

**Ryle Band Booster Meeting
Minutes
January 21, 2016**

In attendance: Paul Donaldson, Cindy Donaldson, Robin Erpenbeck, Catherine Willis, Beth Gregory, Janie Waltz, Tyra LaVerne, Doug Penix, Mark Fowler, Scott Hill, Stacy Hill, Kim Vollbrecht, Tracy Fuchs, Alecia Hunt, Lee Coates, Terry Stickels, Bob Elliott, Brent Bowlin, Dawn Murphy

Tracy Fuchs called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and thanked everyone for coming.

Maddie McGinnis shared with everyone her background and history with concert band and marching band. She shared that she realized in her last year in middle school how much music meant to her so she decided to join marching band, pep band and jazz band in high school. She has also made many life-long friends and it has impacted her enough that she now wants to pursue music in college.

Tracy Fuchs asked everyone to take a minute to review the minutes from the October 8, 2015 meeting. Paul Donaldson made a motion to approve the minutes for both meetings, Stacy Hill seconded it. A verbal vote of approval passed with no negative votes.

Robin Erpenbeck went over upcoming Fundraising Activities - What's for Dinner? Wednesdays and explained that the World's Finest Chocolate sale began yesterday, January 20th.

Jennifer Conley, chairperson of the Nominating Committee, explained that she has found 4 other members for the nominating committee, Jim Fegenbush, Jan Ison, Matt Hanus, Andrea Tackett. They will begin meeting and seeking out candidates for the two open board positions, which are Vice President of Activities and Secretary. The nominating committee will put together the job description of the two board positions and they will be emailed out in the upcoming weeks. Names and bios for the candidates that the nominating committee recommends will be emailed out 2 weeks prior to the next quarterly booster meeting in April. If there are any persons that are interested in running for either of these positions, they need to contact any member of the nominating committee to inform them that they would like to be considered. As set out in the current by laws, if there are additional persons that would like to run for these two open positions at the April board meeting in addition to the nominating committee's candidates, they need to be present at the April board meeting with a bio available to be reviewed by the booster organization. After the election, the newly elected officers will then shadow the current positions, and then take over on July 1st.

Terry Stickels distributed the Financial Report for Charitable Organization for the 4th quarter, 2016 showing a net profit of \$8,019.19. He also distributed the bingo budget for 2015 which shows there was a projected net profit of \$30,720 and the actual net profit for 2015 is \$36,635. The net profit for 2014 was \$16,238. He also distributed the proposed bingo budget for 2016 which shows a projected net profit of \$40,420.

Jodi McGinnis distributed and went over the Statement of Activity dated July 1, 2015 to January 21, 2016. She also explained that we have collected \$71,000 in marching band fees, we budgeted \$76,000, so she will be sending out one more round of invoices to families for remaining band fees in the next coming weeks. Paul Donaldson made a motion to approve the Financial Statement, Cindy Donaldson seconded the motion. Motion was approved by majority vote.

Tracy explained that Jodi McGinnis has confirmed that our final balance due to DeMoulin is \$16,867.82, due to some credits that we received from various returned items. This is very good news since it is less than the \$20,000, we were expecting. We will be paying off DeMoulin in next few weeks from Bingo funds and we have until December to pay the Board of Education. Terry Stickels explained that it is his plan to be able to pay off the Board of Education 6 months early based on Bingo projections.

Kevin Murphy, chairperson for the By-Law Committee was unable to attend the meeting due to unforeseen circumstances. After short discussion about the recommended changes to the by-laws that were emailed out to the entire booster organization on January 7th, Tracy Fuchs then asked for any questions, there were none. Lee Coates made a motion to accept the changes to the by-laws, Paul Donaldson seconded the motion. Motion passed by majority with no objections.

Mr. Elliott thanked everyone for all that they do. He reminded everyone of the importance of the Wind Symphony performance at the KMEA In-Service Conference at the Louisville Convention Center on February 5, 2015, and that this is a very big honor. He thanked band parents, Mark and Veronica Hicks and their companies, Copy Cat Printing in Lexington and The Printing Gallery in Florence for donating the design and printing of the elaborate program representing the Wind Symphony, that would have been a huge expense of approximately \$4,000. There will be a Wind Symphony pre-concert here on January 26th at 7:00 in Auditorium. Mr. Elliott went over the following upcoming dates:

February 27th – Percussion Day at NKU

March 8th – KMEA Concert Band Assessment for Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band II

March 10,11,12th - N. KY Select Band Rehearsal and Concert

March 19th - Lafayette/Yamaha quintet competition

May 3rd - Spring concert

May 10th – Prism concert – 90 minute concert for ensembles, with a professional piano player to accompany the ensembles and 2 judges in the audience, more information to come.

Paul Donaldson made a motion to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned.