

IHS MUSIC BOOSTERS MEETING

November 8th, 2017 – IHS Library – 7:30 PM

Attendees: Mary Dolansky, Janis Kundmueller, Nadine Londrico, Gretchen Obrovac, Kelly Savastano, Matt Schatt, Rita Silvestro, Joe Streibel, Marian Streibel, Joel Valenti, Sally Valenti, Angela Zambito.

Meeting called to order at 7:37 PM.

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2017 meeting was made by Marian Streibel and seconded by Nadine Londrico – all approved.

Director's Report - Matt Schatt (Band)

In The Past...

Band "Family" Night (Friday, October 13):

- We had 29 people participate by playing music in the stands.
- Thank you to the IHS Music Boosters for the third quarter refreshments!
- The response and comments were overwhelmingly positive!

"Lights" Out Show (Friday, October 27):

- Thank you for your donation of batteries for this endeavor!
- I purchased some extras as spares, but also intend to provide our slightly used batteries for the IHS Drama Club wireless microphone rehearsals and new sets of batteries for their performances. So thank you, in advance, on behalf of the IHS Drama Club.

Sounds of the Stadium (Sunday, October 29):

- We had approximately 300 people in attendance. It was nice to see a younger crowd turn out for the performance.
- This, also, was well received with numerous positive comments gleaned from our performance.
- Side note: Links to all performances from the year are available in the Members' Area of our website. It is password locked due to copyright restrictions, so ask your son or daughter for the password or to get you in.

Butterbraid Sale:

- We sold a total of 226 items this year, which totals almost \$1265 in gross profit.

Band Buddies

- Three high school students have begun mentoring six IMS students although I expect that number to continue to grow.

To The Future...

Citrus Fruit Sale

- Runs through Friday, November 17.
- I encourage members to place their orders online; however, printed forms are available as well. The website to place orders is: www.freshfruitorder.org/ihsmusic
- Checks can also be sent in and should be made payable to "IHS"
- Please use social media and emails to spread the word. We will not go door-to-door due to safety.

BGSU Honors Band

- Four students requested nomination for participation in the BGSU Honors Band that runs from Thursday, November 16 - Saturday, November 18.
- Our participants that were accepted are Maren Benos, Hannah Botzman, Hannah Fleming, and Marco DiGeronimo.
- These students will get to hear collegiate performances, rehearse with other high school students of various ability levels, and perform a concert at 2:00p on Saturday, November 18 in BGSU's Kobacker Auditorium.

Solo and Ensemble Adjudication

- Information went home last Thursday (November 2) regarding participation in this year's adjudication.
- This year's event will take place at Padua High School on Saturday, January 20, 2018.
- Band students are requested to turn in their intent to participate to me by November 17. The cost for members is \$9.00/solo and \$11.00 split among all members of an ensemble.

Holiday Concert

- This year's Holiday Concert is slated to be Thursday, December 14.
- No additional assistance is needed for this performance, other than Pasta Dinner tickets being handed out that night.

With Gratitude...

- Aside from the aforementioned, thank you to all parents and students for a successful first quarter and Marching Band season!

Director's Report - Gretchen Obrovac (Vocal)

Events:

- Performance September 14th at IPS for National Anthem Day, fun for all
- Butterbraid sale has been turned in. Delivery this Monday November 13th.
- Fruit sale turn in November 17th, online orders until November 26th. Delivery week of December 11th.
- Our December performance Season begins! See below.

From the Class:

- The Vocal Uniform Rigmarole
 - 2 dresses, 9 vests, 9 shirts, 9 ties and 15 pairs of pants were ordered on August 25th. Half on my personal credit card to begin production, and half a check from Music Boosters. Music Boosters reimbursed me by check as well.
 - 1 additional dress ordered on September 8th to accommodate a new student adding Vocal. Music Boosters sent check to pay. Rivar's also made the mistake of charging my personal credit card (listed nowhere on this order form) and sending an invoice to the Board for this same order. Major mistake on their accounting department.
 - Men's size 16.5 36/37 was out of stock. Had to adjust 3 shirts up to 17.5 36/37.
 - Delay in production due to men's pants on back order.
 - Was given a shipping date of September 15th originally. On September 28th, I was told they were still waiting for our second half payment. Rivar's miscommunicated to their representative that they had in fact cashed a check on September 18th. Marian and Joe Streibel were very helpful and timely with responses to verify this information.
 - Shipments arrived the first week of October.
 - One of the dresses was made backwards. Rivar's has since replaced it.
 - The men's vests (that were \$6 cheaper this year) are not the same. They have 5 buttons and are made out of the same fabric; however, the back is a different fabric, they are longer, and they don't have a belt to cinch in the back. Rivar's said they didn't learn of this difference until after a few shipments went out. They will replace them, but it may not be in time for our concerts, because the original item from last year was out of stock.
 - Four men's ties were made incorrectly. They will be sending me a shipping label to return them and they will be replaced.
 - I have been in communication with "higher-ups" at the company and have conveyed my disappointment in their service and communication this year. I have used this company for more than 10 years because of their quality.
 - Shirlyn Franko (Fleming grandmother) has altered a few dresses, and has hemmed all the men's pants. Her time and effort is very much appreciated!
- Vocal Ensemble began holiday music on September 26th. We will begin a little choreography next week. On most songs, we are getting into the final phases of learning, adding the nuances that make the performances truly musical.
- Seven students will be performing with the CVC Honors Choir on Monday, November 20th at Kirtland High School: Karah Chappel, Emma Sommer, Grace Heldwein, Thorin Chappel, Anthony Londrico, Grace Mousty, and Aliya McDonald.
- We have also begun choosing repertoire for Solo and Ensemble Contest. Our usual routine would be to begin this in December, or even after the Holiday Concert. The date being January 20th and only 8 school

days in 2018 before that, we need to start much earlier this year! Ensembles have been chosen and several solos as well.

- Ensembles will perform at the Pasta Dinner on January 28th. The entire Vocal Ensemble will perform that day as well.

Action items:

- Request to send Condolences to the Suhy families. Allison Suhy was a member of Drama Club.

Upcoming Dates:

Date	Location	For what	Meet	Perform	Finished	Transportation
Friday December 1	Embassy Suites	Ohio Contractors	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	12:15 PM	Bus
Sunday December 3	Civic Center	Holiday Fest	1:00 PM	1:45 PM	2:15 PM	Self
Monday December 4	Civic Center	Kiwanis	6:00 PM	6:30 PM	7:00 PM	Self
Wednesday December 6	Holiday Inn	Holiday Inn	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	1:30 PM	Bus
Thursday December 14	IHS Auditorium	IHS Holiday Concert	6:30 PM	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Self
Thursday December 21	IMS Auditorium	IMS students - THIS IS YOUR "SEMESTER EXAM"	1:20 PM	1:45 PM	2:30 PM	Self

Correspondence – Kelly Savastano - Sent a condolence card to the Halamek family and a thank you card to the City of Independence for the use of the tent.

Treasurer Report – Joe Streibel

- We received the money from the Athletic Boosters for the pop and water
- Report by fund for period October 11 – November 8, 2017 was distributed.

Committee Reports:

Membership – Angela Zambito

- Membership is up to 60.
- New memberships are still coming in.
- Collected canned food at the Sounds of the Stadium.

Volunteer Coordinator – Terri Skrocki

- Need volunteers to help at Holiday Fest on December 3rd

Pasta Dinner – Janis Kundmueller

- Committee met
- Pasta Dinner will be held on January 27th
- Mary Dolansky sent Janis the flyer and it will be in the Spotlight

- Mr. Schatt sent an email to band parents with information about the date and asking for volunteers
- Vodrazka's will again print the tickets for us at no charge
- Committee will meet again next Tuesday November 14th at 7:00 PM

Football Refreshments – Nadine Londrico & Mary Dolansky

- Thank you to everyone that helped serve refreshments to the band kids this season. Your time and dedication are greatly appreciated.
- Thank you to the Turska and Benos families for hosting the last 2 band parties.
- Thank you to the Londrico family for donating all the fruit and vegetables for the band refreshments.
- Total amount spent for the 5 games \$1067.74. Amount to reimburse the Boosters is \$132.26.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Holiday Fest – we are selling hot dogs, pop and water
 - Let us know how much help you need and Terri will send a request for volunteers
 - Last year there were 3 shifts with 3 adults and 2 students
 - Students will get service hours as this is not a Disney fundraising opportunity
- Thank you sent to the Mayor and the City for the use of the tent.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Send condolence card to Suhly family.
- Motion to send a \$50 donation in memoriam for the Halamek family was made by Sally Valenti and seconded by Marian Streibel - All approved.
- Thank you to Chrissy Fichter for all the great Marching Band photos posted on Facebook.
- Thank you to the following 26 Senior Marching Band Members for their hard work and dedication during the Marching Band season. You will be missed!

Abby Andrysczyk	Madeline Mindzora
Caroline Barto	Emily Reed
Maren Benos	Mason Roberts
Abbey Bugaj	Emily Rundle
Martha Clymer	Emily Sakoske
Marco DiGeronimo	Nina Savastano
Nicole Dolansky	Liam Sheehan
Nick Erdmann	Emma Sommer
Maddie Fichter	Josh Stasek
Marissa Fogg	Brian Synek
Jasmine Harb	Dawson Turska
Grace Heldwein	Kelsey Wilmot
Emily Kasperski	Luke Wisniewski

- Thank you to Angela Zambito and Nadine Londrico for their assistance at Sounds of the Stadium
- Grant Application has been updated to \$300 limit. Sent to Don Krolikowski to put update on the website.
- Cost of batteries for the Lights Out show exceeded the approved amount by \$27.72. Better batteries were purchased so that they could also be used for the musical. Motion to approve the additional amount was made by Joe Streibel and seconded by Angela Zambito – all approved.
- Pasta dinner committee is requesting a check for \$137 (payable to IHS Softball) to purchase unused items from the IHS Softball team for the upcoming pasta dinner. Motion to issue the check as requested was made by Angela Zambito and seconded by Joel Valenti – all approved.
- Band Uniforms – should we increase the amount each year that we contribute to the fund? Uniforms should last 10-12 and maybe more. We have had the current uniforms for 8 years. There is no separate account for the uniform funds. The last time the school board paid part of the cost. Suggested setting aside \$2000 per year to pay half of the cost. The remainder would be paid through Marching Band fundraising. Full cost would be around \$35,000 with the membership numbers we have now, not including raincoats. Should we put the money in a savings account? Put this on the agenda for next meeting so it would be in place for the beginning of the year.
- Need a nominating committee chairperson soon. Please consider if you would like to stay on in your current position.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Friday, November 17th – Fruit Sale Ends

Friday, December 1st – Vocal performance for Ohio Contractors at Embassy Suites – 12:00 noon

Sunday, December 3rd – Vocal performance at Holiday Fest – 1:45 PM

Monday, December 4th – Vocal performance for Kiwanis at Civic Center – 6:30 PM

Wednesday, December 6th – Vocal performance for Holiday Inn at Holiday Inn – 11:30 AM

Thursday, December 14th – Holiday Concert – IHS Auditorium - 7 PM

Saturday, January 20th – Solo and Ensemble Adjudication at Padua High School

**Music Booster Meeting Schedule
2017-2018 School Year**

Date	Time	Location
December 6 th	7:30 PM	IHS Media Center
January 10 th	7:30 PM	IHS Media Center
February 14 th	7:30 PM	IHS Media Center
March 14 th	7:30 PM	IHS Media Center
April 11 th	7:30 PM	IHS Media Center
May 2 nd	7:30 PM	IHS Media Center

Motion to adjourn was made by Janis Kundmueller and seconded by Sally Valenti. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM.