

The Forest Park Band Boosters held their monthly meeting on Monday, January 9, 2017 in the high school band room.

Lisa Dale, President, welcomed boosters.

Minutes from the November meeting were approved by Rob Randle and seconded by Marcy Weyer.

Susan Blume gave the treasurer's report.

Brenda Hassfurther gave a report on Amish Food Sales. Congratulations to Alex Crecelius for selling the most items.

Alan Winkler gave a final report on the Christkindlmarkt food booths. The booths were a success and ran smoothly. Thanks to all who helped.

A report was given on "Night with the Color Guard" which was held in November. Special thanks to all color guard and band members who helped with the event.

Rob Randle stated the date for this month's aluminum can and paper drive is January 14 and much help is needed to box up cans for storage. The next can and paper drive will be held February 11 at 9 am.

Shelly Buechler reminded everyone that band discount card money and any unsold cards are due January 15. A reminder will be sent via e-mail to all boosters.

The Band Boosters will be in charge of working varsity basketball concessions on January 27 and February 10. Sign-ups will be available soon.

The January raffle ticket winners were drawn January 2. \$250 winners are Susie Allen and Vicki Schuler. The \$30 winners are Karen Libbert, Carolyn Auffart, Dan Combs, James Nelson, Roger & Marla Seaton, Jeff & Karen Faulkner, Dave Merkley, Dave & Mary Uebelhor, Jim & Jennifer Troesch, and Jim & Marguerite Hubers.

The December 5, 2016 raffle winners were also announced due to the fact that there was no December meeting. The \$250 winners were Paul Hoffman and Ralph Tretter. The \$30 winners were Sharon Mehling, Mark Dilger, Brandon & Rachel Berg, Laura & Matt Reckelhoff, Rhecia Brown, Dave Merkley, Karen Hopster, Heath Berg, Christine Golden, and Kurt Tretter.

After months of research on types and prices of ice machines, the board requested a vote and the boosters approved the purchase of an ice machine.

Lisa Dale reported on two grants recently awarded to the band. They were received from Clem and Mary C. Lange and from the Dubois County Community Foundation. Thank you's were sent.

The old box truck has been sold and a hitch for the new box truck is in progress. There are also plans to make a list of needed repairs and also to obtain estimates for these repairs on the band building.

The boosters voted to approve the management of basketball concessions beginning in the 2017-2018 school year. Details will be finalized in the coming months. It was also decided that two smaller fundraisers, pizza card sales and Amish food sales, would be discontinued because of adding basketball concessions.

Mr. Gayso will get more specific itineraries and prices from the travel company for the final two choices for the November 2017 band trip. The two options are Orlando and New Orleans. He stated that the local solo and ensemble contest will be held at Southridge High School on January 28 and the state contest will be February 25. He gave dates for Jr. High and High School concert contests, Spring Extravaganza, mini-camp and band camp, and BOA Super Regional. All dates and schedules have been e-mailed to parents and are also available on the band section of the school website. Mr. Gayso also gave updates on staff changes for the coming season.

The Band Banquet is scheduled for Sunday, May 7. Positions are open for parent representatives, treasurer, and vice president for the 2017-18 year. Contact any officer for questions or to submit your name.

The meeting was adjourned by Rodney Welp and seconded by Marcy Weyer.

The next meeting will be held Monday, February 6 at 7:30 in the band room. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Donna Weyer, Secretary