**Monarch Band Boosters Meeting Minutes**

November 13, 2019 7:00pm Regular Meeting

Crystal Springs Brewery, 657 S Taylor Ave, Louisville, CO

**Attendance:** Michelle Gussenbauer, Andrea Haight, Chuck Haight, Kellen Hatch, Tim Johnson, Arik Klingensmith, Liz Klingensmith, Libby Locker, Andy Meseck, Laura Nevitt, Chuck Stephen, Brenda Weissmann, Paul Weissmann

**Prior Business:**

**-*Minutes Approved from August Meeting –*** The October 16th Meeting Minutes were approved – Andrea Haight motioned, Tim Johnson seconded.

**-*Review Key Action Items***

***–*** *Tires on Rig Trailer* – Chuck Haight purchased new tires and will reinspect the remaining ones before February to determine if others need to be replaced.

***–*** *Booster Online Documents/Directories* – Andy has begun clearing out his documents and would like remaining Board and Committee Chairs who are leaving to work on moving documents to the Google directory. Julie Meseck had the password for the old account.

***–*** *New Volunteer Coordination Plan* – The Board discussed the pros and cons of going to a point system or other tracking process versus keeping things status quo. The main concern is that there are too many changes occurring at once with the Board turnover, new student requirements, etc. It will be important to talk to people one-on-one to generate interest in the open Board and Coordinator positions. Andy will work on getting a list together for nominations to be discussed in January. Tim will also talk at the banquet and flyers will be out that outline all open positions.

**Executive Reports:**

***President –*** Andy will table changes to the Volunteer Program for now, and the new Board can revisit in the future.

***Vice President –*** Tim has taken a four-hour course on CO Gives campaigns and has some ideas for the Ask Page. He would like to try to focus on small goals, like the “buy the band a latte or double latte” that occur every month. Other ideas include making personal calls to donors, and creating a YouTube video testimonial that can be linked to the Ask Page. CO Gives Day is December 10th, so we are hoping to be able to promote it at the Parade of Lights, and possibly through the school announcements or Charms. Tim will ask Beverly to put the logo and link on the website, with an option to select a specific campaign or general donation.

***Treasurer –*** Money is coming in for the Disney trip. The Marching Festival totals are almost finalized and show an income of @ $12,500.00. Andy raised the question if we want to consider lowering the marching band fees and including a family fundraising goal, i.e. families can raise $200.00 or pay the full amount. Although we are bringing in money from the larger fundraisers, these funds are budgeted into the program, so it would be difficult to lower fees. Mr. Stephen would like to move some funds from discretionary into the uniform and instrument accounts.

***Communications Director –*** Postcards with the updated Band Boosters ensembles have been printed at Minuteman Press in Broomfield to be used for writing volunteer and donor thank you’s. Brenda asked Board Members, Ensemble Representatives and Coordinators to work on testimonials for Beverly to have on the website for new parents to help them understand the roles and impact of volunteers in the program.

***Director –*** The committee has looked at other area stadiums to hold State, but Air Force is really the only viable location. They will try to have a contingency plan in place for the future. It was a good end to the season, and the students enjoyed being able to watch the other bands perform. This year the section leaders will decorate for the banquet and will present gifts to their sections before the main presentation in the auditorium where they will be allowed to speak briefly about each student. Flowers will be presented to the volunteers before the slide show. Libby will put together the patches and certificates for the section leaders to distribute. A new bari-sax has been purchased by BVSD, and clinicians continue to come in for one-on-one instruction with students.

**Fundraiser Chair Reports:**

***Scrip –*** There is under $1,000.00 of gift cards remaining. We will try to sell some of these at the banquet, and Libby will put info on Charms when she sends out the reminder for the potluck.

***Tag Day –***

***Peach Sale –***

**Current Ensemble and Representative Reports:**

***Concert Band –*** Next concert is December 10th.

***Jazz Band –*** Next concert is November 20th.

***Indoor Percussion –*** Gussenbauers – Indoor Percussion parent meeting and show reveal is Monday the 18th at the school. The fee has gone down to $575.00.

***Color Guard/Winter Guard –*** Rachel Nussbaum – Contracts are due on Monday the 18th. State will be held on March 28th.

***Marching Band –*** Libby Locker

***Marching Festival –*** Paul Weissmann – Planning will begin once a date is announced. Centaurus has purchased a banner sign for shuttle parking for $280.00. Paul suggested we pay half since we will be able to use it at the Festival.

 **\***Paul Weissmann made a motion to split the cost of the banner sign with the Centaurus Band Boosters for $140.00, Tim Johnson seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

**New Business - Updates and Discussion:**

- *Announcements –* The next meeting will be held on January 8th, 2020.

Tim Johnson made a motion to adjourn, Andrea Haight seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm.