

# Whitnall Band Booster Meeting Minutes

## March 9, 2011

### Board Members 2010-2011

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Member at Large	Tom Grosser	lynntomg@hotmail.com
Member at Large	Sue Stockinger	suestockinger1@hotmail.com
Band Director	Griffin James	gjames@whitnall.com

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

### I. Minutes:

There was one correction to the minutes. The name John Grosser should be changed to Tom Grosser.

Jen Pratt moved to approve the January minutes with a second motion by Sue Stockinger. All approved.

### II. Reports:

#### Financial - John Kasper

John Kasper was not present but submitted his treasurer's report for the month. All appeared in order and no questions were asked.

#### Band Director - Griffin James

Drumline's first competition went very well. At the Saturday competition they lost 10 points due to a technical issue, resulting in a fourth place out of four. On Sunday the problem was corrected and we received first place. The next drumline competition will be March 19<sup>th</sup> at Forest Lake High School and March 20<sup>th</sup> at Apollo High School in St. Cloud. Drumline will be departing on Saturday for these events and will only spend one night overnight. Chaperones were named. The Minnesota Championship will be on April 2.

Colorguard received a first place in their last competition. Because of how well they have performed and advanced over the year, an additional trip has been added for the colorguard to compete at the Midwest Colorguard Championship in Indiana.

Community night for both these groups will be held at 8:00 on March 31<sup>st</sup> in the gym. Both groups will perform their shows two times that evening.

Whitnall hosted WSMA Solo and Ensemble this year. The overall feedback from directors was they were very pleased. Mr. James thanked all the adult and student volunteers. There were more than 43 adult helpers. Many Whitnall performers participated and many did very well, especially the groups. State competition will be at University of WI-Parkside on May 7<sup>th</sup>.

Pep Band will play at the Whitnall basketball playoff game to be held at the Al McGuire Center downtown on March 10<sup>th</sup>.

March 18<sup>th</sup> will be the Large Group Festival to be held at New Berlin. This is the equivalent of solo and ensemble for bands. The concert band, sinfonietta, and choir will be competing at this event.

On March 22, 7:30 p.m. the Sinfonietta and Jazz Band will have their concert, followed by the concert band and orchestra having a concert on March 24 at 7:30. We will be asking for donated baked goods to set up a reception table. Volunteers were requested to help man the tables. The jazz band will also be performing at a Firestone Tires store event on March 26. Parents will be needed to car pool the kids.

Mr. James requested some help with some simple prop building for the drumline and Tom Grosser volunteered to help with this.

### III. Old Business:

#### A. Fundraiser Updates:

1. Scrip – No news at this time. Ordering has been slow.
2. Miller Park - Mary Hermann/John Hushek - John said a contract was submitted with Whitnall Band and Whitnall Wrestling. They are awaiting hearing from Miller Park what dates were approved and when training will start. It will be the 14 person stand and perhaps some girls basketball parents will help also.
3. Clothing - Ann Meyer passed out a flyer to order fleece jackets. They will be navy blue in

color with a logo “burned” on the back. Orders will be due on March 21 in hopes that the jackets will be ready for the final drumline event. The flyer will be given to the kids and e-mailed to all parents.

5. WSMA Concessions - Tracy stated that she deposited approximately an \$1800 profit from the running of the concession stand at the solo and ensemble competition. It all went very well and all volunteers and people who donated were thanked.

## B. Nominations for 2011-12 Board

Nominations continued for Board positions for the upcoming year. The following was the slate of candidates:

President:	Jennifer Pratt
Vice-President:	Jim Moomey and Tom Scherbert
Recording Secretary	Lisa Kujawa
Corresponding Secretary	John Hushek
Treasurer	John Kasper

Because there was a contested election for the office of vice-president, voting was held. The winner was Jim Moomey. Ann Meyer moved that all candidates be accepted and approved. It was seconded by Tom Grosser and all approved.

## IV. New Business

Discussion was held regarding the April 12<sup>th</sup> drumline/colorguard banquet. It was decided that we would like to hold it at a restaurant but to keep the cost to \$12 a person. Everyone, parents and students, would have to pay for the dinner. It will be a ticketed event with no sales at the door. A committee of Ann Meyer, Rochelle Van Inhout, Sue Stockinger, and Mary Hermann was created to attend to banquet details.

Ann Meyer reported that the trip committee is considering a spring break 2012 trip to Washington D.C. It is a four day three night trip and includes most meals, a river cruise, playing at the WWII Memorial, and additional sightseeing. At this time costs were running \$389 a person quad occupancy but that price does not include transportation, which still must be figured in. More information will be forthcoming.

Jeff Buchwald brought up the fact that this year it was not pointed out prior to voting that there could only be one vote per family, as is indicated in the bylaws and was enforced previously. Tracy Wunrow apologized for not verbalizing this rule, but both she and Mary Hermann indicated that they surveyed the membership that evening prior to voting and determined that **while there was one couple present, only one family member took a ballot, and they had determined already who was voting for that family; therefore, it would not be a consideration**

at this time. John Hushek suggested that a “sergeant at arms” to keep all bylaws and rules of order in mind and enforced at meetings might be a consideration. We will discuss is further at some future meeting.

Ann Meyer gave a motion to adjourn with a second motion put into place by Jeff Buchwald. Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Hermann  
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