

Leonardtwn High School Band Booster General Assembly Meeting Minutes
January 21, 2015

The meeting started at 5:30 with the reading of the minutes from the previous General Assembly meeting. These minutes were approved.

Presidents Report:

- The trailer logo will be put on in March. The Tech Center will be doing the work. The logo has been submitted to the Tech Center. The cost will be \$160.
- The tractor used in March Band is damaged and needs to be fixed. The Boosters have decided to hold off on this for now. Mr. Pearson doesn't think the tractor is going to be needed for next years show. If it is needed, and it definitely needs to be fixed, the cost could be around \$600 or more.
- In the fall, a Union donated \$5,000 for the purchase of new drums for the Drumline. This logo needs to go on the trailer. D&G Customs has agreed to put this logo on for free. This will be complete when the weather gets warmer.

Treasurer Report:

- The President passed around the latest budget report in the Treasurer's absence. Any questions, please direct them to the President or Treasurer.

Fundraising Report:

- Dine to Donate's have not been very successful. It has been suggested to maybe try again in the spring when the weather is warmer.
- The Rhythm Run is going to be moved to a new venue. This is being worked by the Rhythm Run chairperson. More to follow on this.
- The comedian who was going to do the Comedy Show had to cancel. The show will be rescheduled for a later date.
- A question was asked about which student won the prize for selling the most during the Claires fundraiser. The President will look into this for an answer.

Basket Bingo:

- A powerpoint presentation was shown by the chairperson.
- The Basket Bingo will be held on March 28, 2015 at the Elks Lodge in California, MD.
- This is one of the Boosters biggest fundraisers. The profit from last year's Basket Bingo was \$2,176.50.
- This year the expenses are looking to be reduced to try and gain a bigger profit.
- Currently businesses are being solicited. A list of businesses already contacted was handed out. If anyone would like to contact businesses, please contact the chairperson so she can add the business to the list.
- An article is being written to be published in the Enterprise. This will be done close to the event date.
- A list of volunteers needed was provided. Please contact the chairperson if you would like to help out.
- A list of baskets and the prices have been sent to parents. Please consider sponsoring a basket.

New Business:

- The Boosters are attempting to buy a pre-built shed to store all of the marching band equipment. The shed has to be at least 12x16 in size to fit the scaffolding. A letter was received from 84 Lumber stating that they could not help. Once the tax exempt form is complete a member of the Booster's is going to go to Home Depot. Mr. Pearson has offered to assist.
- The 2013 March Band show had trees as props. Mr. Pearson has lent them to Great Mills for their Winter Guard show. Once these trees are returned, they will be broken down and all useable hardware will be saved.

Mr. Pearson Report:

- Mr. Pearson wanted to thank everyone for coming to the meeting. He also wanted to point out the new set-up of the band room.
- An email has been distributed with new concert dates. If you didn't receive it, please contact Mr. Pearson.
- There have been questions about where the fees go that parents pay for at the beginning of the school year. Mr. Pearson explained to parents that the fees go in a fund that he holds. There is a performance account and a uniform account. The performance account basically keeps the band running by purchasing items needed within the classroom. The uniform account was used this past Marching Band season to buy new plumes. None of this money is sent to Central Office. The only thing that goes to Central Office is instrument rental fees.
- Mr. Pearson would like for parents to contact him immediately with any questions or concerns they may have. He is available through email, work phone and cell phone. He stressed that he would like to handle concerns at his level before getting higher management involved.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35.