

# Meeting Minutes

Caledonia Band Booster Meeting,

9/20/2011, 7PM Band Room (Attendees: Laura Nieman, Rob Merkles, Paul Gerndt, Michelle Robrahn, Michelle Miller, Nan & Rod Snow, Dawn Schumaker, Kyle Wellfare, Lisa Batchelow)

## **PRESIDENT:** *Nan Snow*

- \* Nan will get with Kyle for picture CD to create a new picture collage.
- \* Pizza & water after the homecoming parade needs to be at the stadium parking lot at 5:30. Nan will look into having Farrows from Middleville deliver the pizzas or she will get them from Little Caesars. Laura Nieman, Rob Merkler, & Michelle Miller will help serve pizza to the kids.
- \* 2 dozen flowers are needed at the stadium for the parent night football game.
- \* The cost to purchase the candy bars for families to do fundraising on their own accounts has gone up by a significant amount.
- \* 300 bracelets have been sold so far.
- \* Nan took a vote about not doing Candy Cane Lane this year & it was approved to remove this fundraiser.

## **VICE PRESIDENT:** Rod Snow

- \* Rod mentioned that his company (Kelloggs) matches volunteer hours so for every hour he volunteers they donate \$10 to the band. Those that work at large companies may want to check to see if they do anything similar.

## **TREASURER:** *Michelle Robrahn*

- \* Michelle handed out current balances in High School & Middle School accounts. The bank accounts have been switched over to a different bank.
- \* Michelle has paperwork to register the Caledonia Bands at D&W. For all of you that shop at D&W the number to use is 95577.
- \* Cal Classic will need a new chair for next year; Michelle gave Nan her folder with planning notebook/notes containing all the work that was done for this year. The other chairs should turn in their planning notebooks and notes to Kyle for the next planning committee. Michelle nominated MaryAnn Timmer which Nan will talk to MaryAnn about.

## **SECRETARY:** *Dawn Schumaker*

- \* Update

## **H.S. BAND DIRECTOR:** *Kyle Wellfare*

- \* Kyle will call the sponsors from the cancelled Cal Classic.
- \* Band stickers are available for sale at the school store for \$3.
- \* Kyle said the high school band students have been great this year & school has been very supportive if he needs something. Don on the other hand needs help. Don received money for a helper but only ½ the amount he received last year so the same person couldn't afford to stay on. A trained person has to be hired, can't be a local graduate or volunteer retiree.
- \* Only 2 competitions this year (Hastings & MSBOA)
- \* Kyle talked about needing individuals/parents to let people like Jerry Phillips or Jim Glazier know how much they enjoy listening to the marching band at football games, or when the band kids do something nice to mention it to the school staff. We need advocates to let others know how grateful we are to have a band program & how important it is. It is all too often that we just immediately ask for money & letting others know how much we enjoy something can do just as much good.
- \* Kyle will get with the kids to ask for a small donation for food for the indoor Marching Band show.
- \* Trailer is missing; Kyle will get with Dave to find out where it is.

## **WEBMASTER:** *Craig Harris*

- \* Not present but sent in a note outlining what has been done in the website lately:
  - created the new sponsor page for the 2011-2012 year

- received a number of changes from Kyle for updating information and linking documents so the web page is an accurate and complete resource.
- changed the menu:
  - added a new online absence form,
  - split the concert band and jazz band pages to separate pages and
  - hid the Caledonia classic page.
- modified the front page image into a slide show (Kyle's idea).

Works in progress:

- need content for the concert band and color guard pages.
- need updated fundraiser descriptions for the current 2011-2012 fundraisers
- need new pictures of the 2011-2012 season

**UNIFORM MANAGER:** *Mary Beth Jack*

- \* Not present but Mary Beth you can have \$50 for volunteer recognition at the band show.
- \* Kyle will get with the kids to ask for money for food for the indoor Marching Band show.

**MARKETING MANAGER:** *Nan Snow*

- \* Band bash cost us about \$72; it was voted to continue with the band bash next year. Turnout was a little low, possibly because there was a middle school event going on as well. Next year we will only provide water & possibly offer pop for a fee.

**PIT CHIEF:** *Dave VanPutten*

- \* Not present. Dave, Dan Hoogterp offered to help with parts at cost for trailer repairs. Dave please get in contact with Dan at e-mail [dhoogle@charter.net](mailto:dhoogle@charter.net) to see if you two can coordinate what needs to be done.
- \* Trailer is missing; Kyle will get with Dave to find out where it is.

**FUNDRAISING UPDATES:**

- \* Update on Letter Fundraiser, *Dawn & Kyle (letters are going out Friday this week. When people donate we will send out thank you letters. About 50% of the kids participated)*
- \* Gains Harvest Festival Oct 8<sup>th</sup>, 10 am - 3 pm at the Prairie Wolf Park @ 8555 Kalamazoo Ave, Caledonia MI, Kyle (*we will not be participating*)
- \* Update of Caledonia Classic, *Michelle (New chair person needed for next year see notes above under Michelle's name)*
- \* Update of JV/Freshman Concessions Fundraising, *Nan (One of our dates was cancelled due to a rescheduling conflict, a few more volunteers are needed, please go to Charms under the volunteer tab to participate)*
- \* Candy Cane Lane will not take place this year as a fundraiser.

**PENDING ISSUES:**

- \* Discussion/consideration of alternate location options for band camp
- \* Planning of Caledonia Classic Marching Exposition & Clinic
- \* Organization name change
- \* Creation of our Mission Statement
- \* Continued Trailer Repair / Decals
- \* Scholarship Growth