**LHS Band Parents Association General Meeting** **April 14, 2024**

**Present:** Elli Nyberg, Justin Endsley, Dawn Endsley, Stephanie Gongopolous, Lori Blom, Sonia Ohling, Drew Balta, Tiana Hodgins, Ben Hodgins, Tammy Allen, Mary Ann Sherman, Ande Carlson, KC Carlson, JoMarie VanWell, Todd Marlene, Astrid Potter, Alicia Peterson, Virginia Ochsner, Carmyn Berg, Rachelle Broveleit

**President’s Report**

Congratulations to all the Jazz ensembles for your performances & competitions. You make us proud! Also congratulations to each concert band on your stellar Washington Pavilion Spring Concert as well as the Symphonic Band flexing a bit for the Middle School Band Concert! Marching Band season is budding and we are all looking forward to Show Reveal!

Thank you parents and families for working the plethora of work shifts! We receive compliments on your work ethic, filling obligations over and above, how you cover for each other and cover open shifts that different places need filled in a pinch. This continues to build the strength of the reputation of the Lincoln Band Program. It’s the every day things that keep relationships with each other and our community strong!

At the upcoming Show Reveal Meeting we will have a brief Annual Meeting kept to announcing the nominees and then vote in the 24-25 Executive BPA Board Members. We received a few volunteer forms with the last email with that link and an new organizational chart has been developed and is on the web site. Thank you Erin Johanning for doing this!

We formed sectional groups on Heja to connect section parents, with the goal being able to ask questions there, e.g. can my kid get a ride to Spat Camp? Are the kids actually coming over to your house – do you know about this?, thinks like that! There is a “Parent Section Leader” in each section to facilitate things. Thanks to those of you who said yes to this!

I have been working on what our liability insurance covers for the BPA. Our liability insurance does NOT cover injuries incurred at work shift sites or any trips the band takes. Those medical costs are to be covered by the individual’s health insurance.

Charms will transition to a combination of CutTime and QuickBooks. We are making plans now with the transition to happen mid-July, after the Macy’s trip payments are complete through Charms.

Financial aid is a rolling process. We have granted much aid and looking at others as they come in. The Financial Aid fund is currently funded through the first $50 of tips from work shifts.

We continue to work diligently on the upcoming budget as the fiscal year ends May 31, 2024. We await the final results of the School District and SBI discussions on busing costs from the fall. There was some discussion on summer work shifts potentially going partially to ISAs and partially to Feed the Band, as we currently have $26,900 and need $86,000. It was decided after the meeting to leave work shifts as 100% to the ISAs, however this may change in the future. People have the option to work for things like Feed the Band, the Chaperones, the Box Truck to Macy’s, or another student, as long as the different option is listed on the Sign-In Sheet.

I received some comments Friday night after the Middle School Concert and I want to reiterate we are not just a marching band support, we are here to support every part of the Lincoln Band Program. With that said, the marching band is our biggest ensemble and thus expenses, so it is a big part of our planning. We continue to work on Macy’s planning. Thank you, parents, students, and families, for keeping up with payments through payments or fundraising. We have many ways to earn for your Macy’s trip and any other program ISAs that come up!

Our last planned spring fundraiser is coming up on May 4th, the Mattress Sale. It has potential to significantly affect the budget in the money positive way! Our main job is to get people to John Harris who are ready to purchase a bed! After this fundraiser, we have many, many work shifts coming throughout the summer to help you build your ISAs or work to help feed the band in New York, help with chaperone expenses, or help get our Box Truck with all our new uniforms, our infamous parade sign, and large instruments to New York!

Thank you all for all you do!

Elli Nyberg

**Secretary’s Report:**

• Minutes were reviewed electronically prior to meeting. Ande moved to approve and Sonja

 seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer Report:** by Wendy Bergan Balances as of 02/1/2024

**Balances as of 04/1/2024**

1. Checking - #527 $281,999.79
2. Box Truck - #2296 $1,403.92
3. Scripts - #329 $7,300.95
4. Alumni Association - #5025 $1,887.78

**Payments made**

1. Hauff Midamerican – sound tech uniforms - $367
2. Hyvee – grocery cards - $19,500
3. Hyvee – grocery cards - $28,854.58
4. Fareway – grocery cards - $5,000
5. Black Dog Storage – storage unit (Mar-May) - $390
6. Julie Hadley – Fall & winter guard drill - $5,500
7. Kayden Hoeke – guard staff & WG costume rmb – $1,588.19
8. The District – Jazz event venue pmt - $2,500 (Jazz paid back the night of the concert)
9. Randy’s Frozen Foods - Frozen food sales - $5,881.16
10. Alphagraphics – sponsor documents - $203.78
11. EMC insurance – liability/auto monthly - $678.87
12. Landscape Garden Center – gift cards - $4,717.50

**Notes**

1. 990 – complete
2. Transitioning all bank and treasurer duties to Stephanie Gongopoulos this week.

**Roadies:**

* Looked over maintenance with trailers. Tires needed on aluminum trailer. Do we even use it? Semi trailer tires should be okay for 24-25 season but the rear shock mount and shocks on the semi trailer need to be repaired. Getting estimates.
* Prop work has started.
* They are figuring out who will have the credit card for charging items.
* They need an oil change for the box truck.

**Fundraising Report:** by Lori Blom

• Total Raised to date: $70,000 or 20% of BPA goal

* Work Shifts: See above.
* Astrid Potter will be handling product sales now.
* Michael Martin will be handling sponsorships.
* We are applying for grants.
* Dining with the Band - May 7 at Texas Roadhouse. The gift cards we sold can be used.

**Chicken Dinner:** No report

**Silent Auction:** No report.

**Spiritwear Commitee:**

* We will sell our leftover stock at the meeting on 4/23/24.
* The committee met with Monarch to discuss ideas for generic wear, show shirts, and Macy’s merchandise.

**Festival Of Bands:** Need a chairperson.

**Car Raffle:**

• Tammy Allen discussed that we are at a holding point until we have the football schedule. Then we can plan the outline the raffle dates. We have requested to sell tickets at Fairway, Fleet Farm, Walmart, and HyVee.

**Mattress Sale:**

• May 4th, 10 am - 4 pm at John Harris Elementary. Need volunteers to put signs up and take down. We also need people on corners with signs. Rogene Brown will be there, as the directors will be at All State Jazz Band. It is a big fundraiser, and it heavily affects how we will meet our goals. We have social media presence, flyers, and emails to the whole school district as ways to get the word out. We will also have a commercial. Proceeds will go to BPA.

**Fundraising marketing:** No report

**Communications Report:**

**Web/Social Media/Marketing**: Ben reported from Erin that our social media presence has increased tremendously over the past year.

**Graphics/Design:** by Ben Hodgins

* He finished the files for fundraisers
* The show shirt will be worked on after 4/23/24 meeting.
* He will work with Elli to design some banners.
* He will be working 4 hours a week during the summer and 10 hours per week during the season on the designs.

**Video:** No report

**Database:** No report

**Director’s Report:** No report.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm.

Next meeting: May 5, 2024. 4 pm at Nyberg residence.

*Respectfully submitted, Rachelle Broveleit*