

**Arcadia Music Boosters**  
**Budget Discussion**

Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> - HS Art Room – 5:30PM

**Attendees:** James Brake, Brandon Fullenkamp, Jodie Watson, Arlene McCarty, Rose Koehler, Jeralee Seaburn

A review of the most recent fundraiser revenues indicated a need to increase fundraising efforts if the current/future trip plans remain in place. The 4 most recent fundraisers raised approximately \$7000; 25% of which was added to the trip fund. The trip fund currently contains funds from previous years when students were actively fundraising under the prior 'points' system. Much of that money raised was for the Chicago trip that was canceled due to COVID in March 2020. Scheduled trips are the Toledo Walleye game (1/21/22) and the Dear Evan Hansen show (3/13/22). Future plans include the DCI trip this summer. A large portion of the trip costs is transportation. Currently a 56-person charter bus costs approximately \$1400 (including tip and ticket prices for the bus driver).

The team believes that better planning and communication of the Roads to Riches and March for Music fundraisers will result in better overall donations. Due to COVID constraints, these 2 fundraisers were scheduled back-to-back in Spring of 2021 and may have resulted in reduced revenues. The current plan is Roads to Riches will be handled in 1Q 2022 and March for Music will be held during band camp, with communications sent out months in advance.

The team reviewed the **Expenditures** section of the Bylaws and made the following proposed changes:

- ✓ Boosters will no longer pay for OMEA or Solo/Ensemble, District 3 fees. General music fund will cover these expenses. Parade revenues will be deposited into this account for these purposes.
- ✓ Band/choir annual awards will now also go through the music/band fund. Directors can request help from boosters for this if needed.

\*Music boosters will cover expenses up to \$300 per school year for décor/dinnerware for banquets (out of booster general fund).

\*Music boosters will allow up to \$3000 for outdoor music ensemble after collective fee monies have been spent.

The team also ask that any known expenses for future marching band shows be presented to the group in a timely fashion such that any decisions can be made on paying for these items and/or fundraising.