

May 2, 2006 Music Boosters Meeting

Music Boosters President Maureen Kroeger called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. All members of the Board were in attendance, except Susan Peterson. One parent, Evelyn Agresti was also in attendance.

Minutes from the Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> meeting were read, and approved.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Anita Murphy gave the treasurer's report. Our major fundraiser, the Ice Cream Social that was held in March, raised \$3,707.00. Total income for the last 3 months was \$5,125.98. Total expenses, which included equipment purchases for the Drama Department, AW Roberts, and the Music Department, were \$5,681.30. Total expenses were \$8,416.22. Music Boosters Balance as of 5/2/06 was \$16,335.46.

The report was approved.

(Insert the Treasurer's Report here)

### **President's Report**

Maureen Kroeger gave the presidents report.

#### **a. Fund requests and distribution**

- A truss (holds lighting) was purchased for the drama department for approx. \$1500.
- \$100 toward purchase of special hosiery for the musical "The Boyfriend"
- Electric piano (\$1,375) was purchased for AW Roberts
- Electric piano (\$1,375) is on order for Salt Brook
- Piano dollies will be ordered for both electric pianos
- Accompanist fees (\$400). Music Boosters paid these fees for concerts and the Roxbury Festival.

#### **b. Ice Cream Social**

- Discussion about the change of date. This year it was on a Thursday night because of testing scheduling. In the past it has been on Wednesdays and this seemed to work better for most families.
- Was well attended and seemed less chaotic than last year
- "Shhhh" signs were helpful, but we need more adult supervision in side hallways along auditorium.
- Adult volunteers were great, could use more
- Student volunteers need more adult supervision
- Roberta Denning and Anita Murphy will need to train people next year.
- Linda Dinerman did a great job with the tickets
- Anita Murphy did great job with the kitchen and ordering the ice cream.

#### **c. Market Day**

- Discussion as to whether we should continue with this fundraiser.

- It does make Music Boosters \$100-200/month.
- Lynn Boyer is the engine behind this. Will she continue?

#### **d. Scholarships**

- Music boosters will award four \$250.00 scholarships to graduating seniors. Music faculty to choose those to be awarded.

#### **Showcase Performance**

We were delighted to hear three numbers by the newest singing sensation in New Providence, **The Yachtsmen**. We predict that these 6 young men will win any race they enter! Many thanks to Anthony Albert, Tim Leonard, Sam Oswald, Peter Wilderotter, Chris Lee, and Adam Vidal.

#### **Department Head Report**

Mr. Niedziejko gave the Department head report.

- Thank you for the Ice Cream Social
- Purchase Updates
  - Implementation of Partitions at AWR
    - Mr. Rodriguez is using them daily
    - They are very functional and easy to use
  - Don Slepian Assemblies at AWR and SB were very successful with the help of Miss Starr!
- Thank you for paying for accompanists (Alex Kessler, John Clinton and Ken Hess)
- Allison Coppola, Katharine Langstaff and Anthony Alberti participated in the American Choral director's Association All Eastern Chorus held in NYC in February.
- Music Boosters Membership will appear in the MS and HS programs, working on Elementary programs.
- Mr. Hess has been published in a national publication –Music Educator's Journal with an article entitled "Teaching Vocal Canons, a dare and a Chair".
- Mrs. Seamster has been selected to conduct the Central Jersey Intermediate Region Orchestra next year
- Marching Band Uniforms Bid had been prepared and sent out
- Each school is receiving at least one instrument as a result of approved budget.
- Anthony Alberti and Adam Vidal were selected to All-State Chorus and will perform at the Stat Teachers convention next fall.
- Robb Paine was select to All-State Orchestra
- Rising Star reports will be out this week (Review of The Boyfriend)

#### **New Business**

- HS Vocal Recitals are on May 9 and 10.
- Music Boosters will provide Refreshments for sale and the SET

- Faculty Recital in Oct. 2006
- All Board Members will continue next year
- Evelyn Agresti will be Membership Clerk
- HS Music Dept will go to Disney World Spring Break '07
- Goal to increase membership to 500 for next year
  - Get announcements in all August publications
  - Increase visibility of Music Boosters

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

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