Ross Band Booster Meeting Minutes 3/7/2023

Attendance: Ron Meade, Jennifer Krabbe, Jeane Johnson, Richard Roemer, Andrew Morelock, Mary Ann Henninger, Shawn Vanover, Jayme Leinberger, Heather Garrow, Suzette Reid, Krista Rousch, Scott Tabar, John Lee, Emily LaValle, Linda Swarthwood, and Jena Poppe.

The meeting was conducted in person at 6:30pm in the Ross High School Band Room. The meeting was opened with The Pledge of Allegiance, led by President Ron Meade.

- Secretary's Report: The waving of the reading of the February Meeting Minutes was motioned by Mary Ann Henninger and seconded by Suzette Reid.
- Treasurer's Report: The reading of the Treasurer's Report was motioned to be accepted as presented by Mary Ann Henninger and seconded by Jayme Leinberger.
- Directors' Reports:
 - o Mr. Roemer:
 - Mr. Becker is doing a great job. It's been very nice to have a woodwind instructor to add to the team.
 - High School Band is getting ready for the end of the year concert at Conzart.
 - Getting ready for Opening Day Parade and New York City performance.
 - Opening Day is March 30, time TBD.
 - Indoor percussion group is doing great. MEPA bumped them up a class because of their success. Disappointed that the competition here was canceled due to groups dropping out.
 - Updated banners in the band room for state finals.
 - New York Trip Meeting two weeks from tonight, March 21, 6:30pm, in the PAC. Intrepid Performance is April 6, 2:30pm. Itinerary will be presented that night.

o Mr. Morelock:

- 3 concerts in one week during May for 8th graders
- Chaperones needed for Kings Island. Sign Up sent out. Working on making it a better experience.
- Solo and Ensemble Contest March 25. 30 total events attending which is quadruple from last year. Asking for money to compensate for fees, need about \$200. Mary Ann Henninger moved to approve the \$204 needed, Suzette seconded the movement. Motion was approved by unanimous vote.
- Mr. Becker is doing a great job.

Old Business

- Scholarship in the works. Need to get all the documents together.
- Booster Bylaws need to be updated. Committee needed and rules for 503c followed.
 Tabled for the summer.
- Bourbon raffle drawing tonight at Skyline.

New Business

 RMS Rep to be added. Will be addressed at upcoming concerts and presented at the fall new band meeting. We will define the purpose of the position when we work on the bylaws.

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- Elections-nominations presented at the next meeting and then elections will be at the May meeting.
- Ron was contacted by the Ross Community Foundation. Their goal is an offshoot of the Hamilton Community Foundation to donate grants/scholarships. They are awarding money from \$500-\$5000 to any Ross organization. They are looking for need impacted merit. (see attached notes). Could be used to help fund our scholarship. Deadline is April 15 for this year.
- Spring Raffle: Tickets are printed and being distributed. Sign up Genius to be put out for donations.
- Band Banquet: Pulled pork and shredded beef sandwiches, he will donate buns. Running about \$7 per person. Maybe cut down a little on potluck items.
- Membership (Jennifer Estridge)
 - Updated list on website
- Retail/Merchandise Fundraisers
 - Mike's Car Wash–sold a couple last night but we want to create a Google Form to send.
 Will run through Band in the Round. Maybe create QR Code.
 - o Kroger Rewards sent a check for \$130.54.
 - Amazon Smiles made a deposit. Should be the last one.
 - Raise Right (Mary Ann Henninger)--need to work on getting people to join, may be a replacement for Amazon Smiles
- Other Fundraisers
 - Band Savings Cards (Ron Meade)
 - Still have plenty to sell and will sell at concerts and other events. Ms. B has money from hers that were sold.
- Motion to adjourn by Jayme Leinberger, seconded by Mary Ann Henninger.

Upcoming Events (March - April)

- Percussion Hamilton comp: Sat Mar 18
- RHS NYC Trip Meeting: Tue Mar 21
- RMS OMEA Solo and Ensemble Contest (Blanchester): Sat Mar 25
- Percussion Vandalia Butler comp: Sat Mar 25
- RHS Reds Opening Day Parade: Thu Mar 30
- Percussion Possible MEPA Prelims and Finals - Wright State Univ: Sat-Sun Apr 1-2
- RHS NYC Trip: Mon Apr 3 Fri Apr 7
- RHS+RMS Bands in the Round concert: Wed Apr 12

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, MARCH 28, 2023