

Emerson/DaVinci and Holmes Band Booster Meeting: Aug 28, 2012
Meeting #1 for 2012-2013

Attending: Clyde Quick, Tom Slabaugh, Holmes BB members, Matt Richter (Pres), Brigitte Chertok (VP), Jennifer Kimzey (Treasurer), Gordon Caulkins, Bob Svoboda, Jonathan London, Lisa Oakes, Jerry Igelsrud, Shula Glazerman, Marien Sorensen, David Everitt, Mike Paskowitz, Toby Adams, Jean Adams, Katie Horn, John Horn, Catherine Keeley, Len Gray, Brandon Forest, Maureen Forest, Jody Lusebrink, Laura Van Winkle, Jan Uriu-Adams, Julie & Mike McCauley

(24 people!)

Working Agenda:

- 1) introductions - combined
- 2) upcoming events - combined
- 3) secretary needed - E/D
- 4) budget report - E/D
- 5) instrument repairs - E/D
- 6) t-shirts - E/D with help from H
- 7) fundraising (car wash and direct appeal) - E/D
- 8) year overview - E/D

Notes:

Great to see so many people. Mostly 7th grade parents. Keep coming!

Sorry for disorganization. I promise we'll get better. Suggestions/Questions are welcome. Thanks to Shula Glazerman for volunteering to take notes during combined session.

1) introductions - combined

Mr. Quick, Mr. Slabaugh, Anna Grace (Holmes BB president) and I introduced ourselves. Anna Grace and I each provided a quick summary of previous year. For Emerson/DaVinci:

- Fall car wash, raised ~ \$1200
- October: Direct fundraiser for parents
- December: Holiday concert
- January: Coordinated transport for students in North Bay Honor Band
- March: Mr. Slabaugh worked with bands as a visiting conductor
- May: Concert and Intermediate band concert, Jazz Band and Jazz Choir concert
- Other Fundraising: bake sales at concerts, direct appeal for funds for Music in the Park.

2) upcoming events - combined

- October school concert (Emerson is 10/12). Emerson/DaVinci music groups play at school. Just for the kids.
- March Band Festival may include other bands from region and DHS. If so, likely will be Fri/Sat event (Mar 22/23).
- Possible Festival of the Arts outdoor concert for all Davis groups.

3) *Director's report - combined*

- Instrument repair estimate at Emerson/DaVinci for larger and rarer instruments (e.g. tuba, bassoon, baritone sax) is ~\$1600. See below for more details.
- Looking to get some racks for music stands and chairs to make band room tidier. Maybe around January.
- Looking to have a common T-shirt for both Emerson/DaVinci and Holmes. Students should have gotten information about design contest. Sharon Permzic has kindly volunteered to coordinate for Emerson/DaVinci.

4) *DHS band news - combined*

- There will be an opportunity for 9th graders to join the DHS band at the Homecoming Football game (Oct 19). Details for students will come at class.
- Playathon, if it happens, will be Feb 18 (TBC). Again, 9th graders get to play with DHS band.
- Coconut Grove (Jazz band performing with DHS and others) is scheduled for Mar 9

5) *Clothing Exchange - combined*

Is there interest in having a clothing exchange (old concert dress made available for newer students)? If so, let me know via email (richthand@gmail.com). We'd need someone to volunteer for coordinating. Best if we could include other groups (e.g. Holmes, DHS).

6) *Band Booster Secretary -E/D*

Bob (or Juilien) Svoboda volunteered. Thanks!

7) *Budget report -E/D*

- Ended last year with around \$5k. Expenses over summer brought us to ~\$4400. Of this, \$932 already earmarked for instrument repair, so under \$3500.
- **NOTE:** Question came up about total budget during year. In rough numbers, last year we took in \$13k in donations (direct appeal, car wash, bake sale, etc.) and spent \$16k (Music in the Park, instrument purchase).

8) *Instrument Repair - E/D*

- Over the summer, instruments went for repair and the cost was about \$1k. This was originally thought to be paid by Principal, but funds proved unavailable. Mr. Quick is looking at how much, if any, money the school can come up with. Vote was taken and we approved use of Band Booster funds to pay the outstanding invoice. If school funds become available, Mr. Quick will use them for other instruments.
- As mentioned above, many school instruments require maintenance and/or repair. Vote was taken to approve \$1605 for these repairs. Mr. Quick feels this will both get

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all instruments playable now for interested students and be an investment in reducing costs in the future.

- **NOTE:** At the meeting, it was asked what instruments Band Boosters have purchased over the years (since 2004). Looking at inventory prepared last year, we have purchased 15 instruments ranging in price from \$25 finger cymbals to a \$4500 baritone sax. We've also purchased or contributed to stands and chairs for the band room.

9) *Fundraising - E/D*

Two events coming up. Both may require volunteers (we will create a sign-up genius web site and publicize using listserv). Trying to get a car wash organized. Time and place TBD, but hope to have it while weather is warm. Direct fundraising appeal (tea letter) will come in October.

That's enough for one night. I'll be seeing many of you at back-to-school night, particularly for parents of new band members to learn about Emerson/DaVinci Band Boosters.