Music Boosters Meeting Minutes, September 15, 2015

Present: Mike Matzymia, Deb Martin, Terri Taylor, Linda Calendrino, Mr. Floury, Ms. Busch, Judy Peruski, Lisa Margaret Martin.

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

Secretary’s report: none

Treasurer’s report: none

Choir Director’s report:

\*Ms. Busch would like to limit changes that she makes until she learns the routines of students a little better.

Band Director’s report:

\*New website has been made up, ChesaningBands.weebly.com. It is still in construction, you can link to it from the High School site.

\*Mr. Floury is starting up a Jazz Band. Signups for High School band students is until September 18th, 8th grade signups will be open the following week, and then signups will be open to non-band members after that.

\*Mr. Floury is looking at the possibility of switching music companies for future students. Meyer Music out of Grand Rapids, they are in the area on Wednesdays.

\*Discussion on purchasing another stand rack for the High School, Mr. Floury to check on prices.

\*Discussion on dry erase board for High School, school to take care of this.

\*Discussion on chairs being replaced at the High School, possibly school taking care of this.

\*Hat boxes and shoe boxes-would like to get rid of old hats and put ours in the boxes and overall organize how these items are stored.

\*Sound system in High School-there are good speakers, but old equipment. Possibly discuss at a later meeting on upgrading.

\*Uniform racks-Linda will get information on prices for possible purchasing of more. We will discuss at future meeting.

\*There are no covers for the xylophones, look at possible solutions to this. We will discuss this at a future meeting.

\*Uniforms will need to be fitted and hemmed for the marching band students who normally do not wear them (for competitions and festivals). Linda will need to make 2 more color guard uniforms. She needs to be compensated for making the existing and these 2, Deb made a motion to cover this cost, and Terri seconded it.

\*Discussion on bow ties, cummerbunds, shirts, pants. Cost of replacing some new and cleaning fees.

\*Choir and Band parent meeting Tuesday, September 29th at 7pm in the Middle School commons area. This is to meet the Band and Choir director’s, go over their handbooks, meet the Music Boosters board members, pay dry cleaning fees, get concert dates, and sign up for volunteering and parent emails to be notified of upcoming events.

\*Mr. Floury will be having after school rehearsals for marching band. He will be sending a copy of schedule home with students and will be posting it on the band website calendar. The rehearsal on Wednesday, October 14, at 8:00 pm, parents are welcome to come and see a preview of what marching band is doing.

\*MSU Festival in Owosso, Saturday, October 17th. Entrance fee of $75 and bussing fee of approximately $90. Lisa made a motion to approve this cost, Deb seconded the motion.

\*October 23rd is the date of the last game, band students will have a lock in at the Middle School following.

\*October 28th is the 7th and 8th grade fall concert. We may have a marching band appearance.

\*December 11th is the date set for the holiday concert.

\*February 16th is the date of the pre-festival concert. This will be High School and 8th grade, possibly 7th grade (unknown at this time). Mr. Floury has invited St. Charles and New Lothrop School Bands to this, he has contacted a clinician (Dave Zerbee) and the 3 schools will share the cost. They will take the suggestions that Mr. Zerbee has and apply to their music. This is to prepare the students for the March 4th and 5th festival concert in Perry. It is still not determined what time and order students will play there.

\*May 18th is the date of the Spring concert.

Old Business:

\*Linda to find out if St. Peter’s was billed for busing.

Craft Show Business:

\*Craft Show meetings to be October 6th, 20th and November 3rd, 17th and possibly 24th at 7pm in the Middle School Band room.

\*Mr. Floury to find out from Mrs. Soule if we can use the Middle School kitchen for the Craft Show.

\*We need to find someone to run the High School kitchen.

New Business:

\*Discussion of sending out blurb for volunteering forms and parent email addresses. Suggestion from Ms. Busch for a possible link on the school website for this information for parents to fill out at home.

\*Mr. Floury to look for video camera.

\*Mr. Floury to ask if/when shelves will be installed in the new Band barn.

\*Greenfelder’s barn needs to be cleaned out and stuff brought back to barn. We will set up a future date to do this.

\*Discussion on a “Concert in the Park”, in Showboat Park. We will discuss at a future meeting.

\*Discussion on having a Pit band for plays.

\*Mike made a suggestion of something he has wanted to see happen for a while-having a Band/Choir concert.

\*Discussion on uniforms-purchasing, students pay a portion, leave as it is. We will discuss at a future meeting.

\*This is Linda’s and Doris’s last year with students in band. They have in the past done the fitting, hemming , and making of uniforms. We need to start seeing if there are other parents that may be interested in this for future. Mr. Floury’s mom would possibly be able to hold “clinics” to help parents do this.

Next meeting possible discussions:

\*Concert in the Park.

\*Greenfelder’s barn cleanup.

\*Band/Choir concert.

\*Prices for stand rack brought in by Mr. Floury.

\*Cleanup of hat shoe boxes.

\*Sound system, discuss possible replacement.

\*Uniform racks, Linda to bring costs.

\*Xylophone covers, Mr. Floury to bring cover costs.

\*Replacement of bow ties and cummerbunds, Mr. Floury to bring costs.

\*Discuss possible changing of uniform costs. Keep as it is, student share cost, other suggestions.

Next regular Music Boosters meeting is on Tuesday, October 20th at 7pm in the Middle School Band room.

Next Craft Show meeting is on Tuesday, October 6th at 7pm in the Middle School Band room.

Respectfully submitted by Terri Taylor.