Darien 61 Band Booster Board Meeting Meeting
Monday, October 24, 2022, 6:00 p.m.
Eisenhower Junior High School Commons

1. **Call to order- 6:00**
   The following people were at the meeting:
   Julie Siarny
   Candi Levan
   Heidi Lapczynska
   Evangeline Tuohy
   Christine Laitman
   Sarah Roehr
   David Siarny (joined meeting at 6:32)

2. **Approval of June and September minutes/Secretary's Report**
   Minutes stand approved

3. **Treasurer's Report**
   - Catching up with the finances for 2020, 2021, and 2022, more info is needed. Heidi is reaching out to Dr. Buck to cover the lapse
   - Deposit is needed for the car wash sales
   - Shirt sales from the October 19th concert at $260

4. **Old Business**
   - Nashville Trip: Julie mentioned the proposal for new meeting dates, the hope is to pass the budget during our November meeting. The financial goal is for boosters to pay half the Nashville trip for Symphonic band members, pay the full trip for chaperones, and pay for snacks and the one meal not included in the package. Evangeline is working with the company to get a total cost. Right now cost stands at $380 per person but that is without the cost of transportation, so it will increase. At the time of the meeting 36 students are signed up and 3 adults are interested in being chaperones. Total chaperones needed will depend on the final number of students (1 adult per 10 kids). It's a 3 day trip.
   - Car Wash Prizes: Gift cards are in, Evangeline will pass out to winners
   - Value Card Fundraising: We will have cards November 14th, if not sooner. The bill will need to be paid 2 weeks after cards are received, Dr. Buck will be responsible for cutting the check. Week of November 7th, a letter will be sent home to band parents. It will be a contract for parents. Before students are given cards to sell, parents will need to agree to cover the cost of any cards that go home with their child or they have the opportunity to opt out of receiving cards. Sarah will create the contract to share with Evangeline. Students are encouraged to sell 5 cards or donate $35. Cards will be sold for $10 each, with a profit of $7.75, per card for Band Boosters. 1000 cards were purchased by Julie. Our break even point is to sell 225 cards, after that every card sold is profit. Once we receive confirmation from the

card company as to which local businesses are participating, site sales will be set up. Prizes will be provided as incentives to sell. Prizes will go to the student with the most cards sold and the student that wins the raffle. A raffle ticket will be given to students for every 5 ValueCards sold and for every site sale shift worked. Communications will go out to parents the week of Nov 14th. Sarah will contact Dr. Buck to put Value Cards in weekly email. We also will sell them at school games, since they're not concessions. Prizes: $150 max for both prices (with the plan to spend more on the raffle prize)

- December Concert: 3 to 4 adult chaperones are needed from 6-7 to help with pictures. Sarah will create a flier to share with Dr. Buck, to be shared in EJH's weekly bulletin. There will also be a table to sell shirts and Value cards set up.
- Music Café: A jazz band/solo recital showcase in the commons. For the cafe we will ask for donations for concessions and at the cafe take donations for concessions provided. The Music Cafe will be in February or March, Evangeline will choose a date at a later time.
- Spirit Wear: The plan is to include selling Spirit wear to 5th graders, and possibly order at the same time we order shirts for the Nashville trip. Candi looking into possible companies.
- Other Old Business, none

5. **New Business**
   - Set Future Meeting Dates: Dates proposed are 11/28 and 1/30, at 7 pm. Both dates work for all and were confirmed.
   - Uniforms: We received a complaint from a parent about her child's polo being too big. The company used didn't have youth sizes (also there was difficulty finding a company due to supply chain issues). David Siarny will reach out to the parent; the student will have to make do with a small youth size.
   - Flowers: Band boosters is looking into selling flowers as a fundraiser at future events (after the band's December concert)
   - Other New Business: Piano used for the October concert is muddy, and needs to be looked into, Evangeline will look into it.

6. **Band Director's Report**

   Ms Tuohy and the band are preparing for the December concert. She has reached out about the Nashville trip but has no new info, her goal is to have information on the cost per child (including transportation) for our next meeting when we finalize the budget.

7. **Meeting adjourned at 7:12**