

May 1, 2007
Music Boosters Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:08 p.m. by President Susan Peterson. Those in attendance were board members: Linda Dinerman, Anita Murphy, Evelyn Agresti, Jamie Peterson and Mr. N. Others in attendance were Linda Langstaff, Marge Moir and Josette Luciano.

The minutes from the March meeting were read and approved. Anita Murphy gave the financial report. The gross from the Ice Cream Social on March 23 was \$3, 600. This was a \$500 increase from last year. Concessions for the High School Musical are done as a courtesy and after spending \$300 to feed the cast and crew pizza on the final day of the show, Music Boosters broke even. The balance is 15, 468. (See Treasurer report)

The Music Department Report was given by Mr. N. Ms. Kirkland sent a note thanking Music Boosters for paying the participation fee for the Roxbury Festival.

Mr. N reported that Salt Brook and Roberts schools held their “Music Sampling” for all third graders. Students were able to try different instruments after the music teachers assessed what Wind, String, Brass or Percussion instruments would be physically most suited for them. This is the 9th year that the schools have sponsored this event.

April 12-16 295 New Providence High School students visited Disney World and performed with great aplomb and had a memorable trip.

Concert Season is upon us!

May 4 “In the Mood” Dinner Dance
May 8 and 9 Middle School and High School Vocal Recitals
 Elementary Vocal Concerts
 High School Concerts
 Elementary Band/Strings Concerts
 Middle School Concerts
 High School Concerts
 Graduation/Promotion

Four \$250 Awards will be given at the end of the season from Music Boosters.

The Marching Band donated their old uniforms to a school in New Orleans.

Mr. N. Thanks the Board for the past 4 years that he has been the Music Department Head. Mr. Hess has applied for the position for next year.

Scheduling for next year is dependent on holiday and state testing. This will be done at the end of May. We will talk with Mr. Hess about what night to have Music Boosters Meeting next year.

Old Business

New Philharmonic of New Jersey completed their final assembly on 4/16 at the elementary Schools.

Spring Recital Planning: Music Boosters will take care of Food preparation. Students participating in recital will be recruited to bring baked goods. We will supply bottled water, coffee and punch. Susan P. is making backdrop of fabric for the recital.

Board Members will be working set up and bake sale the following nights:

Tuesday: Marge Moir, Susan Peterson, Josette Luciano, Evelyn Agresti, Linda Dinerman.

Wednesday: Linda Langstaff, Anita Murphy, Susan Peterson, Jamie Peterson, Marge Moir (part) and Evelyn Agresti (part)

Market Day

Linda Dinerman will be taking this over from Lynn Boyer. She would like a co-chair. Linda encouraged all the board to set the example for Music Boosters and purchase groceries from Market Day. We need to encourage more people to buy from Market Day as sales have dropped during the past 2 years. We will push for sales in June, August and September in Music Booster and PTA newsletters, emails and through personal contact. We have been using Market Day as our main fundraiser for the past 10 years. During the past year we have averaged \$200/month profit. There was discussion whether to change fundraisers---Anita suggested grocery cards. She will check into this.

Maureen Kroeger/Lynn Boyer Thank-you

Discussion as to how best to honor them. Decision made to give them gift certificate to Skin Deep Day Spa. Jamie Peterson will purchase these. They will be presented to Lynn on May 8 and to Maureen during the May 23 Vocal Concert.

Other Requests

Susan Peterson volunteered to help Mr. N with logistics of the upcoming concerts.

Mr. N requested four microphone stands and clips for \$144.41. Approved by board.

Scores for Middle School and Concert Band and Orchestra for competition for \$107.00
Approved by board.

New Business

Schedule of meeting for next year? We will see what the new department head, Mr. Hess suggests.

Officers and volunteers for next year. Anita wants an assistant treasurer as '07-'08 will be her last year. We need to actively recruit someone.

Membership Renewal Planning

How to increase? Perhaps have member levels (bronze, silver and gold)

Put current membership inserts in all concert programs for spring concerts.

Susan Peterson will make form. Linda Dinerman will copy and cut.

Number of programs: 300/elementary school, 300/Middle School, 450/High School

Research into branding: car magnets, key chains, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jamie Baer Peterson, Music Boosters Secretary