

July 2, 2012

The Forest Park Band Boosters held their monthly meeting on July 2, 2012 in the high school cafeteria.

The minutes from the June meeting were read and approved.

Susan Blume gave the treasurer's report. Susan stated that St Henry Sesquicentennial Fest food booth went very well. She was thankful for the parents and students who came to help. The people of St. Henry were very gracious to the Forest Park Marching Band for marching in the parade. We have been invited to come back every year and put up a booth. The Heimatfest went very well also.

The next aluminum can and paper drive will be Saturday, July 21st at 9 am.

The Flea Market will be August 3rd and 4th at the 4-H Fairgrounds. Tonja Blackgrove stated the trailer is stuffed with boxes and there is not enough room for used furniture. She was granted permission to use the instrument trailer to haul used furniture. She is asking for help on Wednesday, July 11 from parents or students. She is hoping that this will be the last day of preparation for the Flea Market. Tami Hochgesang will be giving a sign-up sheet for student/parent workers to Mr Gayso that will be emailed. The Flea Market needs students/parents starting Wednesday at 7 am until Saturday late afternoon.

Marcy Weyer stated the Heimatfest went very well. She had excellent students who worked the whole time. She was appreciative of the parents and students who came at 11 am which was earlier than the scheduled 4:30 opening time. They will be adding extreme nachos to the menu next year. Customers were happy for opening at 11 am and also the availability of cold drinks. Marcy thanked the Ranger Station who donated a sign. Also thanked Hank Brahm with Hank's Sign Shop for donating his time and talent. He painted the sign with the Forest Park Marching Ranger logo.

Marcy Weyer asked for the committee chairs to share information on purchasing and pricing. Everyone agreed that local businesses will be used as a primary source. Donations from local businesses help to make Forest Park Marching Band successful.

Kristy Boeglin spoke about the 4-H Food Booth. Student sign-up sheet was given to Mr Gayso that will be hung up in the band room. She is in the process of contacting her committee members for work times. Dean Fleck will be bringing cardboard for floors. Kristi asked for help in regards to providing shade for customers while eating. Dean Fleck volunteered to help construct a blind. Adding BBQ sandwiches and jalepeno poppers to menu and deleting fried pork chops off menu.

Susan Blume stated that her and Michele Kordes have been working on the fall raffle lists.

Dean Knies stated the box truck break light is out and paper trailer lights short out. Berg's Garage will work on both. The can room was cleaned out and the garage door is shot. Mark Bromm was thanked for donating a garage door to replace. The school will be adding rock by building.

Dean Knies is asking for any donations of metal conduit that is 10 feet or longer that is needed for this season props.

Dean Knies has a few possibilities to paint signs for the new season.

Tonja Blackgrove states everyone has a uniform.

Mini Band Camp is July 9th to 12th. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9-3, Tuesday 12-3. However, percussion and color guard hours will be 9-3 Monday through Thursday. Color Guard will be at Cedar Crest Intermediate. Everyone else in the band will be at Forest Park High School. Each student will need to bring their lunch. Mr. Gayso explained the time change for Tuesday start time of 12. Selected members will be playing the national anthem at McDonald's for the opening.

Band Camp is July 23 to 27 from 12 to 8 pm. Meals will be provided. Each student will need to bring water, sunscreen, white shirt, white shoes, set books, chalk. Mr Gayso stated information will be given at Mini Band Camp about Band Camp.

Mr. Gayso stated June 30th work session on the tarps was great. He thanked Annette Applegate for the use of the Ag Building. Painting of tarps look great and close to being done.

Mr. Gayso is very pleased with the progress of percussion. He stated the color guard uniform is designed and is very pleased with their progress also.

Mr. Gayso explained that last year flags were printed and no sewing was involved. However, this year we will have flags to sew. If anyone can help, please contact Mr. Gayso.

Mr. Gayso will be sending out an email in regards to housing for Bands of America in November. Music Travel will be hosting a meeting for all parents to attend.

Susan Blume stated the wording "band" includes the color guard. This information is in the by laws.

There will be an opening for 2013 - 2014 Vice President. If there is anyone interested, please contact Michele Kordes or Gerry Fleck. They are willing to let that individual shadow.

The Band Boosters still need a permanent location for the flea market building.

Attendance prize was won by Tonja Blackgrove who will be donating to the hardship fund.

Meeting was adjourned by Dean Knies and seconded by Sheila Kerstiens.

The next meeting will be Monday, August 2, 2012 at 7:30 in the high school band room.

Belinda Englert, Secretary