

Unity Music Boosters
May 14, 2018
UHS Band Room
(Approved at Summer Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence at 7:05 p.m. There were 8 people present.

Secretary's Report: Charissa Wood presented the minutes from the April 17, 2018 meeting. Laura Walsten moved to approve the minutes. Jessica Lopez seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: President Teresa Spence presented the Treasurer's report. Laura Walsten moved to approve the report. Jessica Lopez seconded. Motion carried.

Director's Reports:

Jerry Cardiff: Teresa Spence reported for Jerry Cardiff. Teresa reported that drum major tryouts are this Friday, May 18, 2018. Jerry will be sending Laura Walsten a form for band camp that will be put on the website.

Victoria Kensek: Victoria reported that the Little Mermaid musical was spectacular and the kids did well!! There were six interviews for the music position at Unity West. Victoria also reported that there was a \$5000 dollar donation for high school chorale. They are getting a quote to see how much it would cost to get new lighting on stage and it would be LED lighting so it would use 50% less power. Also new packs are needed to improve the sound on stage. Victoria also reported there is a show choir meeting on May 23, 2018 at the Tolono Fire station at 7 pm. All parents and students should attend. Show choir camp applications are coming in.

Communication: Laura Walsten reported that Unity music photos are on smug mug and Little Mermaid photos are coming soon.

Fundraising:

Jazz & Java: Marcia Horton reported that Jazz & Java went very well and it was well attended. It was nice to have the 5th grade bands there also this year.

Fall Showcase: This will be Sunday, October 14, 2018 at the Savoy Recreation Center.

Barnes & Noble: Teresa Spence reported that we need a volunteer to head this up and it was discussed if we could set the date now.

Scholarships: Marcia Horton reported that 9 students received the \$300 scholarship for summer camps and 3 students received \$60. Teresa Spence reported that two seniors received the \$500 Polly Anderson Memorial scholarship – Leanna Horton and Dylan Holt.

Old Business: Teresa Spence reported for Sharon Baxley that the new apparel that was ordered on April 30, 2018 will be delivered to the schools in the next week.

New Business: Bonnie Woolard reported that the Surreal Sound recording sessions were never finished and it needs to be finished. Also there is money needed for new arrangements and wondering if Surreal Sound could compete next year.

Laura Walsten moved to approve up to \$500 be used to complete the Surreal Sound CD. Lisa Rink seconded. **Motion carried.**

Laura Walsten moved to approve that up to \$100 for the additional Mary Kate plaque. Marcia Horton seconded. **Motion carried.**

Jessica Lopez moved to approve \$50 be reimbursed to Marcia Horton for the Mary Kate award. Lisa Rink seconded. **Motion carried.**

Laura Walsten reported that she is working on the Annual Report document for Teresa to present at the July Board

Meeting. She will need the final budget/actual expense report in order to complete that portion of the Annual Report.

Nominations:

Lisa Rink presented the nomination slate:

President – Teresa Spence

Vice President – Maggie Grimm

Treasurer – Lisa Rink

Secretary – Sharon Baxley

Laura Walsten moved to approve the slate by the nomination committee. Bonnie Woolard seconded. **Motion carried.**

Laura Walsten moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. Marcia Horton seconded. Motion carried.

The next meeting is in July.

Unity Music Boosters
April 17, 2018
UHS Band Room
(Approved at May Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence at 7:02 p.m. There were 9 people present.

Secretary's Report: Charissa Wood presented the minutes from the March 20, 2018 meeting. Maggie Grimm moved to approve the minutes. Sharon Baxley seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: President Teresa Spence reported for the treasurer and reviewed the account balances and there was a discussion about the importance of needing updated budget information to assist the scholarship committees.

Director's Report:

Jerry Cardiff: Jerry Cardiff reported the following concert dates: May 1, 2018 – High school band concert; May 4, 2018 is the seniors last day of school; May 10, 2018 – Jazz & Java; May 13, 2018 is graduation; and May 15, 2018 – Jr. High band concert. Jerry also reported that the all-conference band in Pontiac went well. It was an all-day event from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Victoria Kensek: Teresa Spence reported for Victoria that the 5th grade musical is going well and it is much appreciated how many parent volunteers are helping. The musical "The Little Mermaid" is May 11, 2018.

Ashley Marshall: Teresa Spence reported for Ashley that the high school musical is going well and it is April 26-28, 2018.

Communication Report: Teresa Spence reported for Laura Walsten that events and dates need to be emailed to Laura weekly to be in the eblasts.

Fundraising:

All Out A Capella: Teresa Spence reported for Bonnie & Cary Woolard. This went well but ticket sales were a little low this year. Maybe next year the kids could sell tickets again.

Dough Re Mi: Teresa Spence reported that Monical's was pretty busy that night and it seemed to go well and was a success. Since there are so many Monical's workers present, it was suggested that maybe next year there could be less parent help.

Jazz & Java: Teresa Spence reported that Jazz & Java is May 10, 2018 and will start at 6:30 p.m. There is still a need for volunteers and you can sign up on the booster's website.

Scholarships: Marcia Horton reported that 9 students applied for summer scholarships and there will also be scholarships for 2 drum majors.

Senior Scholarship: Teresa Spence reported that there were 7 students from band/choir that applied for this scholarship. May 3, 2018 is Senior Honor's night and it will be awarded on that night.

Old Business: Sharon Baxley reported that April 30, 2018 will be the last day to order music shirts on the booster website. Shirts will be delivered by May 10, 2018 at Jazz & Java.

New Business: Teresa Spence reported that the Nominating Committee is working on their task of identifying volunteers to serve officer roles and the slate will be presented at the May meeting per the bylaws. Jerry Cardiff reported that he is looking into a 4 day trip to Nashville in 2019/2020 for the band.

Sharon Baxley moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m. Lisa Rink seconded. Motion carried.

The next meeting is Monday - May 14, 2018 in the Unity High School Choir room at 7 p.m.

Unity Music Boosters
March 20, 2018
Unity East Choir Room
(Approved at April Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence at 7:05 p.m. There were 11 people present.

Secretary's Report: Charissa Wood presented the minutes from the February 21, 2018 meeting. Diane (Ducey) Anderson moved to approve the minutes. Laura Walsten seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: President Teresa Spence presented the Treasurer's report for Maggie Chappell. Laura Walsten moved to approve the report as modified. Diane (Ducey) Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

Jerry Cardiff: Marcia Horton reported for Jerry that both the high school and Jr. High band concerts went very well. This Saturday March 24, 2018 is Jr. High solo & ensemble at Heritage Jr. High in Homer, Illinois starting at 10 am. April 16, 2018 is the all-conference honors band at Pontiac Township High school. Ten students were selected and we leave in the morning with the concert in the evening. Marcia also reported that May 1, 2018 is the high school band concert, May 10, 2018 is Jazz & Java, May 13, 2018 is graduation, and May 15, 2018 is the Jr. High band concert.

Ashley Giberson: Teresa Spence reported for Ashley that the musical rehearsals are going very well and the musical is April 26-28, 2018. The concert dates are on the music booster's website.

Ashley Fenoglio: Ashley reported that this Saturday, March 24, 2018 is solo & ensemble in Homer, Illinois. There are 3 Unity East band students participating. The concert dates are on the music booster's website. Ashley also reported that Unity East and West 5th grade band will be performing at Jazz & Java. Shirts will be sold there if families still need them. The school district approved new elementary music curriculum and 30 new ukuleles for Unity East and Unity West and a few other instruments.

Victoria Kensik: Victoria reported that the concert dates for Unity West are on the music booster's website. The 5th grade musical "The Little Mermaid" is May 11, 2018 and it is going well.

Communication Report: Laura Walsten reported that the E-Blast will be sent out in a couple days. She needs things from directors by Thursday am because the e-blast will be sent out Thursday evening.

Fundraising:

All Out A Capella: Bonnie Woolard reported that it went well and will report more at the next booster meeting in April.

Dough Re Mi: Teresa Spence reported that this event will be April 9, 2018 at the Monicals in Tolono from 11 am to close. Must have the flyer with coupon on it to have a percent go to the music boosters. Volunteers are needed.

Jazz & Java: Marcia Horton reported that this event is Thursday May 10, 2018. Volunteers are still needed and you can sign up online at booster website. Jazz band, jazz rock, show choirs will be performing and it was discussed that it would be nice to have Surreal Sound perform.

Scholarships: Teresa Spence reported that summer camp scholarships are due March 31, 2018. The senior music scholarship will be available Monday March 26, 2018 and is due on April 10, 2018 and you can get them in the high school guidance office.

Old Business: Sharon Baxley reported that new apparel is ready and online sales will begin after Easter break and will be on the website. Samples of the shirts are in all the music rooms.

Jamie Price reported that she needs to be reimbursed \$643.80 for basketball concessions.

Diane (Ducey) Anderson reported that Tolono Fun Day is June 30, 2018 and there will be a golf cart parade on June 29, 2018 if anyone is interested.

New Business:

Laura Walsten moved to discontinue girls' basketball concessions and reevaluate it next April. Jamie Price seconded. **Motion carried.**

Laura Walsten moved to approve that \$643.80 be reimbursed to Jamie Price for girls basketball concessions. Diane (Ducey) Anderson seconded. **Motion carried.**

Teresa Spence reported that a nominating committee be formed for the new officers: President Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Diane (Ducey) Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Marcia Horton seconded. Motion carried.

The next meeting is April 17, 2018 at 7 p.m. in the Unity high school band room.

Unity Music Boosters
February 21, 2018
Unity West Choir Room
(Approved at March Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence at 7:07 p.m. There were 14 people present.

Secretary's Report: Charissa Wood presented the minutes from the January 16, 2018 meeting. Marcia Horton moved to approve the minutes. Laura Walsten seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: President Teresa Spence read account balance information and deferred the Treasurer's report until the March Meeting due to the absence of Treasurer Maggie Chappell.

Director's Report:

Jerry Cardiff: Jerry reported that marching band camp will be July 30, 2018 – August 3, 2018. There was a senior night for the last basketball pep band that went well and honored the seniors. The list of upcoming events are as follows: March 1, 2018 High school band concert; March 3, 2018 Solo & Ensemble; March 6, 2018 Jr. High vocal concert; March 8, 2018 Fine Arts Festival; March 13, 2018 Jr. High band concert.

Ashley Giberson: Ashley reported that she presented a proposal for lighting for auditorium to Mr. Morrison and she was told that there can be no large purchases at this time but that it does need updated in the future. The proposal will be presented again at the beginning of the next school year fall 2018. The show choir competition in El Paso went well. We placed 3rd in our division. The band was too loud so it was hard to hear the performers. Ashley also reported that All Out A Capella is this weekend. The high school musical tryouts are February 20-21, 2018. The musical is "9 to 5".

Victoria Kensik: Victoria reported the following concerts: April 3, 2018 2nd grade concert; April 17, 2018 K-1st grade concert; April 9, 2018 3rd grade visits the Krannert; May 11, 2018 Unity West Little Mermaid musical. Parent volunteers are needed for the musical.

Ashley Fenoglio: Ashley reported that the music trip to Milliken University went well and 53 students attended. It was well enjoyed by the students in 2nd-5th grade. Solo & Ensemble for Unity East is March 24, 2018 and so far 3 students have signed up to participate. Ashley also reported that there will be concerts in May.

Communications: Laura Walsten reported that information needs to be sent to her for the weekly Eblasts.

Fundraising:

Basketball concessions: Teresa reported for Jamie Price that more volunteers are needed.

Do Re Me: Teresa Spence reported that this will be April 9, 2018 at Monicals in Tolono.

Jazz & Java: Teresa Spence reported that this event is May 10, 2018 at the Franks Center in Philo and we might have 5th grade perform this year.

Fine Arts Festival: Marcia Horton reported that this is on March 8, 2018 and she will provide the food again this year but will need volunteers to help.

All Out A Capella: Bonnie & Cary Woolard reported that 253 tickets have been sold for 5 pm show and 183 tickets have been sold for 8 pm show so far. There has been about a dozen tickets sold at the school offices. Bonnie and Cary will be on WDWS February 22, 2018 at 10:10 am. Volunteers are still needed for both shows and especially to sell raffle tickets at both shows.

Scholarships: Teresa Spence reported that the Senior scholarship will be available from March 28, 2018 – April 10, 2018 for students to apply. There is a committee to review the applicants (Teresa Spence, Jamie Price, and Diane Ducey Anderson) but more volunteers are needed.

Marcia Horton reported that the summer music scholarships will be available at the Fine Arts Festival and they need to be mailed into booster PO Box by March 31, 2018.

Old Business: Teresa Spence reported that the parent letter was never sent to Jr. High parents this year and will try to get in out fall 2018 when school starts.

Teresa Spence also reported for Sharon Baxley that there will be 4 new designs for shirts that will be sold at the fine arts festival.

New Business: Cary Woolard reported that 4 new microphones will be needed in the auditorium by the year 2020.

Diane Ducey Anderson reported that Tolono Fun Day will be June 30, 2018 and discussed if there will be an Alumni band this year. Diane also reported that Unity Marching band was invited to be in the July 4th Champaign parade if there is any interest.

Laura Walsten moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Diane Ducey Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

The next meeting is March 20, 2018 in the Unity East music room at 7 p.m.

Unity Music Boosters

January 16, 2018
Unity East Choir Room
(Approved at February Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence at 7:05 p.m. There were 9 people present.

Secretary's Report: Charissa Wood presented the minutes from the December 19, 2017 meeting. Laura Walsten moved to approve the minutes. Ashley Fenoglio seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: President Teresa Spence decided to defer the Treasurer's report until the February meeting due to the absence of Treasurer Maggie Chappell.

Director's Report:

Ashley Fenoglio: Ashley reported that the Barnes and Noble fundraiser went well and kids had a great time. Full band rehearsal has started and is also going well. Students are trying out for solos. Ashley reported that the Unity East website is up and running. You can get to it from the unity boosters website. There will also be a field trip to Milliken University for 2 – 5th grade music students where they will perform on February 17, 2018.

Jerry Cardiff: Marcia Horton reported for Jerry. Marcia reported the high school Solo and Ensemble will be at Heritage in Broadlands on March 3, 2018. The jr. high Solo and Ensemble will be at Heritage Jr. High in Homer on March 24, 2018. Marcia also reported these other important dates: Fine Arts Festival on March 8, 2018, High school band concert on March 1, 2018, and Jr. High band concert on March 13, 2018.

Ashley Giberson: Teresa Spence reported for Ashley. Teresa reported that Ashley met with Mr. Morrison and he gave the approval for Ms. Giberson to continue working on a formal lighting proposal and would be appreciative of the Music Boosters assisting with some of the needed funds along with the school administration and that it would be nice to have some new lighting for the spring musical. Show choir is getting ready for competitions and be performing at the March 1, 2018 High School Winter Concert for parents and community to preview the show.

Communications: Laura Walsten reported props are needed for the upcoming high school musical.

Fundraising: Teresa Spence reported that \$455.37 was received from the Barnes and Noble Fundraiser. Maggie Grimm reported that two girls' basketball games were cancelled due to weather will be rescheduled for January 24 & 30, 2018 and volunteers are needed. Maggie also reported that there is a morning tournament for boys' basketball coming up on February 10, 2018 and coffee, donuts, bananas, and granola bars might be a nice addition. Pizza could be later in the day. The pop cooler is now fixed and working properly.

All Out A Cappella: Bonnie Woolard reported that it will be February 24, 2018 at 5 & 8 p.m. Posters are made and tickets will available this Friday, January 19, 2018. The cost of making all the posters was \$91.85. More discussion on this event will be directly after the January 16, 2018 booster meeting.

Jazz & Java: Marcia Horton reported that the Frank Center in Philo is reserved for this event on May 10, 2018.

Scholarships: Teresa Spence reported that she talked with Mr. Morrison about the Music Booster scholarship and he is good with this. The school board just has to approve this at the next board meeting on Wednesday, January 17, 2018. Also a committee needs to be formed to review the applicants.

Marcia Horton reported that the summer music scholarship applications are ready to go and will be available at the Fine Arts Festival on March 8, 2018. They need to be mailed in and the deadline is March 31, 2018.

Old Business: Teresa Spence reported that the parent letter has been sent out to high school parents but still waiting for it to be sent to jr. high parents.

New Business: Teresa Spence reported for Sharon Baxley that the new apparel will be ordered through Wisekamps and should be ready for the All Out A Cappella concert. There was a discussion is maybe we should wait to sell them at either the first band concert or fine arts festival since raffle tickets will be on sale at the All Out A Cappella concert. Sharon is also working with Jerry Cardiff to come up with a marching band fundraiser.

Teresa also reported that Mr. Morrison wants the boosters to get a plan together for the new lighting system and hopefully we can have some by the high school musical. The hanging microphones in the auditorium have been fixed and are working properly. There was also a discussion about the sound system always staying in the same place rather being moved around and it could get damaged.

Laura Walsten moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Mike Roy seconded. Motion carried. The next meeting is February 20, 2018 in the Unity West music room at 7 p.m.

Unity Music Boosters
December 19, 2017
UHS
(Approved at January Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence at 7:05 p.m. There were 12 people present.

Secretary's Report: Marcia Horton presented the November 14, 2017 minutes for Charissa Wood. Mike Roy moved to approve the minutes. Bonnie Woolard seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Teresa Spence presented the Treasurer's report for Maggie Chappell. Laura Walsten moved to approve the minutes. Mike Roy seconded. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

Jerry Cardiff: Marcia Horton reported for Jerry Cardiff. The High school and Jr. High band concerts went very well. There is not pep band over Christmas break. The pep band schedule is posted on the booster website. Jazz band rehearsals will be on an as needed basis.

Victoria Kensik: Victoria reported that the Nutcracker went well last week. There is a chorus performance on December 20, 2017 in the morning. The musical this spring for the high school is "9 to 5". Victoria will be the assist director and pit director. The musical is April 26-28, 2018.

Communication: Laura Walsten reported that Jerry Cardiff sent her the pep band schedule and it is now posted on the booster website and that pep band is not until after the first of the year.

Fundraising:

Letter Writing Campaign: Marcia Horton reported that there was good participation this year. There were 404 letters sent out. The total amount received this year was \$6,832 and \$4,621 was for band and \$1,593 was for choir. Also \$100 was received towards the Polly Anderson Scholarship.

Barnes and Noble: Teresa Spence reported that this fundraiser went well and we had \$3000 in sales but we are waiting to hear what percentage of that we receive for the music boosters.

Basketball Concessions: Jamie Price reported that games are at 6 p.m. They are going pretty well but could use more volunteers. Also a new cooler is needed.

All Out Acepella: Bonnie and Cary Woolard reported that the event will be on February 24, 2018 and there will be two shows at 5 and 8 p.m. There are 6 groups right now who are planning on coming and they are from University of Illinois, Milliken University, and Illinois State University. There is a planning meeting on Thursday, January 4, 2018 at the Fire House in Tolono at 7 p.m. Maggie and Paul Chappell will help again with food this year but still many volunteers are needed. There is also a need for two parents to help coordinate all the volunteers this year.

Jazz & Java: Marcia Horton reported that Jazz & Java will be on May 10, 2018. Marcia has paid \$39 to the Franks Center and \$118.50 needs to be paid before the event takes place.

Scholarship: Teresa Spence reported that there will be a \$500 scholarship for students to apply for at the end of the year

for their first year of college. There will be an application to fill out and applicants must have been involved in the Unity music program, outside activities and have three references.

Summer Scholarships: Marcia Horton reported that there will be summer scholarships again this year.

Old Business: Teresa Spence reported that the parent letter has been emailed to all high school parents and will be sent to the Jr. High parents hopefully soon in January.

New Business: Sharon Baxley is working on a new design for music apparel. Any ideas can be given to her.

Laura Walsten moved to approve that \$39 be reimbursed to Marcia Horton for the Franks Center rental. Mike Roy seconded. **Motion carried.**

Laura Walsten moved to approve that Maggie Chappell pay \$10 to the Secretary of state. Cary Woolard seconded. **Motion carried.**

Mike Roy moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m. Laura Walsten seconded. Motion carried.

The next meeting is January 16, 2018 at the Unity East Music Room at 7 p.m.

Unity Music Boosters
November 14, 2017
UHS Choir Room
(Approved at December Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence at 7:09 p.m. There were 9 present.

Secretary's Report: Marcia Horton presented the minutes for Charissa Wood from the October 17, 2017 meeting. Maggie Chappell moved to approve the minutes. Lisa RInk seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Maggie Chappell presented the Treasurer's report. Laura Walsten moved to approve the report. Jamie Price seconded. Motion carried.

Director's Reports

Jerry Cardiff: Marcia reported for Jerry that the Junior High Band concert will be December 5 and the High School Band Concert will be December 11.

Ashley Marshall: Ashley reported that both evenings of the Junior High musical were sold out. They used online ticket sales. Musical was great with a few glitches with the microphones. Ashley was very pleased with all the help from parents and the high school students. The Banner singers performed at the U of I men's basketball game on Nov. 12. ILMEA is Nov. 18 at Olivet Nazarene University. Surreal Sound will be singing at a Busey Bank function pending administration approval. The choral students will perform the evening shift at the Barnes and Noble fundraiser on December 9.

Victoria Kensek: Victoria reported that the 4th grade concert at Unity West is Thursday, November 16, 2017. Also the musical Nutcracker for Unity West will be December 14 at the High School auditorium. The West choir will perform at 10:30 am for the Barnes and Noble fundraiser on Dec. 9. There is a conflict with the Girl's basketball team so a few singers will be missing. Victoria is selling "Unity Music" t-shirts to her band and choir students. They will also sell them at the concerts. She has sizes of Youth – med and large and Adult – S, M, L, XL, XXL and XXXL.

Communications: Laura Walsten reported that she is waiting for last minute info before she can upload the volunteer pages for Girls Basketball Concessions. Please remember to email any info needed for the website or the eblasts.

Fundraising:

Letter Writing Campaign: Marcia Horton reported that they have received over \$6600 so far. There may be more donations at the PO Box.

Fall Showcase: Maggie Chappell reported that the school has been paid for the Show Choir portion of the risers (\$5000)

from the proceeds of the Showcase. Teresa reported that she paid for a \$25 Facebook advertisement that was aimed at people in the region of Unit 7 and felt that it was helpful. There were only about 20-30 unsold tickets for each show.

Barnes and Noble: Laura needs the flyers and performance schedule from Chris West soon so she can add the information to the website.

All Out Acapella: Volunteers are still needed and someone to shadow the Woolards this year so the program can continue on next year - specifically to coordinate the volunteer aspect of the event. The tentative date is February 3, 2018.

Jazz n Java: Marcia will reserve the May 10, 2018 date with the Franks Center by making a deposit.

Band Fundraiser: Discussion was had for the need for a Band specific fundraiser. Possibly a jazz band invite with other schools held in the auditorium. Teresa expressed the desire for an "event" type of fundraiser versus selling stuff.

Tea Party: The Tea Party will be Sunday, Dec. 10, at Hand in Hand daycare in Tolono. Flyers have been sent to West, East, Hand in Hand, Hugs and Bugs and St. Thomas School in Philo.

Scholarships: Teresa Spence reported that she discussed with Jerry Cardiff and Ashley Marshall about a Polly Anderson scholarship being offered to graduating seniors who are pursuing a career in music. This is a work in progress but definitely want to have it ready for this spring.

Marcia reported no action with the Summer Music camp scholarship committee.

Old Business: Teresa Spence reported that Mike Roy loaned some of his lighting for the Jr High musical and that Ashley purchased some more pieces. Ashley hopes to add more lighting as time goes on. Teresa said that the parent's letter will soon be sent via email to all Junior High and Senior High school music parents. The letter needs to be reviewed by Mr. Morrison and Mrs. Fitzgerald.

New Business:

Jamie Price moved to approve that Marcia Horton pay up to \$100 to reserve the Franks Center for Jazz n Java on May 10, 2018. Lisa RInk seconded. Motion carried.

Maggie Chappell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Jamie Price seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

The next meeting is December 19, 2017, 7 pm, in the Unity High School band room.

Unity Music Boosters
October 17, 2017
Unity West Music Room
(Approved at November Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence at 7:05 p.m. There were 13 people present.

Secretary's Report: Charissa Wood presented the minutes from the September 19, 2017 meeting. Laura Walsten moved to approve the minutes. Marcia Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Maggie Chappell presented the Treasurer's report. Laura Walsten moved to approve the report. Marcia Horton seconded. Motion carried.

Director's Reports:

Jerry Cardiff: Jerry reported the marching band had a successful season. They placed first in the Danville competition receiving all the caption awards. They also placed first in the EIU competition and also won color guard and general effect. The marching band placed second at the Newton competition and third place overall. Marching band is now over and pep band is starting shortly. Jazz band practice starts on Thursday, October 19th at 7:30 am.

Ashley Marshall: Teresa Spence reported for Ashley. Teresa reported that Acapella is performing at the I-Hotel this evening (October 17, 2017). It is a paid performance. The show choir fall showcase went well. The sound board in the auditorium needs some maintenance and wheels on it would be nice for moving it around. The choir mics need repairing. Also, the school trailer could use some maintenance. The Jr. High musical is Beauty and the Beast, Jr. and it is going very well and some costumes are being borrowed from CUTC for the performance.

Victoria Kensik: Victoria reported that the 4th grade concert at Unity West is Thursday, November 16, 2017. Also the musical Nutcracker for Unity West had already had auditions and parts will be given soon.

Communications: Laura Walsten reported that things are going well and that the PayPal campaign is still getting donations. The website is also running well. Laura also reported that basketball concessions will be run by Jamie Price and Maggie Grimm.

Fundraising:

Letter Writing Campaign: Marcia Horton reported that 404 letters went out during the Letter Writing Campaign. There was a raffle for the students who participated in the campaign. A \$50 Forever 21 certificate was won by a high school student and a \$50 Michael's certificate was won by a Jr. High student.

Fall Showcase: Maggie Grimm reported that it went very well this year and smoother than other years. More tickets were sold for the first show and the involvement with the parent volunteers also went well. The new risers were a lot easier to put together! The two things that could be improved upon were that people were cold and more lighting needed to be on the stage. The date for next year is October 14, 2018.

All Out Acapella: Cary Woolard reported that he is still going to see various groups around town and at Milliken University. Volunteers are still needed and someone to shadow them this year so the program can continue on next year. The tentative date is February 3, 2018.

Scholarships: Teresa Spence reported that she talked with Jerry Cardiff and Ashley Marshall about the possibility of a scholarship being offered to graduating seniors who are pursuing a career in music and all agree that this would be a great thing to do.

Old Business: Teresa Spence reported that Mike Roy is working on new lighting for the stage in the auditorium. Also the new parent's letter that was drafted by Bonnie Woolard should be sent to all Jr. & High school parents. It needs to be looked into if the school can send it through email so all band and chorus parents get this email.

New Business:

Laura Walsten moved to approve that Marcia Horton get reimbursed \$100 for the student raffle during the Letter writing campaign. Cary Woolard seconded. **Motion carried.**

Laura Walsten moved to approve that Marcia Horton get reimbursed \$53.28 for the purchase of food for senior night. Cary Woolard seconded. **Motion carried.**

Diane (Ducey) Anderson moved that the meeting be adjourned that 7:50 pm. Laura Walsten seconded. Motion carried.

The next meeting is November 14, 2017 in the Unity high school choir room at 7pm.

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Unity HS Band Room
(Approved at October Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence. There were 12 people present.

Secretary's Report: Charissa Wood presented the minutes from the August 15, 2017 meeting. Diane (Ducey) Anderson moved to approve the minutes. Jessica Lopez seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Maggie Chapell was ill and the treasurer's report was tabled until the October meeting. Teresa Spence reported that we have received the check from Scotty's Brew house for our fundraiser.

Director's Report:

Jerry Cardiff: Marcia Horton reported for Jerry Cardiff. Marching band is going well and the entire show was performed at the homecoming football game last Friday. Marching band has a competition at Danville on September 23, 2017. Performance time is 4:45 p.m. There is also a competition on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at EIU and performance time is 2:45 p.m. The itinerary for that will be shared later this week. The Newton Marching band competition is Saturday, October 7, 2017. No schedule released for Newton competition yet. The Harry Potter shirts for marching band look great and kids seem happy with them. Senior night for marching band will be Friday, October 13, 2017 at the football game. ILMEA auditions are Monday, October 9, 2017 at Bloomington High school. Both the high school and Jr. High will be participating in ILMEA.

Ashley Giberson: Ashley reported that the new risers are here and carrying crates are being made so they can be transported easier. The kids are excited about new risers. The music boosters needs to reimburse the school for \$5,000 for the risers. Ashley also reported that the Jr. High musical is going smoothly. It is Beauty and the Beast on November 10-11, 2017. The lighting system on the stage needs updating and a piece by piece system would be great so it can be taken on the road to competitions. Parents have stepped up and are volunteering to help with the musical. Acapella is making a 17 song CD which covers songs from 2015 to the summer of 2017. Grace West is designing the cover for this CD. On October 17, 2017 Acapella is singing at the I-Hotel in Champaign. Ashley also reported that new spirit wear is being made.

Victoria Kensik: Victoria reported that band and chorus starts next week for 5th grade at Unity West. There are 40 band members and 35 to 40 chorus members. Victoria also reported that there was a \$750 donation given to Unity West music.

Ashley Fenoglio: Ashley reported that band and Choir started last week and she has 31 choir members in 4th & 5th grade and 19 in band. Ashley also reported that \$500 was donated to purchase hand drums for the students.

Communication: Laura Walsten reported that she needs updates on events to be put on the Unity Music booster's website. Teresa Spence reported that Bonnie Woolard put together a letter to be given to parents to let them know how to get involved in music boosters and to increase membership.

Fundraising: Marcia Horton reported that the letting writing campaign letters were mailed today and 371 letters were sent out. Jessica Lopez and Jamie Price would like to be on the fundraising committee.

Teresa Spence reported on the Fall Showcase that that they meet weekly. The fall showcase is on Sunday, October 15, 2017 at the Savoy recreation center at 1 & 5 p.m. Tickets seems to be selling well. On October 6, 2017 the fall showcase will be advertised on WCIA Living. Raffle basket donations are still needed from area businesses. The next fall showcase meeting is Thursday, September 28, 2017 and also on Tuesday, October 3 & 10, 2017 and they are all at the Tolono Firehouse. Banners for fall showcase till need to be made.

Cary Woolard reported that All Out Acepella tentative date is February 3, 2018. May volunteers are needed for this event to run smoothly. Cary also reported that someone needs to shadow them to take over this event next year.

Teresa Reported that the Barnes & Noble fundraiser is Saturday, December 9, 2017 and that Chris West needs someone to shadow her to take this event over next year. Teresa also reported that the Tea party this year will be at Hand in Hand this year on December 10, 2017.

Scholarships: Teresa Spence reported that a scholarship is being created for students in band or choir who want to pursue music career after high school. A committee needs to be formed for this to look into this and get some feedback. Jamie Price has volunteers to lead up the committee. Teresa also reported that summer 2017 scholarship thank you notes are starting to come in and we have received one from Annie Schmidt.

New Business: Ashley Giberson will put together a proposal for a new lighting system for the high school auditorium.

Laura Walsten moved to approve that \$405.31 be reimbursed to Marcia Horton for the letter writing campaign. Mike Roy seconded. **Motion carried.**

Mike Roy moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m. Cary Woolard seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting is October 17, 2017 at Unity West music room.

Unity Music Boosters

August 15, 2017
Unity HS Band Room
(Approved at September Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence at 7:02 p.m. There were 17 people present.

Secretary's Report: Marcia Horton presented the minutes for Charissa Wood from the July 18, 2017 meeting. Maggie Chappell moved to approve the minutes. Laura Walsten seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Maggie Chappell presented the Treasurer's Report. Maggie Grimm moved to approve the minutes. Laura Walsten seconded. Motion carried.

Director Reports:

Jerry Cardiff: Jerry reported that marching band camp week went well and 60 students attended. The theme for the show this year is Harry Potter. There are 56 students in the 7th & 8th grand band and 46 students in the 6th grade band. Jerry also reported that there is a band open house at Unity West on September 7, 2017. Intersquad is Friday August 18, 2017 and the marching band will perform the opener of the show. The students are to wear Unity shirts and the time is TBD.

Ashley Marshall: Teresa Spence reported for Ashley that the show choir was moved to zero hour and first hour. It was decided at the end of school last year in May but it could possibly change in future years. A Jr. High music cabinet is needed for the choir room and would like the school to purchase it. The Acapella group (Surreal Sound) is doing well and there could be a possibility that this group could have events in the Champaign area this school year. Teresa also reported show choir camp went well and new t-shirts for show choir would be a good idea and they would be \$10. Ashley will be teaching a music appreciation class this year and the curriculum for this class is currently being made. Sierra Falk is the new drama teacher. Ashley will be directing the Jr. High musical but will need parent volunteers to make this go smoothly. The Fall Showcase is Sunday, October 15, 2017. The showcase marathon rehearsal will be August 26, 2017 and no dinner will be on the 26th.

Victoria Kensik: Victoria reported that there is a Unity West band open house on September 7, 2017. Concert dates are as follows: November 16, 2017 – 4th grade concert; December 14, 201 - 3rd grade concert at the high school; April 3, 2018 – 2nd grade concert; April 17, 2018 K-1st grade concert; and May 11, 2018 – 5th grade concert at high school.

Ashley Fenoglio: Ashley, new Unity East Director, reported that she is getting concerts dates set up and will have more to report next month.

Communication Report: Laura Walsten reported that all music teachers need to send her their information for the eblast. Also we need to encourage parents to subscribe to the eblast newsletter.

Fundraising: Marcia Horton reported that she is working on the letter writing campaign. It starts August 28, 2017 and students need to return their letters by September 14, 2017 to the band or choir room. Students are encouraged to send out at least 5 letters but more would be great. Teresa Spence reported that the boosters needs someone to shadow the Woolards for the All Out A Cappella concert so it can be under new leadership next year. Also we need to come up with a fundraiser for band to raise more money. Jerry Cardiff suggested a raffle. Teresa also reported that we need more spirit wear and need a volunteer who is willing to take this over. Girl basketball concessions need volunteers to sign up for

games.

Fall Showcase: Maggie Grimm reported that the Fall Showcase will be Sunday, October 15, 2017 at the Savoy Recreation Center. There will be two shows at 1 and 5 p.m. The food is taken care of by IGA, the same as last year. A committee meeting will be Thursday, August 17, 2017 at 7 p.m. at the Tolono Fire Station. Volunteers are still needed.

Scholarships: Marcia Horton reported that thank you notes from students who received scholarships for summer music camps are coming in.

New Business: Teresa Spence reported that 2 booster meeting dates have been changed for this school year:

September 19, 2017 – Unity East music room at 7 p.m.

October 17, 2017 – Unity West music room at 7 p.m.

November 14, 2017 – Unity HS choir room at 7 p.m.

January 16, 2018 – Unity East music room at 7 p.m.

February 20, 2018 – Unity West music room at 7 p.m.

March 20, 2018 - Unity East music room at 7 p.m.

April 17, 2018 – Unity HS band room at 7 p.m.

May 14, 2018 – Unity HS band room at 7 p.m.

Laura Walsten moved to approve the reimbursement of \$552 to Heartland Cleaners for the cleaning of marching band uniforms. Diane (Ducey) Anderson seconded. **Motion carried.**

Laura Walsten moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Bonnie Woolard seconded. Motion carried. Next meeting Sept. 17, 2017 at 7 p.m. at Unity East music room.

Unity Music Boosters

July 18, 2017

Monica's in Tolono

(Approved at August Mtg)

The meeting was called to order by President Teresa Spence at 7:08 p.m. There were 10 present.

Secretary's Report: Teresa presented the minutes on behalf of Charissa Wood from the May 8 meeting. Mike Roy moved to approve the minutes. Laura Walsten seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Maggie Chappell presented the Treasurer's report. Maggie received a \$1000 donation to go towards Guard/Marching band. Maggie received a donation of \$1100 to purchase Pyware software (\$1099) for Kyle Ayers to use when he writes the marching band/color guard drill.

Krannert Center still needs payment from Unity West visit in the spring.

The GoDaddy website and SmugMug needs to be renewed.

Some sort of fundraiser needs to be found to help support the band program.

Several donations were received honoring Polly Anderson.

Laura Walsten moved to approve the treasurer's report. Diane Ducey seconded. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

Victoria Kensik: Victoria had nothing new to report about Unity West. She did say that the school board should approve someone this month to teach for Unity East.

Ashley Marshall: Teresa reported on behalf of Ashley Marshall. The date for the showchoir showcase is Sunday, October 15 to be held at the Savoy Rec Center. Surreal Sound has been rehearsing over the summer.

Show Choir camp is next week with 43 students signed up. The need for risers was discussed. They are becoming a safety issue.

Jerry Cardiff: Marching band camp is July 31- Aug 4. Kyle is writing the drill and the theme is Harry Potter. There are around 60 in the band/guard. A photo for the football program will be taken by Laura Walsten on the Thursday afternoon of band camp.

Communications: The annual report is finished and will be presented by Teresa to the school board at their meeting tomorrow night. Laura is always looking for information for the eblasts and website. Please send her any photos or videos also.

Fundraising: The group is looking for co-chairs for the various fundraisers. The letter campaign will be presented to the music classes the week of Aug 28 with the date to return the addressed letters being Sept. 14. Jessica and Diane will help Marcia with this.

Scholarships: The students are attending various camps and the drum majors were able to go this year. We have not received any thank you notes from the students yet.

Old Business: The CommUnity Band performed at the Tolono Fun Days parade in June. There were 11 musicians – current band, alumni and boosters. Thanks goes out to Al Johnston for pulling the group on Jeff Fishers' trailer.

New Business: Diane moved to reimburse Laura Walsten \$143.88 for GoDaddy, the host for the website and \$150 to SmugMug for the media share part of the website. Second by Mike. **Motion carried.**

Diane moved to approve \$50 to pay for the Maching Band/Guard advertisement in the Football program. Laura seconded. **Motion approved.**

Laura moved to use the \$1000 donation to pay for color guard proposal given by Kyle at the May meeting. Also to reimburse Jerry for the remaining \$617 used to pay for color guard. Seconded by Diane. **Motion carried.**

Teresa stated that because of her work schedule the meetings this year will need to remain on the third Tuesday of the month traveling to the different schools.

The next meeting is on August 15 at 7 pm in the High school band room.

Diane moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Laura seconded. Motion carried.
