

West Forsyth Band Boosters
March 17, 2015 7:00 PM
Meeting Minutes

Board Members present: Nicole Martin –President, Paul Mulvey- Treasurer
Board Members absent: Kevin Miller-Vice President, Kimball Newman-Vice
President, Connie Morrow-Secretary

Mr. Gallagher – absent
Mr. Keegan – arrived late

There was a motion to open the meeting by Nicole Martin, seconded by Ali Keys at 7:04pm.

Spring Concert – NOT May 1st – unless another venue can be found
Nicole communicated a message from Mr. Gallagher he wanted to let everyone know the spring concert is cancelled due to lack of venue. No specifics were given. An option proposed was to have it at the Band Banquet. That was dismissed due to the logistics of the stage needed for awards and not to take away from that. No other options were discussed. Subject open for later discussion.

Band Banquet – May 15th - Shelia Castelein

Mrs. Castelein presented to the Boosters her plans for the Band Banquet. She has spoken to and secured the date with Café Nuevo for \$15 per person that is all-inclusive with servers, meals, drinks, desserts and tip. All were in agreement of price and vendor. Discussed having the Indoor Drumline perform their show that was agreed.

Drumline – Mr. Keegan arrived during this discussion

Paul discussed the drumline finances as shown on the financial review handout. Nicole discussed having fundraisers using the Battery play for tips at Walmart to make up deficient. Ali Keys suggested Chik-Filet. Nicole will make contacts. It was discussed whether the Indoor Drumline would compete next year with the possibility of a trip. Mr. Keegan would like to keep the momentum and continue for next year. He also spoke about another drumline purchasing our backdrops and costumes.

Performance Ensemble

Paul discussed the Ensemble is under budget this year. They have had the same issues as Drumline due to weather and cancelling competitions.

Financial Report

Paul discussed the overall finances of the Boosters. Boosters are in good shape financially with a \$10,000 excess to carry forward into the new year and lower dues for next year. Kevin Troop mentioned we wouldn't have a year like this again because we hosted Forsyth County Exhibition. Nicole explained that as that is true would like to implement a Spring Fundraiser to continue this up trend in finances. A couple of options were discussed such as, Indoor Drumline Exhibition, Jazz Concert with dancing and dinner. Also, to get our Sponsorship back up. Next year is a trip year but one has not been decided yet. Paul and Nicole spoke about the board's desire to get the trip in place at the beginning of the school year (August) rather than after Marching Season to give band families a longer time to prepare.

2015-2016 Board Members/Committees

Nicole discussed that the Board would like to make some changes to structure of board members. Paul passed out a flowchart showing the changes and explained how responsibilities are now evenly spread between all board members. Concern was expressed over the need to have a nominating committee in place to begin the process. Also voiced was concern over lack of communication from the board. Nicole appreciated criticism and apologized for shortcomings of the board that it is only functioning with two members carrying more than their share of responsibilities for the board and many things have been dropped with that said was why this change is being proposed to the Boosters. Mr. Troop as a past Board member explained how the nominating committee for board members needed to be structured: Kathy Brooks, Wade Garmon, Jayne & Dan Apa volunteered for the nominating committee.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Paul Mulvey, seconded by Shelia Castelein.