



Band Booster General Meeting

December 2, 2024

6:00 pm

Called to order at 6:03 pm by Tina Winchester, Vice President

Recorded by Lisa Quortrup, Secretary

Reading of Minutes

- Minutes from November 11, 2024 General Meeting read by Lisa Quortrup.
 - Motion to approve by Betty Cox
 - Andrea Felder seconded
 - **Minutes accepted.**

Director's Report: Mr. Doyle

- We have just concluded the longest marching season this school has ever had. This was due to our football team advancing to playoffs for the first time. Dr. McCowan received a complimentary letter, from someone not associated with our school, recognizing our band and the way we cheered and supported our team.
- Parents/volunteers, thank you for everything you did to support our band (food, transporting equipment, washing uniforms many times).
- It's December and there are a lot of events on the calendar for the next two weeks.
- The Saginaw Christmas Parade starts fairly quickly after dark - usually around 6. The parade route is a straight route from Willow Creek Elementary school to the Saginaw Recreation Center. This is a change from last year, but this route has been used previously.
- We are hosting multiple holiday concerts this coming week in CTHS PAC. Marine Creek Middle School is Monday 12/9, our Jazz Band is Tuesday 12/10, Ed Willkie Middle School is Wednesday 12/11 and our Wind Ensemble, Symphonic and Concert Bands is Thursday 12/12.
- Per Ms. Rivers, the Brass All Region Audition is tomorrow. If you are a room monitor, there is a meeting in the library at 5:45. The room monitor job is not a difficult task. The main responsibility is to keep the room running on time and announce the each player.
- Our band has again been asked to participate in Ranger Magic by providing hot cocoa for CTHS teachers on the last day of school before the winter break. We provide the cocoa packets and cups (not the hot water).
- As soon as the marching season ended, we began planning next year's marching show. We are using a new coordinator who is experienced but also limits the number of clients

he takes so he isn't quite as busy as the coordinator we have used in the past. Designing and writing a show is a big job. The cost is \$10,000.00. To hire the coordinator, we need to pay \$2,000.00 now, \$1,000.00 two times in the spring and the remaining balance will be due next school year. Our budget includes funds for this expense; however, the budget for next school year isn't approved until February 2025.

- Motion by Lola Phillips to reallocate funds to pay fees as due.
- Lindsey Wright seconded

- **Vote passed unanimously**

- Propose the band collect nonperishable food items at our holiday concert to donate to Community Link. We will place boxes in the PAC lobby. Britney will collect boxes and wrap them to look festive. I will reach out to Community Link to find a list of needed items.
- Per Julie, as a fundraiser at the holiday concert last year, we sold hot cocoa and Christmas Tree cakes and Anthony dressed as an Elf announcing shout outs. After floor discussion, we will provide hot cocoa and Christmas Tree cakes for free to those who bring a donated item. Those who do not donate to Community Link will be able to purchase these snacks.
- In an effort to be more visible to middle school band families, some of the Boosters would like to attend the middle school band concerts. Concerts begin at 6:30. Make a QR code available so people attending the concert can register for our March to the Beat Fun Run.
- Thank you to Veronica for changing out all the uniform shirts and hip drops to purple for our last performances.

Committee Reports: Committee Chairs Reporting

Treasurer Report: Betty Cox, Treasurer

- November's ending balance was \$67,239.15.

Sponsorship Committee: Christina Lamb, Lola Phillips, Sarah Valenzuela, Co-Chairs

Lola Phillips reporting:

- Plan a revamp to our flyer and to push for sponsorships beginning in February. Suggest we scale back the costs and go "door to door" to get more sponsors. We are hitting up the same businesses that football does. Per Mr. Doyle: Let's add more tiers rather than lower the amount.
- Propose itemized sponsorship options such as shirts, transportation, meals, etc.
- Suggest we set up a table at concerts in order to involve more band families and tap potential sponsors through their contacts.
- Per floor - Whataburger has not been a sponsor in our district, but is in other districts.

Fundraising: Shawn and Lindsey Wright, Co-Chairs

- The tamale sale raised \$1,400. We did not reach our goal, but it was worthwhile.

- We will have a Main Event fundraiser on February 4th. The band receives a percentage of all receipts collected on that night. We will need to have people posted at the door asking patrons to keep their receipt so we may collect it on their way out.

Color Guard:

Equipment:

Uniforms: Veronica Salinas, Chair

- What are we wearing for the parade?. Per Mr. Doyle, uniforms with purple shirts and hip drops.
- Thank you to the 20 volunteer parents for washing uniforms this season.

Hospitality Report: Brittney Sapien-Vance, Chair

- Need help tomorrow at All Region Auditions

Concession Report: Cory Newby, Chair

Web Designer: Andrea Felder, Chair

Sales: Kristy Swaim, Chair

Run Committee: Andrea Felder, Susan Meeke Co-Chairs

Andrea Felder Reporting:

- Deposit for the run chip is due Dec 13.
- As of now, we have two sponsors. Susan was able to get Gandy Ink to donate run shirts and we have a local gym.
- To advertise: Andrea and Mr. Doyle will announce our run in running groups and we will notify middle school band directors.
- Per Mr. Doyle, if band students register for the run and beat Mr. Doyle, he will give a free 100 in band.
- We would like some of the band students to play.
- John and Anthony will take pictures.
- We will have a water station. Do we want a concession? Should we have hot cocoa at start/finish?

President Report: Julie Reed, President

New Business

- We are looking for a semi truck driver for the Indoor Percussion trip to Ohio. This is a paid job.
- Having a garage sale as a fundraiser has been brought up in the past and for many logistical reasons, decided against. Do we want to try again? We would have to

be sure we don't conflict with the football team's garage sale. Mr. Doyle would have to go through the school to get it approved.

Existing Business

- Band banquet will be on Saturday, May 3, 2025.
 - Food: Julie to research caterers. We are open to additional caterer suggestions. Corey is willing to make brisket.
- There are many open booster and chair positions for next year. The treasurer is a very important booster position and it would be very beneficial for the candidate to begin training now with Betty. Mr. Doyle reported that we will likely be changing to Presto as our platform for next year (the decision will be made in February). This change will allow us to take more payments through Presto and involve the Treasure less in that process.
- Some parents will be playing in the Jazz Band concert. Rehearsal is Wednesday.
 - Betty Cox motioned to adjourn.
 - Tina Winchester seconded.
 - Meeting adjourned at 7:02pm.

Upcoming Events:

December

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| 2 | Booster Meeting |
| 3 | All-Region Phase 1 Brass Auditions @ CTHS |
| 4 | Bosses Pizza |
| 5 | All-Region Phase 1 Woodwind Auditions @ Central HS |
| 5 | Chick-Fil-A Saginaw Fundraiser (Percussion) |
| 7 | Saginaw Christmas Parade |
| 10 | Jazz Holiday Concert |
| 11 | Qdoba Fundraiser |
| 12 | Holiday Concert |
| 14 | All-Region Phase 2 & Ninth Grade Auditions @ Timber Creek HS |
| 14 | Mountain Mike's Pizza Fundraiser (Percussion) |
| 17 | Tamale order pick up |
| 18 | Bosses Pizza (Percussion) |

January

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| 10 | Mountain Mike's Pizza Fundraiser (Percussion) |
| 15 | Bosses Pizza Fundraiser (Band) |
| 22 | Bosses Pizza Fundraiser (Percussion) |

- 25 Ranger Regiment March to the Beat Run (5K and 1mile)
- 29 Raising Cane's Fundraiser (Indoor Drumline)

February

- 4 Main Event Fundraiser

March

- 7 Mountain Mike's Pizza Fundraiser
- 26 Raising Cane's Fundraiser (Indoor Drumline)

April

- 8-13 Indoor Percussion in Dayton
- 26 Ranger Roundup

May

- 3 Band Banquet
- 10 Prom
- 22 Percussion Concert
- 31 Graduation