

**NEASE BAND BOOSTERS, INC**  
**GENERAL BOARD MEETING/MEMBERS MEETING**

**Monday 6/25/18**

**Location: Nease Media center**

**Time called to order: 6:35pm**

**Time Adjourned: 8:40pm**

Attendance: Mr. Anthony Cananzi, Ed Campbell, Brian Russell, Megan Ragan, Richard Mayer, Courtney Cassidy, Ryan Cassidy, John Sztolyer, Shannon Millican, Ilene Bomser, Christopher Valdivia, Mercedes Maglin, Ann Gillette, Lenny Gillette, Theresa Greco, Kathryn Frericks.

Ed Campbell (president):

Roll call of officers to establish quorum. All officers present except for Kim Coleman (VP). Could not approve minutes from May 30<sup>th</sup> as Ed did not have copy on him, we will approve at next meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. All board meetings starting in August will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month.

**Officers reports:**

Brian Russell (Treasurer):

We are in collection mode. We have spent some money on competition tops, sound equipment for front ensemble, etc but mostly in collection mode at this point. More spending coming up soon with FCMI, etc. Hoping to meet with Paula H soon re FCMI to get #'s of what we spent in the past for various FCMI items. All students must be paid to participate in band camp, so expecting a lot of money to come in once camp starts.

Chris Valdivia (student account manager):

Total # of accounts: 182 (includes previous accounts that have unpaid balance). Based on payment plan everyone should have a balance of \$450 or less. 81 accounts are on track, 17 more are very close to being on track, 3 have no payment at all. 64 accounts are one payment behind. Chris has caught up on all payments made via PayPal, Tan box and PO Box as of the night of the meeting. He has taken over the neaseacct@gmail email address and will answer all emails within 24 hrs.

New Business:

Vote on student account issues:

**Issue #1** account is over 3 years old, parent not paying, said made arrangement with MJ and was told she did not owe the money. The balance is \$232.42. Ed proposed a motion to write it off, motion was seconded and all were in favor. Amount will be written off.

**Issue #2** students not doing band any longer (we have 7 accounts like this), usually amount would stay on books until the student graduates in case they join band again in the future. Discussion was whether or not to keep sending statements. Ed wants to table these for now and keep sending statements.

**Issue #3** Student has not been at Nease for years. Balance is \$430.50. This was not included in the budget since it is old. Ed proposed a motion to write this off, motion was seconded and all were in favor, amount will be written off.

**Issue #4** credit needed to be applied, this was already previously agreed and voted on, we just need to make the credit happen.

**Issue #5** not a student account issue, but a who can sign checks issue. With the board being reduced and student accounts not being a board member any longer, can we still have the student account manager as an approved signee on checks? Ideally it would be Chris since he works with treasurer and is close to the accounts, but if had to be a board member, would we make it Kim C (VP)? Brian will research if bank will allow Chris to do it. **Ed made a motion that if bank agrees, we are good with it being Chris, motion was seconded and all were in favor.**

**Scholarship opportunities:** we have been announcing that we have scholarship money available. We have only received one app so far this year. Last year we had \$200 per student available. We have \$3000 in the budget and only one student requesting money at this time. As a group we discussed how much we should offer per scholarship. A closed email to the board will be circulated regarding the one student and if approve, but Brian made a motion that the money we offer is \$300 per student leaving us 10 scholarships available. Motion was seconded and all were in favor. After Brian explained more regarding student requesting scholarship money (in good standing, makes payments anytime they have extra money, save your spot paid in full, a motion to go ahead and vote was raised and seconded and all were in favor for that student to receive scholarship money. A parent asked if all scholarship money is not used where does it go. It was explained that it will carried into the budget for other items that the board will vote on as needed, or it is carried over into the next year.

**Vote on reimbursement of Winter guard money spent:** this was money spent on practice space and tickets to finals after being told there was no money for these expenses. Brian Spoke to this parent after Dayton trip and advised how account was going and asked if there were any other expenses and he was told no in late April, early May, then on June 6<sup>th</sup> the check request came through. If money is paid, it will leave Guard about \$300 going into next season. Conversations ensued. **\*\*side note-Ed brings up that all fundraisers need to be board approved and board members must be present, etc. It was also made clear by Ed Campbell that no parent is to go out on their own and spend money and expect to get reimbursed unless it is board approved. This parent was on the board at the time and was technically authorized to write checks, but also was told the money was not there. Ed makes it clear that going forward NO money will be paid back if it does not have prior approval by Brian and/or Ed/Board. Ed proposed a motion to pay this amount back this time, but not in the future, the amount is \$1170 and will come out of the guard funds, the motion was seconded, was passed by a majority vote 3 in favor, 1 against.**

Brian stated he will revise the check request form to make this clearer in the future.

All in all, a great year, with almost 100% dues paid and this was an isolated occurrence.

End of board business, turned over to general booster members with questions/concerns.

Conversations regarding new managers and what positions are open ensued, Ed to send Megan a complete list of what is filled by who and what is still open. Various other items discussed, such as Pot luck/food truck vendor. Dinkles, Senior banner pictures will be July 30<sup>th</sup> during band camp, what students need to wear for parent exhibition night. Agreed to get this info posted and out to parents as soon as possible. Show shirts are being designed and made. Water coolers are different, from Academy and less money. Big 5k fundraiser coming soon, more big events that bring in more money being planned. Mr. Cananzi discussed uniforms, we will only wear green jackets at games, show tops at all competitions (pre-lims and finals). Also, uniforms will no longer come home with the students, they stay at school and will dry cleaned as a group with a group rate.

Repairs on equipment was discussed. Should be done the week before camp starts.

Mr C. has an idea for drum major stands, he will discuss further with Ed

Old floors being used for tarps on field, will be hand painted.

Ed to buy paint to paint the field this week.

Brian made a quick statement about being down about 3 students (budget was for 150 and we are at 147). So, keep that in mind. But freshman registration low, so we might get more.