

# Shakopee Band Booster Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 14, 2015, 6:30p.m., SHS Band Room

**Next meeting:** Monday, October 5, 2015, 6:30pm, SHS Choir Room

## **Band Booster Officers:**

President: Nicko Spehn

President-Elect: Paula Gustafson

Secretary: Jennifer Flaten

Treasurer: Julie Martini

Band Director: Eric Christenson (952) 496-5116 [echriste@shakopee.k12.mn.us](mailto:echriste@shakopee.k12.mn.us)

Assistant Band Director: Mitch Evett (952) 496- 5152 [mevett@shakopee.k12.mn.us](mailto:mevett@shakopee.k12.mn.us)

**PR Chair:** Jody Brennan

**Attendees:** Jennifer Flaten, Mitch Evett, Paula Gustafson, Julie Martini, Eric Christenson, Jody Brennan, Jill Drees, Lisa Swanson, Lynn Bowman, Melissa Ritchie, Andraea Smith

**Band Booster Officers/Directors Absent:** Nicko Spehn

Meeting called to order at 6:33pm.

**Secretary's Report:** Jennifer Flaten presented for June 2015. Motion to pass meeting minutes made by Julie, seconded by Jody. Voice vote and approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Julie Martini presented Treasurer's Report. Current fund balance: \$5,130.06. Motion to pass Treasurer's Report made by Paula, seconded by Jill. Voice vote and approved.

- \$270.00 in payments not received from 2015 Banquet attendees.
- \$20.00 All-Sate Audition payment not received. Eric & Mitch will contact the student and get payment.
- 2015 Band Booster Scholarships still need to be paid.
- IRS situation is all good and the SHS Band Boosters are set to proceed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **2015-16 Band Fundraisers:**

Cubs Bagging: Jennifer has submitted the letter to Shakopee Cub Foods and requested December 22-24, 2015 for the SHS Band to bag groceries. Should have a response by end of September.

Music in the Parks: Mitch Evett, Coordinator. May 14, 2016 AND May 21, 2016.

### **2017 Tour Band Fundraisers (individual student fundraising opportunities for those going on tour):**

Fruit Sale: Paula Gustafson is the Fruit Sale Coordinator for 2015-16. November 2015.

Silent Auction: Jennifer Flaten, Coordinator. Monday, December 7, 2015 in conjunction with the Winter Band Concert. Those students going on tour and who make a donation to the Silent Auction will receive a portion of the Silent Auction proceeds.

Droolin' Moose: Jennifer Flaten, Coordinator. January 2016.

Van Hansen: Nicko Spehn, Coordinator. April/May 2016.

**2017 Tour Band Meeting:** Tentatively scheduled in November 2015.

### **2015-16 Pep Band T-shirts:**

Black shirts have arrived. White shirts coming. Eric decided against ordering Red shirts. Eric had issues ordering the shirts this year with the vendor, Blue Moose. Will look into a new vendor for the 2016-17 year.

**2015 Band Boosters Scholarships:**

Julie will contact both the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and the University of Wisconsin-Madison to find out how the Band Boosters are to pay for the 2015 Scholarships. Payment will go directly to the scholarship winners' colleges.

**2016 Band Boosters Scholarships and Plaque:**

There will be two \$500 Scholarships given out to 12<sup>th</sup> grade band students who are pursuing their education and scholarships will be paid directly to those institutions. One scholarship will go to the top scoring boy and one scholarship will go to the top scoring girl. Application consists of questions regarding their instrumental participation/activities/honors/etc. plus an essay question. All applications will be blind.

Band Boosters will purchase a plaque to hang in the Band Room at SHS that will have nameplates added to it each year. Eric will let us know at the next meeting what that estimated cost will be.

**Concert Program Advertisements and Tiered Donations:** Mitch presented.

- Concert Program advertisement prices determined but will not implement for the 2015-16 year since will start with the Tiered Donations.
- Tiered Donations: Mitch will send out a hard copy letter to local businesses and band parents to inform them of our new donation program for the SHS Band Boosters. Letter will also be in the Alumni Facebook group. Those that donate will have their name listed in all of the 2015-16 Band Concert programs. There are 4 levels and they are:
  - Member: \$50
  - Section Principal: \$100
  - Concertmaster: \$250. Those that donate at this level will also have their logo in the programs in a small font.
  - Conductor: \$500+. Those that donate at this level will also have their logos in the programs in a large font.

Paula motioned that these Tier Levels be accepted, Jill seconded. Voice vote and approved.

First concert is on December 5, 2015, so deadline to submit donations to be in this program will be around Thanksgiving.

**2016 Band Banquet: Wednesday, May 18, 2016**

Julie motioned for the 2016 Band Banquet to take place in the SHS Commons and that the cost per non-band student to attend is \$12.00. Jody seconded, voice vote and approved.

- Location: SHS Commons.
- Time: Banquet will begin at 6:30pm with the meal, followed by the program at 7pm.
- Cost: \$12/non-band student (this includes siblings, parents, etc.). Current band students (10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) will be paid by the Band Boosters. All attending MUST PRE-PAY.
- Food/Drink: Nicko will coordinate the Food and Drink from Bucca at the Eden Prairie location. Would like them to cater the drinks as well.
- Cakes: Julie will coordinate and order from Shakopee Sam's Club.
- NO Chocolate Fountain for 2016. A couple of parents talked to Julie about not having the chocolate fountain at the 2015 banquet. Julie asked if they would like to coordinate it for the 2016 banquet, they both declined.
- Banquet Programs: Jennifer Flaten will coordinate.
- Registration/invitation to Band Banquet: Will be sent out via Infinite Campus with a Google document link for registration. This document will be revised to let families know that everyone must pre-pay in order to attend. Google document will also include a section where parents can sign up to volunteer to help with the Banquet. Eric & Mitch will send out the invitation.
- 2016 Budget for Banquet: \$1,500.00
- Parent Volunteers: Will need around 15 parents to assist with the banquet.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Sabers Marching Band:** Goal is to begin in Fall 2018.

**Concession Stand Fundraising:** SHS Student Council is no longer running all the concession stands. Eric will inquire to see if there are any openings for the 2015-16 Boys Basketball or Girls Basketball games. Band Boosters will also try to get some 2016 Football games.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.

## **Upcoming Events:**

**2015-16 Band Boosters meeting schedule:** **All meetings will be at 6:30pm in the SHS Band Room.**

Monday, October 5, 2015  
Monday, November 2, 2015  
Monday, November 30, 2015  
Monday, January 4, 2016  
Monday, February 1, 2016  
Monday, February 29, 2016  
Monday, April 11, 2016  
Monday, May 2, 2016  
Monday, June 6, 2016

### **2015-16 Band Events:**

#### **Pep Band for 2015 Football Games:**

Friday, September 25 at 7pm – ALL  
Friday, October 2 at 7pm - ALL

Jazz Bands and Percussion Ensemble Concert: Saturday, December 5, 2015 at 7pm at SHS – JBI, JBII, PE

Winter Band Concert & Silent Auction: Monday, December 7, 2015 at 7pm at SHS. – SB, CB, WE  
Silent Auction begins at 6pm.

Local Solo & Ensemble Contest: Monday, January 25, 2016

South Suburban Conference Jazz Festival: Wednesday, February 17, 2016 – JBI

Wind Ensemble Mini-Tour: February 20-21, 2016 to UMD – WE

Region 2AA Solo & Ensemble Contest: Monday, February 22, 2016 at SHS

Jazz Bands and Percussion Ensemble Concert: Thursday, February 25, 2016 at 7pm at SHS – JBI, JBII, PE

South Suburban Band Festival: Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at Apple Valley – WE

Shakopee Band Festival Concert: Saturday, March 5, 2016 at 4pm at SHS – WE

Joint Concert with Minnesota Symphonic Winds (MSW): Sunday, March 6, 2016 at 2pm at SHS – WE

Mid-Winter Band Concert: Monday, March 7, 2016 at 7pm at SHS – SB, CB

Region 2AA Large Group Contest: Monday, March 21, 2016 at Waconia – SB, CB, WE

Region 2AA Jazz Band Contest: Monday, April 11, 2016 at Chanhassen – JBI, JBII

All-District Jazz Band Concert: Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 7pm at SHS – JBI, JBII

Spring Band Concert: Monday, May 9, 2016 at 7pm at SHS – SEJH 9, SB, WE

Spring Band Concert: Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 7pm at SHS – SWJH 9, CB, WE

SHS Band Banquet: Wednesday, May 18, 2016 - ALL

Memorial Day Program: Monday, May 30, 2016 at 10am at Memorial Park, Shakopee – WE

Concert in Huber Park: Thursday, May 26, 2016 at 7pm at Huber Park, Shakopee - WE

Commencement @ Grace Church: Saturday, June 11, 2016 at 5pm – WE, CB

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Jennifer Flaten, SHS Band Boosters Secretary on September 15, 2015.*