#### **DHS BAND BOOSTERS - MEETING MINUTES**

October1, 2014 (Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Tom!) *Meeting began 7:40pm* 

**Minutes:** September minutes were not voted on at this meeting as they were not yet ready. John Horn will email them out and they will be combined with October for approval.

### **Director's Report:**

**Jazz Band** has their first performance on Saturday, October 4. This historically was combined with the Natsoulos Jazz & Beat Festival, but as that event will not happen this year, the concert will be "Jazz on the Commons" and only include the DHS Jazz Band. It will take place in front of Whole Foods at 3:00pm. Help needed from Jazz band families with moving equipment. Please meet at 1pm to load. Student attire is black pants and band polos.

**Symphonic Band's** first concert is in November. Preparations are underway. Music this year will focus on people who have been awarded prizes (e.g., "Blue Ribbon", a piece commissioned by honoring Rosa Parks).

**Concert Band** is moving fast through their music. They are working on an artistically done piece entitled, "Short stories", really up-beat and fast piece.

**Pep Band** played at homecoming last week. There is a football game this Friday as well and then there is two weeks off. The last football game is the Friday before Halloween. The season is over two weeks earlier than usual this year. Pep band will then shift its focus to other opportunities.

**Community Concerts** are underway, including several musicals now starting up, including "Into the Woods", a Grimm's fairy tale. Several band members are performing.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Oct 4th (3:00pm) – Jazz on the Commons (Jazz Band)

Oct 23rd – Lamp Post Pizza Fundraiser

Oct 24th – Senior night football game (Pep Band)

Nov 4th - Rent-a-Band first rehearsal

Nov  $6^{th}\,$  – Jazz Band Recording (w/Tom Estes) for submission to Essentially Ellington and Monterrey festivals

Nov 18th - Symphonic Band concert

Nov 21<sup>st</sup> - Honor Band auditions are due to Dir. Slabaugh. All use same auditions. Will focus on All State now. Music and process now posted. Each person applying pays for self, school costs, Dir. Slabaugh pays membership dues (about \$300).

Dec 9th - "Jazz Extravaganza" concert

#### **COMMITTEE ITEMS:**

**Publicity** - John will be meeting with Sharon Knox who will lead publicity (e.g., newsletter, Facebook, media). Hoping to get a newsletter out soon.

**Polo Shirts** – Several orders have come in the mail. Gwynn will be processing those tomorrow.

**Jazz Band Tie** - Kyle Horn is bringing pictures of ties for students to vote on and make a selection on Monday.

**Pep Band T-Shirts** - Are also now available for purchase by parents/guardians.

**Band Member Registration Forms** – As technical difficulties continued, John Horn will be moving forward with the "old fashioned way", sending a sign up sheet home. This will also go out via the listserv and School Loop. Returned and completion of the form will be worth 20 points to the students.

**Direct Donation Drive** – John Horn will review and revise the letter before it goes out on the listserv. Dir. Slabaugh will look into printing mailing labels from the school. Direct drive theme is "Music to Your Ears", the same as last year. Wes Young will look into possibly adding PayPal onto the Band Booster's website this year.

**Scrip** – Jennifer and Rick Tan couldn't make meeting, but scrip is underway and really easy to do. The Tan's have the cards. Wes Young will add the Tan family email contact to the website so they can be contacted directly.

"I Give" – Katie Horn is looking into changing administrator rights to herself for the "I Give" site. It is a simple and easy way donate to the band. A % of proceeds purchased online goes to the Band Boosters when shopping online with companies such as Amazon. So far there hasn't been a lot of money raised (only \$50.00), but it is a simple and easy process.

**CD/DVD Recording** – John Horn is working to have upcoming four concerts recorded for CD/DVD sales, including Winter Rhapsady, Jazz Extravaganza, Senior Concert (May) and Jazz on a Summer's Eve.

**Jazz Invitational** – Will be at Brunnelle this year. DHS will be joined by UOP/Brubeck Jazz Ensemble.

**Monday Night Football Fundraiser** – 71 out of 100 squares have been purchased. Winner last week bought another square this week with proceeds. The Monday Night Football fundraiser has the potential to earn (depending upon payouts, if paid everyone every quarter this point forward) up to \$1,450. John Horn has been careful to email only those who have purchased squares and an occasional reminder to full list of the ability to participate.

**Bylaws** – Need to be updated soon for two reasons: 1) resolve timing gap of when the president is elected and school starts, and 2) to shift the fiscal year so it is inline with school year. John Horn is seeking volunteers to help revise bylaws before the end of the year.

**Holiday Jazz Alumni Concert** – There will again be a holiday jazz concert, with alumni returning to Davis from the break. In the past, 30% of the proceeds have gone to the Band Boosters. We are hoping to offer food for sale this year.

**Frederick Lange Scholarship** – Gwynn Benner has been in touch with Julie and will prepare an announcement for review and distribution. This needs to be completed before the December concert when the winner is announced. Dir. Slabaugh will contact junior high band directors to alert them this is coming and see if they want to include 7-8<sup>th</sup> graders.

**Spring Band Trip** – Katie Horn is hoping to start developing the schedule, reserving buses, and getting notice out to listserv with dates and request for first deposit. This will be due before the holidays. This is the easiest trip we do, as there is no flight involved. Payment can, therefore, happen later in the year. The San Diego trip costs will be covering busses and hotel and entrance to the zoo or a theme park. Total costs are estimated to be around \$400-500 per student. The trip will begin the last day of AP testing.

**Essentially Ellington** (May 7-9, Thur-Sat) – This would be a New York trip and an additional cost this year for the Jazz Band, if they get selected. The Jazz Band parents would need to to decide whether to support this additional cost. There may be a trade off decided about the Jazz Band participating in the spring trip as a result. Essentially Ellington conflicts with AP testing, which is Wed/Thur/Fri that week. (AP testing continues the following week and then the Spring Trip is scheduled).

**Rent-a-Band** - Diane Layman is coordinating this effort and will begin rehearsals in November. If anyone knows about parties, groups, concert opportunities, please let them know. Rent-a-Band is usually 4-5 students per ensemble. Wes Young will add notice and an application form to the Band Booster's website. Sharon Knox will look at adding this to the first newsletter.

**Lamp Post Pizza Fundraiser (Oct 23, 4-9pm)** – The Pep Band will play. This will be held at Westlake Plaza.

**Seeking Volunteers** – Several positions are still open (e.g., donations acquisition coordinator for Coconut grove silent auction).

**Honors Credit for Music Classes** – Dir. Slabaugh is trying to get honors designation for music. The UC is having a clinic on Oct 27 to roll out designation for honors and AP classes recognized by the UC. This would allow for additional points for honors study. All honors credit for Jr/Sr year are being revised by the entire UC system. They have said school sites can have honors designation as long as they are coupling class offered in non-honors (e.g., a high school must have English 10, not just Honors

English 10). Dir. Slabaugh is hopeful music will be counted as an honors course in future as it includes auditions for band Symphonic and Jazz Bands.

Minutes compiled by Gwynn Benner, Secretary

# Treasurer's Report

September 30, 2014

Savings \$ 15,804.34

<u>Checking</u> \$39,779.35

•	General Fund	\$ 3	31,218.35
•	Music Fund	\$	1,386.10
•	Scholarship Fund	\$	1,237.40
•	IPAB Fund	\$	3,132.50
•	Trips	\$	2,825.00

### Income:

Monday night Footbal Fundraiser	\$ 2825.00
Victoria Trip Pendin Payments	\$ 1460.00
Scrip Accounts	\$ 338.00
Polo Shirt Payments	\$ 96.00
Total:	\$ 4719.00

## Expenses:

Music Festival Registration Fee	\$ 955.00
Administration	\$ 500.00
Polo Shirts	\$ 934.00
Instrument repair and accessories	\$ 1189.00
Total	\$ 2644.00

Submitted by Deepali Bhargava, October 1, 2014

Adjourned, 8:40pm