

Minutes for Baker County Band Boosters Meeting

Call to Order

A meeting of the Baker County Band Boosters was held on April 5, 2022, in the BCHS band room. It began at 6:35 p.m. and was presided over by Elena Lowther.

Attendees

Elena Lowther, Robin Johnson, Andrew Lowther, Liz Cobb, Becky Dietrich, Jennifer Luke, Robert Luke, Amy Kreutz, Stacey Dopson, Janet Lane, Myles Moore, and Clay Keel

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Robin Johnson reported the following bank balances:

TRU-FI: \$ 9,483.07 [checking] and \$46.47 [savings]

First Federal: \$2,089.46

PayPal: \$200

Cash Box: \$200

Outstanding monies not yet deposited include: \$2,000 [overpaid charter bus company]; \$1,011.00 monies received for the end-of-year trip; \$1,000 donation from Phoenix Air; \$1,000 donation from the Baker Prevention Coalition; and \$225 donation from the Tanners

Robin also shared a draft of the budget for 2022-2023. It included corporate expenses, capital expenditures, regular expenses, a goal for fundraising and a running list of fundraisers. She will finalize this by next month's meeting.

General Business

1. Elena began the meeting by discussing where we are in terms of the ***end-of-year trip planning***
 - a) Money is being collected from students and their families. The deadline for receiving the money is Friday 4/8 and at the time of the meeting \$6,238 still needs to be collected.
 - b) This deadline was set so we could pay the charter bus company [which has been done]; the Universal tickets, Hard Rock Café, and the hotel.
 - c) The final count of rooms needed was 29 including 2 rooms for the bus drivers. We asked for no first-floor rooms and that the boys and girls be put on separate floors.
 - d) Myles clarified that parents who signed up for the trip needed to also commit to being chaperones.
 - e) Myles also complimented and thanked the board members who have helped so much with planning the trip.
 - f) A mandatory meeting for all adults and students attending the trip was set for Monday April 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the band room.
 - g) There is a fundraiser planned for Saturday 4/9/22 at Ace Hardware from approximately 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Money earned will go towards any trip expenses as needed.
2. The next item of business was a report on the ***scholarship applications***. One application was received for the middle school music camp scholarship; four applications were received for the high school music camp scholarship; and two applications were received for the senior scholarship. A special committee will be formed to choose the recipients.
3. Baked items will be needed for the ***Prism Concert bake sale***. Contact Jennifer Luke if you can contribute either home-baked goods or store-bought baked goods.
4. The ***band banquet*** was discussed as the next order of business.
 - a) The date has been moved to Saturday May 7th, the place still to be determined.

- b) The group agreed that all the band students will eat for free. Any other attendees who want to eat will be asked to buy a ticket for \$10 and an RSVP system will be set up.
 - c) Family members who do not want to eat may also attend at no cost.
 - d) A motion was made by Robin that the boosters will collect the money for the tickets. The money will be used to offset the cost of the food for the banquet.
 - e) Any parents who would like to bring desserts to donate to the dessert table will be much appreciated.
 - f) The seniors planning the banquet will try to use some of the leftover decorations from the prom as the theme is a “Masquerade Ball.”
 - g) The dress for the banquet will be formal
5. A number of **board positions will be coming open** this spring: president, first vice president, treasurer, secretary, and auxiliary liaison . Parents who are interested in running for an office should email Elena Lowther before next month’s meeting:

president@bcfia.org

New Business

1. Myles proposed ideas for **upcoming band trips**:
 - a) For next year: Disney or Busch Gardens
 - b) For a larger “every-third-year” trip: Atlanta where there are many musically enriching venues and Black history including the history of jazz OR Washington D.C. where the National Symphony is, where American history is abundant, and where one can find multiple and varied daily musical performances
 - c) Stacey will gather general information on these ideas/places
 - d) It was decided to table the discussion until a June/summer meeting
2. A motion was made by Janet to purchase a padlock for the band trailer; it was seconded by Becky

Announcement

1. Andrew announced that he talked to management about **possibly participating with a pep band for the Wal-Mart grand re-opening**. The challenge in arranging this is that it falls on the last Friday of spring break.

Action Items

1. Students and parents should try to come out and help at the Ace fundraiser Saturday 4/9
2. A committee must be formed to choose scholarship recipients
3. Robin will finalize the budget
4. Ticket sales for the band banquet will need to be arranged
5. Goodies will need to be made for the Prism Concert and the Band Banquet—volunteers are needed!
6. Parents should consider accepting a board position as several will be opening up in May
7. Stacey will gather information on the proposed trip ideas

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Becky and seconded by Andrew. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.