave Willard -
  - Sponsors have options of \$80 - \$2,000.
    - 50% of sponsorship credited to benchmark.
    - \$20 for each golfer you sign up towards benchmark.
    - Sponsors receive free ads in Jazz booklet as part of sponsorship.
    - See Golf Outing brochure in fundraising envelope.
  - See Dave if you would like to volunteer to assist on planning/running golf outing.

### **Updates - Dave Willard:**

- 8th grade new member outreach -
  - Meeting held 1/8/09. Covered London trip and band specifics. Signed up approximately 20 new band members.
  - Outreach continues. Prospective band member parents invited to tonight's meeting.
- London trip (December 27, 2009 - January 3, 2010) -
  - Benchmarks (subject to change based on

- contract terms from the tour company and pending # of participants) -
  - Feb 9 - \$300
  - Mar 16 - \$400
  - Apr 20 - \$400
  - May 18 - \$400
  - June 8 - \$300
  - July 20 - \$400
  - Aug 24 - \$400 - last drop date for getting personally paid funds back
  - Sept 21 - \$395
  - Total - \$2,995
- Objective should be to stay current with payments. Dave reviewed the benchmark schedule and explained reimbursement policy.
  - Personally paid \$ can be returned up to 8/24. Provides opportunity to experience first week of band camp.
  - Fundraised \$ cannot be returned.
  - Cannot confirm at this point whether annual \$250 benchmark will be in addition to or included in trip cost.
  - We will not know final cost of trip until the contract is locked in.
  - If you have already reached your \$250 annual benchmark for this year, anything above the \$250 will be put towards the trip (assuming band member is going on trip).
- Streetbeat newsletter - available on [www.pennsburybands.org](http://www.pennsburybands.org) - 4 articles.
- Minutes - we will post Booster meeting minutes pennsburybands.org. Announcement to be sent when posted.
- Upcoming events - also see tonight's meeting agenda for dates.
  - Winter band concert - January 21.
    - Need coordinator and volunteers for reception. Contact Karen Fox.
  - County band auditions - January 24.
    - Middle schools report to Pennwood Middle School at 11:45 am
    - High school reports at 7:45 am to Pennsbury High School.
    - Audition location - New Hope-Solebury.
    - Concert - March 26-28 (practice 3/26-27; concert 3/28) at Pennsbury High School
  - District band - January 29-31
    - Practice - January 29-30
    - Concert - January 31
    - Practice and concert - Plymouth Whitmarsh High School.
    - For those who ordered tickets, should arrive in mail if you supplied envelope.
  - Jazz Festival - March 19, 6:00 pm - update by Julie Bailey
    - Need volunteers - contact Julie
    - Wayne Bergeron will perform
- Nominating Committee for 2009-10 E-Board -

- Need volunteers - contact Karen Fox
- Budgets - committee chairs should submit budget change requests to Karen Fox before Feb. 9 Booster meeting.
- Next Booster meeting - February 9; be prepared with benchmark payment
- Website for all band announcements → [www.pennsburybands.org](http://www.pennsburybands.org). This is the best means of communication to reach families and band members so please check the website regularly.
- Band hotline - 215-949-1510. Numbers is also located on band website.

**Motion to adjourn** meeting at 7:50 pm: Deb Alleva; 2nd - Shelley Puchatz.

Respectfully  
submitted,  
Paula Adler,  
Booster  
Secretary