

## HBPA General Meeting, November 13, 2014

The meeting commenced at 7:00PM with a welcome from Jeff Cunningham, President.

**Casey Snider**, our Senior Drum Major, was in attendance representing her fellow Marching Hawks, and spoke to the group thanking HBPA for all their support during the season. To quote her, "You are always there and have everything we need, from bobby pins, Band-aids, to treats, and most importantly, support. We thank you!"

**Jeff Dooley, Treasurer**, gave the financial report which indicates that we are in "pretty solid" shape for now.

**Receipts:** SEVMG was a huge success, along with Concessions, both coming in over budget.

**Expenses:** Marching band travel expenses were under budget, and HBPA has a \$10,000 bus credit with Gaines Bus Company for future trips.

**Fundraisers:** The **Fruit Sale** is under budget. Less than two-thirds of the students participated in the sale. If your student opted out of fundraisers, please consider sending in the \$150 buy-out as soon as possible. **The NEW fruit delivery date is DECEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>.**

**Raffles tickets** are being sold for \$10 each. All students are asked to sell at least 10 tickets. If you have not picked yours up, see Denis Johnson as soon as possible.

The **Craft Show** is being held on November 15, 2014 from 9:00AM – 4:00PM in the commons area of HHS. Jennifer reports that all spots have been filled, and there is a waiting list. Small concessions will be sold at the event.

**SCRIP, and Amazon Smile** are both in full gear, and are a great way to earn money for your student's account, as well as the band's, while Holiday shopping for your loved ones. Contact Kevin or Lynette Ritter for information regarding SCRIP, and Jeff Dooley for Amazon Smile.

**Committee Chairs** gave reports from the marching season indicating that things went well, and they appreciate all the volunteers for their help in making the season such a success.

### **Budget Items:**

HBPA voted to fund four \$500 scholarships for seniors desiring to further their education, and to fund two \$250 scholarships for underclassmen to assist them with musical endeavors such as private instruction, Drum Corps, Bay Youth, and ..... A committee will be formed and information provided in December.

Winter Drum line is beginning for the first time in a few years, and was not included in the original budget. Based on the financial report, HBPA voted to budget \$2000.00 to assist with expenses.

## **Mr. Enloe/Ms.Cox**

**Winter Concert Update:** Concert dates are December 9th, 10th, and 11th. Specific dates for each ensemble will be given at a later date. Attire for the concert bands is as follows: Boys- white tux shirt, bow tie, cummerbund, black dress pants, socks, and shoes, Girls- Black dresses that need to be purchased for \$65, and black shoes. Make checks payable to HBPA, and address any questions to Mr.Cox. Plans are being coordinated with the cultural arts department to make for an evening of great fun. We strongly encourage ALL members of HBPA to come out and support the concert bands, as they swing into the holiday season.

**The Great Bridge Christmas Parade** is on December 6<sup>th</sup>. Students will rehearse on that day, and times will be announced at a later date.

**District auditions** are being held at Western Branch High School on December 13<sup>th</sup>. Forms and money for the auditions are due to Ms.Cox as soon as possible.

**Winter Guard and Percussion** will begin rehearsals next week, Tuesday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>. Guard will rehearse from 4:00PM to 7:00PM, and Percussion from 4:00PM to 6:00PM.

Ms. Cox reminded parents of **Smart Music**, and is asking students to check dates, and send assignments on time. As the year progresses, more assignments will be added.

Mr. Enloe shared that he will be working with the Drum Corps Association, in the Bushwhackers Corp, as the Brass Supervisor. It is a summer Corp based out of New Jersey, with rehearsals once a month, possibly 8 shows, and a July 4<sup>th</sup> parade. The cost is \$1,000.00 for the season. See Mr. Enloe if interested.

**Jeff Cunningham** closed the meeting encouraging ALL HBPA members to stay motivated and to support ALL Hickory High Band Organizations. Members were asked to continue to check email, and use social media, Facebook, to stay in touch. Our goal is to continue to CELEBRATE the successes of ALL our programs. For "homework," Jeff C. has asked for ideas on how to keep everyone motivated, and engaged throughout the rest of the year.

**There will be NO December meeting. We will resume our normal meeting on January 8, 2015!**

The meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorie Wilson, HBPA Secretary