

Southwest High School Band/Orchestra
Booster Club Meeting
May 18, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by President, Keith Ralston.

Minutes: Minutes from the April meeting were provided by Secretary, Debbie Morse. Karen Koirtyohann motioned to approve the minutes. Vee Villanueva seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Alice Liu provided copies of a current treasurer's report. Jessie Nadel moved to approve the report. Leslie Horsley seconded the motion and the treasurer's report was approved. Until the new orchestra director is named, the booster club will delay discussing a proposed orchestra fee.

Old Business:

Banquet: President Keith Ralston asked for suggestions or comments for future banquets, however, no one offered either.

Band Trip: Mr. Dunn will address members in regard to the Chicago band trip after the booster club meeting.

Fundraisers: Karen Koirtyohann announced that the Ranger's fundraiser is going very well. We have had enough workers to sell some to other booths. She stated that she sold eleven workers over the last three days and raised \$825.00 for the booster club. It was discussed that part of the success thus far is because the Rangers have played well. It was also discussed that Karen has managed this fundraiser very well which has also contributed to its success. Karen asked for more volunteers to work. Volunteers were asked to email Karen if they wish to be put on the schedule (and not just show up.)

Kim Morse asked booster club members to please purchase flip-flops. The price has been lowered to \$10.00 per pair. Sales are very low. The flip-flops will be offered at freshman camp and freshman orientation.

Alice Liu is still waiting for a response from two different companies in regard to a banner (which will list the names of students who have qualified for the state contest for the past several years.)

New Business: Keith Ralston introduced Lisa Vanderbilt who is our web-master and thanked her for acting as liaison for Southwest/Wedgwood Middle School this school year.

Keith announced that he would like to see the equipment carts repaired or replaced this summer before marching season begins in the fall. He will identify needs and will perhaps ask for assistance with repairs.

Director's Announcements: Mr. Garcia announced the results of the Wind Ensemble Festival in Austin this past weekend. He explained that it was not a contest but rather a critique by college professors. All of the students participating in Wind Ensemble were awarded medals. This is the first time in four years since this has happened.

The Wind Ensemble will perform in concert tomorrow evening at 5:00 p.m.

A spring concert for the band has been cancelled due to the Swine Flu outbreak and subsequent schedule changes. On May 28th there will be a concert at Southwest by the Southwest High School Orchestra, the 6th grade band, and the Wedgwood Middle School band. The middle school band will be taped.

Mr. Dunn thanked the booster club for purchasing microphones.

Announcements: The next booster club meeting will be in August at the Howdy Picnic at a date to be announced later. The booster club board will continue to meet monthly during the summer. Keith Ralston asked all booster club members to update their Charms contact information so that they will receive important information in regard to band.

Leslie Horsley motioned for adjournment; Karen Koirtyohann seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

*A mandatory trip meeting for parents, students, and chaperones followed the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Morse, Secretary

Keith Ralston, President