

EGIMA – October 21, 2014

Those present Ron Fiorito (Band Director), Maura Brown (Orchestra Director), Debra Paris (President), Grace LoBianco (Treasurer), Neil Doruff (Webmaster/Public Relations), Annette O'Brien (Hospitality Band), Kathy Rogers (Volunteers), Mary Allegretti (Hospitality Orchestra/Spirit Wear), Debbi Frigo (Secretary), Susie Schneider (Disney Fundraising), Kim Jaeger, Renee Tompary, Sharon Duffy, Marie Rosenorn (Uniform Band), Ray Szull, Susie Moellenkamp, Anne Skoufes, Fred Ziegler.

Orchestra Report Maura is happy with the progress so far this year. The trip to U of I has been booked. Feb 6-7 will look into trip to Millikin University. TriM music honors society (50). Looking at getting more students involved. Students need to do 15 service hours to stay in good standing.

Band Report Marching band season is almost over. Concert season is right around the corner. Ron said that this is the best group ever. He thanked all the parents for their help. Friday is the last football game. Call time is 5:30. We will be honoring 27 seniors this year. Saturday is Pops & Pizza concert. The students had a good rehearsal today. There was an Oboe master's class today. In November, there will be a clarinet master's class. On January 30th the symphonic band will have a performance for the IMEC. This will require an overnight stay. Fees will be mostly covered by the state.

Financials Grace will check on Wendy's check. All contacts at Wendy's were fired. Debra gave the treasures report.

Disney Info \$2,550 in corporate sponsorships has been collected. The baskets for Disney on tap came out real nice. We will continue with Best seat in the house for the concerts. We will also continue to sell the sunglasses. The cost for the sunglasses was \$525. We have collected \$475 so far. The Disney shirts have been designed by the committee and we will begin to sell them at Disney on tap for \$10 each. 13 mattresses were sold this year for a total profit of \$950. We hope that the fruit sales will be successful. We are still looking at doing a pancake breakfast in February.

Financial Report – approved by Debbi and Annette

Secretary Report – approved by Susie S. and Kim

New Business Cheesecake and Pasta fundraisers were discussed (50/50 split). We would like to make about \$2,000 from the concert. 30 pumpkins were donated for decorations. We might raffle them off or just sell them? Doors open at 5:30. The students need to be there at 4:30. The pizza will be here at 5:15. Open doors at 5:40 so that the parents can check out the raffle prizes, cds and old band t-shirts. Flyers for the concert will go out at Grove and Friendship Jr Highs. Carson's Day will be looked at again in the spring. Need to look into making Spirit wear more profitable and happen faster. The tuxedos need to be cleaned as soon as possible. The uniform fittings need to be done by the end of October. The needs for the craft show bake sale will be managed by a sign-up for helpers.

The next newsletter deadline is December 19th. Jennifer Christopher has stepped down from the board.

Motion to Adjourn – Annette and Grace

NEXT MEETING: November 18th at 7PM