





**Minutes of North Stafford Band Boosters
Board of Directors Meeting
November 16, 2009**


 Board members in attendance: Robin Keller (President), Lola Cruise (Vice President), John Mahon (Treasurer) arrived late from commuting, Lisa Cottrell-Cumber (Parliamentarian), Kim Matalavage (Secretary), Austin Nicholas (Director of Bands).

 Robin Keller opened the meeting at 6:41 p.m.


Miscellaneous at beginning of meeting:

 Do we want to take the specific money amounts off of the minutes and keep that information more private in the future? Yes.


 There is no meeting in December, board or general membership. There really is no need.


 During the March general membership meeting, we will focus on the spring trip.


 In March, John Mahon's son can still help with the risers for the band room.


 We need to increase the dues next year. We needed to this year but did not due to the recession. Be nice if we could give a cut on the dues if parents volunteered!

Concessions:


 For the game Friday, 11/20/09, we have 9 signed up to work concessions. We need 5 more and do not know who is on grilling yet.

 Kyra Potts and Geni Thomson will not be available so Robin will be in charge alone.

 They are calling for rain Friday, of course. We have baked goods left over from the end of the year band picnic for the upcoming game. By the way, the end of the year picnic went great and thanks for all who helped.

 When and where will future football games be played if we win on the 20th? (Note: we did not win).

Fundraising:

 The coffee flyers are out. We ran out so better that the desire to sell coffee was there and some were not given one than to have them sitting in the band room with no one interested in raising money for the spring trip, etc.

Website:

The website needs updating: October minutes went on today and the calendar was updated as well. We will pass around the minutes to be approved since many have not had the opportunity to read them yet. People can read go to the part of the schedule that relates to the band they or their child are in on our website now.

Upcoming events:

♪ We are not hosting all county this year. December 8th (Tuesday) is the symphonic and wind ensemble concert. On the 16th (Wednesday) is the percussion and jazz concert. All county auditions are Monday the 7th and all district auditions are Saturday the 12th at Colonial Forge High School. We may have frozen left over baked goods for the 8th. And we have the juice for the punch frozen as well. So we need to word the email so some parents bring cookies but not too many.

We will only share our concert with the strings during our fall concert from now on.

All county is free but all districts is \$5.....each VBODA event is to keep the organization up and running. Thursday PM is the deadline and Mr. Nicholas will need a check from John Mahon, treasurer. 24 students have signed up so far and this will be for 24 times \$5.

Spring trip:

After 12/15/09, Mr. Nicholas will lock in on the price. Depends on how he books it, piecemeal versus a package deal. Last year chaperones paid the same. We will probably have to follow suit this year. We take the total cost and divide it by how many are going. 2 chaperones are in a room and 4 students are in a room. We will do festival if that is the only way the jazz band can perform. It would be nice for the students to have some fun together time. We are going to do the evening electric parade this year. Mr. Nic did it and it is an awesome experience to have an audience of 40,000. Robin Keller is going for the first time and we need 6-10 chaperones, 1 per 10 children. We need the entire drumline to go.

Next general membership meeting is in the band room at 7:30 pm on November 16 th, 2009.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM.