

Band Booster Minutes for April

April 2, 2009

Welcome: Mr. Jay Ronk

The Concert Band students did well this morning when a clinician came into the Stephens Performing Arts Center and gave the students things to work on before they perform for Gem State Band Festival.

On Tuesday Morning (April 7th) the polls will open for the District #25 levy vote. We are hoping the levy will pass. If the levy does pass, it will still put us in a 3 million dollar deficit. If the levy does not pass, the district will be in a 10 million dollar deficit.

We are still committed to a Marching Band Show for next year.

Next year the numbers for the band look like they will be up. We can't wait to see what happens with the levy, we are going to go ahead and start with the music for marching band for next year. As far as Holt Arena is concerned—we are very fortunate to be able to use this facility. We hope we will continue to utilize this facility for the comfort and shelter it provides for us during the marching season.

If we are not able to use the Holt Services next year due to the failure of the levy or cutbacks which may be made—the students will not perform at football games in inclement weather. We are concerned about the expense of instruments and damage that may occur if they are played in bad weather.

April 14th: Gem State Festival at Idaho Falls High School. There is a rehearsal that morning at 7:30am. The bus will leave for the Festival at 9:00 am. Warm-up will begin at 11:30 am. The students will perform at 12 noon. Lunch will be at 1:00 pm. And the busses will leave for Pocatello at 2:00 pm.

A DVD will be available for \$1.00 of band pictures taken on the Florida trip.

The BCS DVD disc should be available sometime in April. Each student will receive a DVD of activities and completion while in Florida.

There will be an article in the newspaper about making cuts to the band program tomorrow. The reality is that ISU is not going to cut us a break on Holt Arena because the School District is in financial disarray.

May 14th End of year band concert is at the Stephens Performing Arts Center (7:00 pm).

Graduation will be held in the Holt Arena.

In two weeks, we would like to invite the new students and the parents to the band room for a brief orientation meeting. The meeting will be held April 16th in the band room at 7:00 pm. This orientation meeting will give the parents of new students an overview of the year ahead.

This year we would like to start an Alumni list for band students that are graduating.

May 19th: Awards Banquet at the Booth Barn. Dinner will be served. Band students will help out with salads and desserts. This is a fun evening for the families. Family tickets can be purchased for \$20.00. Individual tickets can be purchased for \$5.00.

We would like to do a potato bar this year in November. We made a lot of money at this fund raiser last year. The silent auction went over very well. The organization and displays were fabulous. You could offer raffle items at the time you were selling tickets for the potato bar. Red Lion is willing to wash and bake the potatoes to save us on time. We would just have to bring coolers to pick up the potatoes when they are finished cooking.

Band Orientation: April 16, 2009 at 7:00pm in the band room

Next Band Booster Meeting: May 7, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the band room

Those in Attendance at Booster Meeting:

Jay Ronk

MaryLynn Graham

Kelsey Graham

Rod Stutzman

Kim Gower

Daniza Whitham

Kevin Busick

Jeni Busick

Greg Fellman

Sheryl Fellman