

**Minutes of North Stafford Band Boosters
Board of Directors Meeting
January 19, 2010**

- Board members in attendance: Robin Keller (President), Lola Cruise (Vice President), Lisa Cottrell-Cumber (Parliamentarian), John Mahon (Treasurer), Kim Matalavage (Secretary), Austin Nicholas (Director of Bands).
- Robin Keller opened the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Miscellaneous:

- We need a nominating committee formed in February. Last year Kim Matalavage and Geni Thomson each called half of the alphabet seeking members interested in running for an office. Nominations are in March and elections are in April. We were a month behind last year.
- Mr. Nicholas thanked us for supporting his trip to Chicago. Due to weather here, not there, he was delayed in returning 2 days. He acquired 2 tunes for wind ensemble and an online piece to rehearse.
- The jazz band has trumpet mutes and they are set. A survey in class shows that, in symphonic band, there is not uniformity of sound. We need straight mutes.....we typically purchase from Washington Music Center. They are to send an amount. If it is less we will go with them versus the \$26/mute including shipping and handling. We may get a better deal with our tax exempt status. So we approved \$156 and the band keeps the mutes.
- Kim will do the agenda for each meeting. Robin is to give her the CD that Jerilyn gave her in June 2009. Kim will use it for formatting the agenda to its original version.
- Our last fundraiser (with the exception of tag day) goes to students tomorrow and we will stop it February 5th so students have almost 3 weeks to sell the cookie dough. All monies go to the students' accounts and this will happen in time for the funds to be used for the trip to Florida.
- We did not have to pay a cent for the show t-shirts that did not turn out. Turning to a more reliable/reputable company, Jonathan and Company, we approved band trip t-shirts related to our overture show and our 20 year honor band status. They are going to be good.
- We have all 8 chaperones we need for the spring trip. 2/10 is when \$200 is due and 3/17 is when the final payment of \$185 is due.
- Last year the band boosters paid for the students' breakfasts. This year students only need to pay for lunch the first day. This will be in southern Georgia at a Shoney's that is actually good. All students will pay \$5 cash prior to departure and this will be held securely so students do not spend it on souvenirs and have no money for a fast food breakfast on the way home. Also, a new tradition that Mr. Nicholas would like to start is having the seniors only do a dinner with him one night of the trip. The board loved the idea and approved it. If it shall cost more than \$500, the vote will be brought before the general membership.
- All county was canceled due to snow but may be rescheduled for the 19th and 20th of February, depending on whether or not enough students/directors can do it for a balanced sound. Two students made 1st chair but could not participate on the original date. To be fair, they will participate but so will their alternates.

- We need \$10 for the director's fee for all district band to be held on 2/5 and 2/6. 10 of our students made it this year!!! And we have 3 eligible to audition for all state at JMU on 2/27.....DJ B., Peige K., and Myles M. All-District is at King George High School and students pay all but \$15 of total cost. \$5 typical VBODA fee and each student pays \$27 prior to the event.
- We need to form a scholarship committee. Senior parents cannot be on it and blank forms students use to apply need to be to Mrs. Smithey in the counseling center by April 1st.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM.