

PENNSBURY INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC BOOSTERS MEETING
Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2010

E-Board in attendance: Dave Willard, Stan Gursky, Pam Castellanos, Chris Herbst, Frank Mazzeo (band director).

Absent: Shelly Punchatz

Handouts on table: Agenda; Booster Meeting minutes – January 11, 2010; Treasurer's Report - March 2010; Ballot for 2010-11 Officers; Golf/Jazz Outing forms; Fundraiser materials

Meeting called to order by Dave Willard at 7:05 pm.

Secretary's Report - Approval of January 11, 2010 meeting minutes – Pam Castellanos:

- Minutes have been posted to the band website for the January 11, 2010 meeting.
- Motion to accept minutes: Amy Gallo/Eva Griffin (2nd). Minutes unanimously accepted.

Treasurer's Report – Chris Herbst:

- Budget for 2009-10 \$34,775. Expenditures through 2/7/10 \$20,565.
- Motion to accept Treasurer's report: Dawn Belser/Karen Gibbon (2nd). Report unanimously accepted.
- Proposed 2010-11 Budget presented. Total: \$37,020 Budget is flat except for two categories: bonding/insuring officers (\$900); additional clinicians (\$1,500). Student benchmark will remain at \$250.
- Proposed budget will go to vote at April 19th Boosters meeting. Questions: (chris@pennsburybands.org)

Nominating Committee – Dave Willard:

- Officers' Slate for 2010-11: Shelly Punchatz - President; Amy Gallo - First VP, Jon Shain - 2nd VP, Chris Herbst - Treasurer; Pam Castellanos – Secretary. Vote will be held at April 19th Boosters meeting. Contact Dave Willard (dave@pennsburybands.org) if additional nominations. Ballot will be posted on band website.
- Thanks to Nominating Committee: Dave Willard, Paul Adler, Deb Alleva, Karen Gibbon, Stan Gursky.

Golf and Jazz Outing (May 13, 2010) – Dave Willard:

- Link to Golf Outing section of website: <http://www.pennsburybands.org/golf>
- Major fundraiser for Band Boosters and students. If student owes for London trip or for this year's benchmark, can use this outing as fundraising opportunity. Earnings from ads, golf fees, etc. can either go toward next year's benchmark or can be refunded.
- Each band member strongly encouraged to get 1 golfer and 1 sponsor.
- Golfer fee: \$140 (includes lunch and prizes, etc.). Golfers can register online.
- Business sponsorship and ads range in price – ads will appear in two program books (March 27th and May13th) if received by March 21st.
- Student ads are \$15; a wonderful way to recognize student band accomplishments.
- Student earns 50% of all sales for this event.
- All forms are on the website.
- Volunteers to staff the Golf outing, being held at Makefield Highlands, beginning with 7:00 a.m. registration and continuing through the day. Contact to assist: dave@pennsburybands.org

Fundraising – Stan Gursky:

- Giant cards are available in \$100 increments, 5% goes into student account. Contact Krista Scheffler at (267) 679-2138 for details.

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- This month: Corbi's Pizza, Golf & Jazz golfer's fee and ads, WaWa coupons. Contact stan@pennsburybands.org

Band Director's Report - Frank Mazzeo:

- Thanks to those who helped with BCMEA auditions.
- PCJB has won several awards, at the Southern Reg NJ), Temple and Spring Ford festivals. All results and awards are listed on website at: www.pennsburybands.org/Bands/Jazz/PCJB.html . An additional competition may be added to PCJB schedule so that band can participate in the Cavalcade.
- A total of 55 students made counties, 20 made districts and 4 advanced to regionals.
- Diatonic lesson packages have been purchased for use in the music labs.
- **Jazz Festival (March 27th):** 5 Pennsbury jazz bands (PCJB, Lab Band and 3 middle school jazz bands) plus 3-4 jazz bands from other school districts. Festival begins at 6:00 p.m. Ticket prices: \$7.00 general admission; \$3 for seniors and students.
- **Kimmel Center Concert (May 24th):** Four bands will perform (Symphonic, Concert, 9th Grade and Middle School Honors). Posters available for display. Tickets will go on sale at April 19th meeting. Ticket prices: \$10 and \$20; seating chart will be available for ticket selection. Contact: pamcastellanos@comcast.net
- **Trombone Gala (May 30th).** Will feature Joe Alessi and Bill Watrous, a trombone choir, and band with Pennsbury alumni.
- **Band Banquet (June 6th)** at King's Caterers. Will begin at 5:00 p.m.
- Symphonic Winds auditions will be held soon – students received packets
- Marching Band officer audition packets will be distributed soon.
- **Marching Band Camp dates:** August 16-17 (freshman only); August 18-31 – (everyone).
- Marching Band schedule for 2010-11 will be quite different, with only one or two Sunday events (October Pulaski Day parade – tentative) and Tour of Bands Championships (October 31). Full schedule will be distributed at April 19th meeting.
- Band director received invitation for herald trumpeters to perform in the national Boy Scouts parade on July 25th; it is anticipated that as many as 8 students will go. (Waiting for board of education approval.)
- Staffing: Pennwood position will be open due to transfer; Mr. McGarry will move to orchestra and string instruction.
- Middle School String Honors Orchestra began this Spring.
- In response to question about how parents can support music program, Mr. Mazzeo stated that parents should go to every board meeting to become better informed.

Meeting closure – Dave Willard:

- Next meeting – April 19, 2010.
- Website for all band events and announcements → www.pennsburybands.org.
- Band hotline - 215-949-1510.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:50 pm: Jeff Herbst/John Hughes(2nd).

Respectfully submitted,
Pam Castellanos (Booster Secretary)