



DOWLING CATHOLIC BAND BOOSTERS

President Lori Hickok called the May 4, 2017 meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed everyone in attendance. The meeting opened with a prayer and the introductions of the Band Directors, Staff and the Band Booster Officers.

Directors' Report

Mr. Holland shared that they were busy preparing for Saturday's State Competition and Monday's Night of Jazz. He has been very pleased with the students' work ethic and the growth he has seen with regards to the music both the Concert Band and the Symphony Band are playing on Saturday. Saturday's schedule has been sent out via e-mail. Students involved in the Night of Jazz should arrive around 6:45.

Mr. Hoover reminded everyone that the Concert Band will perform at Dowling's Graduation on Friday, May 26 at the Knapp Center on Drake University's campus. Students should plan to arrive at the Knapp Center around 6:30 p.m. and will be done around 9:00 p.m. More details will follow by e-mail.

He anticipates that the Drum Majors for the 2017-2018 year will be announced yet this week and then, they will start working on the selection process for section leaders.

He indicated there may be some changes to July's Drumline Camp schedule to accommodate for a cheer camp that was moved. Watch the Band calendar for more details.

Next year's show is the "Puppet Master." He said the kids are very excited. It will be a very visual show similar to what many other bands are doing now.

He has been very pleased with the progress of the Concert Band and their work ethic, as well.

He also invited the group to see the band award plaques which are almost all up-to-date. He shared more details on how the award named in honor of Reubin was designed.

Finally, he anticipates between 120-125 students in the marching band next year.

Colorguard

Coach Angie Countryman-Maracantel shared that they have 8 students in next year's Colorguard and rehearsals are already underway. The incoming freshman team members are rehearsing with the returning members. She is also busy working on costume design and the puppet poses that will be used by all members of Vanguard during the show. She concluded by saying the students had a great time at Winter Guard International and thanked the boosters for their support.

2017-2018 Committee Chairs

Lori acknowledged and thanked everyone who served as Committee Chairs for this year. She was so thankful at how organized everything was and how smoothly everything ran! She also shared the names of the Committee Chairs for 2017-2018:

Ankeny Dinner – Lorie Hancock

Apparel/Merchandise – Cindy Seymour & Angie Sweeney

Awards /Spring Concert – **OPEN**

Band Camp – Shelley Gudorf & Andrea Frost

Band Picnic/Meals – Elizabeth Colosimo

Chamber Concert – TBD; waiting on confirmation from current chair

Chaperones – Maria Bartemes

Christmas Concert – **OPEN**

Concert Uniforms – Gosia Wheeler

Deep Maroon Serenade / Band Aid – TBD; waiting on confirmation from current chair

Drake Concessions – Gloria Castellano & Elizabeth Colosimo

Marching Uniforms – Donna Geier & Ingrid Green

Media (Photos, Videos, Website) – Lauren Campbell & Mike Hoefing (Webmaster)

Medical – Gloria Castellano & Nicole Ryan

Picture Day (@ Band Camp) – **OPEN**

Poster – TBD; waiting on confirmation from current chair

Recruitment – Gabrielle Cahalan

Roadies & Set Crew – Dave McCormick & Scott Musel

Spirit – Elizabeth Colosimo

Trip Coordinator: Jazz in the Bluffs – Joan Bindel

Trip Coordinator: Outback Bowl – Dewayne Johnson

Wells Fargo Concessions – Penny Orweiler

If you are interested in serving in one of the open committee chair positions, please contact [Stephanie Drey](#). There are many opportunities to volunteer within all of these committees as well. Parents are encouraged to sign-up to volunteer to during the supplemental registration process or at the upcoming Parent meetings in June (see below).

Band Camp

Shelley Gudorf said things are pretty well in place for August's Band Camp. She will be meeting with Directors before school ends to discuss the meals. The biggest need will be for food donations for each of the meals. Watch your e-mail for the sign-up to volunteer to donate food.

Concert Uniforms

Gosia Wheeler reminded everyone that students can return their concert uniforms after Saturday's state competition or during Band on Monday. Refer to the e-mail that went out for more details on what and how to return your student's uniform.

Media

Lauren Campbell reported that 9 yearbooks had been purchased so far. She indicated that if 10 or more were sold, we would do the yearbook project again next year. She shared that the Media Committee uploaded over 7,000 pictures to Zenfolio during the 2016-2017 year.

Medical

Lori reported on behalf of Gloria Castellano that two medical volunteers have signed-up to accompany the students to Tampa and that she will follow along behind the buses in her own vehicle to assist as needed.

Poster

Mr. Holland informed us that responsibility for next year's band poster will remain with the Band versus the Advancement Office. Lori indicated that we thought the Advancement Office was going to do all the Dowling posters so we had not anticipated needing a Poster Committee. She or Stephanie will reach out to Kathy Ingle to see if she wants to continue in that role.

Recruitment

Lisa Schwarte shared that we have 30 incoming freshmen for next year.

Trip Coordinator: Outback Bowl

Amy Johnson reported on behalf of Dewayne that we have 80 kids signed up for the trip so far. The initial deposit of \$200 per person will be charged/debited on Monday, May 15. If you want to use money from your Band Account, please contact [Veronica Degen](#) ASAP so she can transfer the payment to Bob Rogers Travel before the 15th.

If you are interested in being a chaperone, please contact the Chaperone Committee Chair, [Maria Bartemes](#). If you haven't registered your student, please do so. If your student is still "on the fence," please let [Dewayne](#) know so we can keep track of potential registrants. If your student does not plan to go, please also share this with Dewayne so we don't continue to "bug" you about registering! Please continue to direct all questions to Dewayne.

Wells Fargo Concessions

Joan Bindel shared her experiences working concessions at Wells Fargo. Committee Chair Penny Oreweiler said that the next training opportunity is Monday, May 15. An e-mail reminder will be sent out via web-blast. (For more information about concessions at Wells Fargo Arena, please contact [Penny Oreweiler](#).)

Other Business

- We will need some Roadies for the Night of Jazz on Monday.
- We will also need Roadies for the Chamber Concert on Tuesday, May 16.
- A question was asked about lunch for Mini-Camp on Saturday, June 3. Mr. Holland and Mr. Hoover will discuss and include specifics in the Mini-Camp e-mail.
- Band Bash for middle school students will be held the week of July 24-28.

Supplemental Registration for 2017-2018

Amy reported that the Band's supplemental registration process will start on Thursday, May 11. **The Band website will be down on Wednesday, May 10 to update it for the registration process.** Registrations will be due on Monday, May 29th.

A couple of changes have been incorporated to help improve the supplemental registration process. First, the information from the online portion of registration will flow on to fillable .PDF forms so that you don't have to re-enter that information over and over as you fill out the forms that you need to print and sign. Second, instead of signing up for specific committees, parents will be asked to help with specific types of tasks from a volunteer standpoint and based on their answers, we can direct them to specific committees as needed. It was felt that this process would be more self-explanatory to incoming families or parents not as familiar with the roles of the different Band Booster committees.

2017-2018 Officers

The proposed slate of officers for 2017-2018 were presented to the group for their approval. The parents in attendance installed the following Band Booster officers for 2017-2018:

President – Stephanie Drey
Vice President – Ann Seda
Secretary – Amy Johnson
Treasurer – Veronica Degen
Guard Representative – Nancy Jausel

Thank You Gifts

The Boosters recognized the following people with small tokens of our appreciation for all their hard work: Mr. Holland, Mr. Hoover, and Coach Angie; Nicki Michels for her years of service to the Band Boosters both as Marching Uniform committee chair and an active member of the Media committee; Veronica and Paul Degen for all the years they led the Drake Concessions committee, and Lori Hickok as outgoing Booster President.

Upcoming Events

Please remember that the calendar is updated often! For details including this summer's schedule, see <http://dchsband.org/calendar/>

The New Parent meeting is scheduled for June 12th @ 6 p.m. The Returning Parent meeting is scheduled for June 26 @ 6 p.m. (New parents: if you are unable to attend on the 12th, you are welcome to join us on the 26th.)

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 7, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Johnson