

IHS Music Boosters Meeting

2-12-2014

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Attendees: Marcia Abbadini, Jim Halamek, Barb Mowrer, Cathy & Don Krolkowski, Mary Dolansky, Diana Manocchio, Matt Schatt, Lina Soo, Maureen Mroczynski, Chris Grande

Meeting called to order at 6:35. The agenda was distributed & is posted on website.

Meeting minutes were emailed to attendees and hard copies available.

Mary motioned to approve; Diana seconded; All approved.

Correspondence (Marcia) – none.

Treasurers' Report (Jim) –

- Jim distributed a monthly report on the account status.
- Filing with the Attorney Generals' office is complete.
- See report for details on Pasta dinner – profit was ~\$2300 + ~\$300 for raffle

Reports from Matt Schatt (Band) and Meghan Schatt (Vocal) -

See attached (at end of report)

Membership Coordinator (Marie)-

- Jim confirmed that the CVCC membership check was received.

Volunteer Coordinator (Mary)-

- Will be recruiting for ticket sales. What about refreshments? Marcia thinks there is no intermission but will verify with Meghan.

Pasta Dinner (Bierman, Grande, Nemeth)

- The date for OMEA next year is a week earlier – January 17. This would put traditional timing for Pasta Dinner on Jan 10 – is this a problem with timing? Chris was the only person from the committee but she thinks they can make it work. She will speak with the rest of the group and let us know.
- Chris reported that the event in January ran well. The only problem was kids not turning the unused tickets back in. Towards the end of the evening, we ran out of tickets to sell at the door but it was only a few and it worked out.
- There was some concern over running out of food and a quick store run was made but it ended up being fine.
- 7:30 worked much better as a cut off time for serving meals.
- Advertising went very well this year.
- There was a suggestion that next year we have chairs placed in front of the stage for people that are not eating but staying to listen to music. This will free up tables for late arrivals.

- The Bob Evans fundraiser flyers were distributed at the event but we don't have a report from Marie on how that went. The information brochure indicated a check would be mailed in 3 weeks so we should be receiving that soon.

OLD BUSINESS

- Acme receipts – collection is over and although a final count is not complete, it looks like we will be short of the minimum. Worse yet, it seems that the Civic Center will no longer “host” collection boxes. Sue Halamek intercepted our Acme box being dropped off at the Primary school and recovered the receipts that were in it.
 - Since Cathy is retiring, someone will need to take over and figure out a new collection point. Receipts were not plentiful in the box at the High school so this is probably not a good option. Other suggestions were library or primary school? Since the new collection doesn't begin until September, there is some time to figure this out.
- Nominations committee – Lina will not be able to continue as Vice President so we will need that position filled as well. Don offered to continue with Communications. Is anyone willing to help recruit some people for officer positions?
 - Open positions – President, Vice President, Secretary
- By-Law revisions were complete and we discussed reading them out loud since several people were at this meeting but not the last meeting.
 - Maureen made a motion to email all attendees the document and then we vote by email. Chris seconded the motion and all approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- We had \$25 of the 50/50 raffle money donated back to Music Boosters – thank you to John Kapusta!
- Community concert in June – need chairperson for selling refreshments.
- Set up 2014-15 calendar (see Music Department calendar in Directors report – attached)

Motion to adjourn by Maureen; seconded by Lina. Meeting adjourned @ 7:50pm.

Dates to Remember:

Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast – March 2 - Student volunteers needed.

Large Group OMEA - March 7/8

Musical – The Drowsy Chaperone – March 21,22 - 7pm

Music Booster Meeting Schedule 2013-2014 School Year

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>(at IHS Media Center)</u>
March 12	6:30 pm	
April 9	6:30 pm	
May 1 (Thurs)	6:30 pm	

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Matt's Report

February 12, 2014

Reports from Matt Schatt (Band) and Meghan Schatt (Vocal)

Pasta Dinner Performances

- Thank you to all who gave of their time and energy!

OMEA/Solo and Ensemble

- 18 Superior, 5 Excellent, 2 Good ratings
- I doubt many other schools can boast such a strong showing!
- More importantly, we had a number of new faces perform in ensembles, which helps to bolster our mission.
- Thanks to Ken Gunlicks who volunteered on the Vocal side of things.

The Drowsy Chaperone

- Meghan has been in contact with individuals for assistance already in various capacities.

Lg. Group/Guest Conductor

- Due to the musical schedule, we are removing the Guest Conductor (February) date from our calendar.
 - I hope to revisit this in future years, as it would be a tremendous opportunity for our students to do this on a regular basis.
- We have requested a Friday evening time for Wind Ensemble (March 7 - Avon Lake H.S.) and Saturday morning times for Vocal Ensemble (March 8 - the old Midpark H.S. – now Middleburg Hts. J.H.)
- Written information and times will be provided once we receive confirmation and scheduling information.

Honors Band/Vocal – Scheduling

- A 2-year project in the making.
- Students now have the opportunity in their senior year (if they meet general pre-requisites) to take band, vocal, or both as a 4.5 GPA course. Additional requirements are necessary to achieve the 4.5 level.

Trailer

- Another 2-year project in the making. We continue to work on this.
- May need to allocate more money to this project depending on how heavy-duty we want to go. Light (\$2500) -> Heavy (\$4500)
- We have a middle school band parent who I may approach to do lettering and professional painting. Thoughts on logo?
- Consideration for operating expenses might be to solicit annual patrons for the side door.

Cedar Point 2014

- There has been a call by membership to revisit a Marching Band trip to Cedar Point on Saturday, May 31 (the day before Commencement).
- You will recall that the October 2013 trip was cancelled due to lack of commitment.
- This may be a good time as it is post-Memorial Day, but before the vacation time of June.
- Tickets would be \$30-35 a student. Meals not included.
- Will take a sign-up in the near future to gauge interest. Need 75 to go.

Schedule for 2014-2015

- Marching Band forms will be received Wednesday/Thursday; addressed to parents and mailed home.
- Dates for Band Camp are on the form.
 - Home Camp – July 22-26 (Mornings)
 - Away Camp – July 28-Aug 1 (All Day)
 - Home Days Parade – Aug 2
- Cleveland Indians Parade of Bands (TBA), in lieu of Wednesday evening rehearsal September 24, 2014. Please buy group tickets through Department. (\$20 student tickets)
- A Thursday Game???
 - Beachwood, October 2 @ 4:30 p.m.
- LONG Road Trip/Away Game on NEOEA Day in October 17th. Will likely leave earlier and stop for dinner.

- Pasta Dinner
 - It would appear that Solo and Ensemble for 2015 will be January 17
 - Options: Pasta Dinner - Saturday, January 10 or January 24
- Florida Trip – August 6-11, 2015 (Monday-Saturday)

Alumni Band

- Homecoming tentatively slated for September 19 (Waiver Day – Richmond Hts.) or September 26 (Fairport Hts.)
- Need publication dates for advertisements
- See handout for additional information; Will take online sign-ups
- Boosters participation: Additional Third Quarter refreshments, Sign-in Table
- Big Question: Hoodie/T-shirt/Light Jacket/Other?

Finances

- Drill Team repayment was cancelled without telling anyone. I am tracking it down.
- Upcoming Expenses (In the next 5 years):
 - Instrument purchases
 - Small Percussion for Vocal (couple hundred dollars)
 - Amplifier (???)
 - Sousaphone(s) (\$2000-\$2500)
 - Timpani (\$8000)
 - Uniform purchases
 - Raincoats (\$75/each)
 - Additional Uniforms (Marching and Concert)
 - Technology