

TO: Dr. Mutchler
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FROM: Tom Rogers

RE: New Band Uniform Proposal

DATE: January 8th, 2015

Geneva High School, in conjunction with the Geneva Music Boosters and the “Friends of Geneva High School Band” (an enthusiastic and supportive group of band parents), propose the purchase of new uniforms for the 2015-2016 school year.

Specifically, we respectfully request that Geneva School District pay for half of the cost of the new uniforms. The fundraising efforts of the Music Boosters Band Uniform Committee and the “Friends of Geneva High School Band” will provide the funding for the other half. Thanks to the hard work put into past fundraisers and the generosity of the community, a considerable sum of money has been raised for new GHS band uniforms.

The Geneva High School Marching Band, Symphonic Band and Wind Symphony are currently using uniforms that are eighteen (18) years old. The uniforms have reached the end of their life span. Thanks to the care shown by the students, parents and Music Booster volunteers who mend and sew the uniforms each year, the uniforms have probably lasted longer than expected.

This proposal is consistent with the funding plan that was used eighteen years ago. The cost of the current uniforms was split between the School District and Music Boosters fundraising.

In addition to the funding we would respectfully request the ability to indicate the school district’s commitment to funding one-half of the uniform cost in a fundraising letter to be sent to all band parents and members of the community. At a recent “Friends of the Geneva Band” meeting it was suggested that the final fundraising goal may be met by utilizing a letter campaign asking parents and community members to make a donation to the new uniform fund. This idea is in lieu of selling various items over the next several months.

An itemized breakdown of the uniform cost is attached for your review.

I look forward to presenting this proposal at the Monday, January 12th, School Board meeting. Please let me know if you have any questions.