

Waynesburg Central Band Booster Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2023

The meeting was held in the WCJSHS Band Room, and called to order by Jeremy Rohanna at 6:04pm. Attendance was recorded.

Secretary's Report: Those in attendance reviewed the September 2023 meeting minutes. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Randy Pettit and seconded by Jason Whipkey. Motion carried.

Correspondence: A business owner contacted Mr. Mason and requested that our band play at an event. The business owner may be willing to help with the purchase of a new band trailer, if we are willing to play at the event; Doug will investigate further.

Treasurer's Report: A Treasurer's report was provided by Janelle Wise. The only new expenses this month were paying for band camp, quarterback club for the program pictures of band, and gas for the trailer to travel to band camp. There are 3 upcoming expenses which are not currently part of the budget: 1) Toll by Plate (away camp – trailer): \$22.20, Nurse supplies: \$22.49, and Gas expenses for trailer for an away game and Buckwheat: \$153.88. A motion to approve the new expenses, not previously part of the budget, was made by Jason Whipkey and seconded by Randy George. Motion carried.

2023/24 Planning:

1. Committee Reports – Student Events:
 - a. Band Camp Committee: No report.
 - b. Banquet/Picnic Committee: No Report.
2. Committee Reports – Booster-Led Events:
 - a. Fundraising Committee:
 - i. Individual Fundraisers: We are at the end of the Pepperoni Roll sale for individual accounts. Orders should be turned in no later than Band practice on October 5th.
 - ii. Raffle Tickets: We were unable to sell all of the remaining tickets, and therefore, boosters will have to absorb any pay-outs from the raffle tickets. Band Boosters will own the unsold tickets.
 - iii. Sodexo: There is a contract that needs to be signed digitally to continue to work for Sodexo to earn money for individual accounts. We've already paid the liability insurance. The deadline to sign was last week. Christy Barto motioned that we sign the liability insurance. Kari Fox seconded. Motion carried.
 - iv. Night at the Races: We have committed to a date of March 23rd. At the last meeting, we were tentatively targeting March 16th, but we found that due to the St. Patrick's Day holiday, venues did not want to allow us to use their space. Kim and Jeremy are following up with potential venues, but suggestions are

welcome. Patricia Piper suggested the Fairgrounds as a potential venue and will follow up on that.

- b. Concessions: We need at least one additional person to work Senior Night concession stand. Erin Gump volunteered. Thank you!
 - c. Uniform: No report
3. Budget, planning Communications: A proposed budget was presented to the board by Mr. Mason in June. For transparency, it was presented to the entire boosters group tonight. A motion to approve the budget was made by Julie Renner and seconded by Randy George. Motion carried.
4. Unfinished Business
- a. Youth Night: Youth Night is October 13th. Mr. Falvo has about 25 students signed up to attend. Jason Whipkey was able to procure a tent for use that night to be set up by the high school. It can be set up Thursday night. Brochures will be handed out to students. The students will march with the JS/HS band and play Red and Black on the field. A donation from First Federal was received to buy the parents pizza after the students arrive for band at 5:30pm. Julie Renner volunteered to order and pick up the pizza for the event. Rebecca Cole has obtained a water donation as well.
5. New Business
- a. Spring Competition Trip: April 10-14 will hopefully be our Spring Trip to Norfolk, VA (dates within that range). Mr. Mason is working to get us into a competition for both concert and parade bands. Chaperones are welcome. Mr. Mason is working on pricing, and hopefully making it as low as possible. This is open to 7th-12th grades.
 - b. Saturday, October 14th is the Penn West - Cal U Homecoming Parade competition. The 7th graders involved in Buckwheat will be asked to participate.
 - c. Buckwheat Festival went really well – our band won First Place!
 - d. There are additional parades coming up: Halloween Oct. 31 starts at 6:30pm, Veterans Day parade is Nov. 4th, and we will participate in both the Waynesburg and Mt. Morris Christmas Parades in December.
 - e. The new ‘pull-out’ schedule for middle school kids is helping our middle school students.
 - f. Christmas Concert is Friday, December 8th at WCJSHS. The 5th and 6th grade bands will be joining us for a song.
 - g. Mr. Mason is working on private lesson accessibility for all students from elementary school and up.
 - h. Mr. Mason is working on small ensembles, like jazz band. Ensembles meet one day a week typically, and will not start till after football season.
 - i. Red Ribbon Day – we could consider opening concessions for October 19th, from 1pm on. Lori Whipkey and Kate Graham said they could potentially help. This will also be discussed with the concession committee head who could not attend tonight’s meeting.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by was made by Janelle Wise and seconded by Katy McCracken. Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.