

# EATON RAPIDS BAND BOOSTERS

Meeting Minutes – December 13, 2011, 6pm - High School Band Room

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## Welcome and Introductions!

Robin Elliott called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

Attendance: Susan Allen, Robin Elliott, Mary Kelly, Michael Richard, Rena Zohott, Chris Rupp and Tom Sullivan.

## Officer Reports and Standing Business Items

♪ President – (vacancy)

♪ 1<sup>st</sup> VP – Jeannine Wood – Not present.

♪ 2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Robin Elliott

Mary reported on the wreath sales which were down from last year. Gift cards have been distributed to the winners. Boosters did make a small profit and individuals made a fair profit as well. The committee discussed the benefits of this fund-raiser and whether it is worthwhile. It was noted that the economy in Eaton Rapids is bad and the prices of the wreaths increased, so it is not unusual that sales would be down. Zena offered to assist with this next year and the committee agreed to have this as a fundraiser again. There was discussion about fundraisers overall and the committee agreed to do a survey of the kids and parents to determine what they want do.

**ACTION: Mr. Rupp will plan to draft a survey for review at the January meeting.**

The committee discussed band camp scholarships and the format.

**ACTION: The committee will review wording and requirements at the next meeting.**

The group briefly discussed the plans for the rock-a-thon.

**Bake Sale:** Kudos to Rena for orchestrating middle school parents to assist. Profits were reviewed.

**50/50 (Poinsettia Raffle):** Yay to Jeff Verstraete who worked the crowd and Robin noted that thanks have been given to Hastays for their beautiful poinsettias they donated! Profits were reviewed.

**CD Sales:** Amy Henderson worked hard this evening. She sold a total of 39 CDs. We had them copied and returned for director distribution by the following Monday!

**Pie Sales:** We have sold 425 pies in one week. Still need to organize tables, cleaning materials, and see if the doors will be unlocked for people to enter to help or pick up pies. Also need to consider making directional signs. The committee discussed the payment and final plans.

The next big fundraiser is most likely going to be a month long can drive. I would like to work with Band Council this time to make this a grand event.

- ♪ Communications/Secretary – Susan Allen - November Meeting Minutes – **A motion was made by Robin Elliott, seconded by Michael Richard, and approved by the committee to accept the November minutes as presented.**
  
- ♪ Treasurer – Tom Sullivan – Tom needs some assistance regarding tuxes and dresses. The committee discussed the Meijer rewards program and he noted that scrip has increased. November deposits and expenses were reviewed with the committee. The committee noted he should expect items from solo and ensemble for next year.  
**A motion was made by Chris Rupp, seconded by Robin Elliott, and approved by the committee to accept the November financial reports as presented.**
  
- ♪ GIS & MS Representative – Rena Zohott – Nothing to report.

#### Director and Band Council Reports

- ♪ High School – Adam Gumbrecht – Deferred in his absence.
- ♪ Middle School/Greyhound Intermediate – Chris Rupp – Expressed his appreciation for the boosters. He was very pleased with the concert and they hope to do it again next year. He did receive positive feedback from the students. Middle School bands will combine again to go to festival.
- ♪ Band Council – Destini Pulido – No report this month.

#### Old Business:

- ♪ Welcome packet – deferred to the January meeting.
- ♪ Private Lesson Program – deferred to the January meeting to determine how much pie money can be used for the private lesson program.

#### New Business:

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#### Next Band Booster Meetings

Meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the High School band room. The next meetings are January 10 and February 14.