

IHS Music Boosters Meeting

12/1/2010

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Attendees: Marcia Abbadini, Cathy & Don Krolikowski, Anna Sarley, Julie Scotton, Teri Kula, Eileen MacDowell, Mary Dolansky, Elizabeth Jaszczak, Maureen Mroczynski, Matt Schatt, Jim Halamek, Nancy Flynn, Glenn & Margaret Bierman

Meeting called to order at 6:40. The agenda was distributed & is posted on website.

Meeting minutes were emailed to attendees and hard copies available.

Elizabeth motioned to approve; Anna seconded; All approved. Anna asked that thanks to Cathy for detailed recording efforts be added to these minutes.

Treasurer's Report (Kathy) – No report distributed since Kathy was unable to attend.

Correspondence (Marcia) – None

Directors Report

Band

- Marching band uniforms – currently at \$22,000 and with another \$8000, there will be enough to order jackets. With the fundraisers underway, this should be achieved this school year.
- Fruit sale & Butter Braid orders – Pick up 12/9 2:30-6:30
 - Reminder to be very diligent this year when we pick up fruit. Some parents and students took whatever they “thought” they needed which left us with a lot of last minute arranging. Please make sure that an officer checks you off if you are coming to pick up fruit and Butter Braid.
 - Need a couple parents to help at pick up.
 - Plan to have everything sorted by student for pick up.
- Holiday concert 12/12 at 2pm – approx. 1 hour
 - Bakery from 9th & 10th grade students
 - Attire listed on website
 - FYI – a table with levy information will be set up at all school holiday events in effort to get information to people before the February vote (absentee ballots in January).
- Upcoming events:
 - OMEA is Saturday 2/19 at TRI-C WEST (not North Ridgeville)
 - Music Dept will cover accompanist fee
 - Cost is \$15 for solo; \$19 for ensemble – Dept will cover solos and try to cover ensembles. Every student will be performing.
- March 16 – MANDATORY Disney meeting. One parent AND student must attend and there will be a sign in sheet.
 - Medical forms and room signups will begin in January
 - It was confirmed that we are in the Monday night Spectra magic parade as requested.

- On 10/16, the spreadsheet with student fundraising totals was sent to New Horizons but it didn't get credited before the last payment. As of now, we are current and posted.
- CVC Honors Band – We've been nominated to host April 26.
 - This is quite an honor and we should plan to do things well. Last year was not a great set up for the visiting students.
 - 17 schools participating and will have people arriving by 9am and leaving by 9pm that day.
 - The band will be conducted by Mr. Galen Karriker, Assistant Director of Bands at the University of Akron. An avid percussionist, Mr. Karriker is in demand as a clinician and guest conductor.
 - Matt requested that we provide dinner for ~100 students. Doesn't have to be fancy or expensive. For lunch all students will either pay for a cafeteria lunch or bring their own lunch.
- Request that Kathy prepare letter to donors for uniforms acknowledging donations for tax purposes.

VOCAL (Emailed from Meghan)

- Caroling at Holiday Fest this Sunday. Students have been divided into small groups to sing in half hour sessions. I have provided them with caroling books filled with Christmas favorites (Joy to the World, Jingle Bells, Deck the Hall, etc) and they should wear jeans and Christmas colors. This is from 1pm to 3pm.
- Other holiday performances are as follows (and uniforms worn for all of these):
 - Fri. Dec. 10th Ohio Contractors Association Christmas party- during the school day
 - Sun. Dec. 12th Band and Vocal Concert IHS Auditorium- report time 1:30pm
 - Mon. Dec. 13th Kiwanis Christmas party Civic Center- report time 6:00pm
 - Tue. Dec. 14th Holiday Inn employee Christmas party- during the school day
- Lake Erie Monsters fundraiser update: I am meeting with Jeff (my rep.) at the Q on Friday to finalize everything. Tickets will go on sale before break (most likely next week). We have to purchase 200 tickets for \$12 each. We are selling them for \$20 each (they are \$20 seats). \$8 profit from each ticket. Vocal members who are singing the national anthem will be able to purchase their ticket for \$12. All Vocal members have been asked to sing the national anthem, just like last year. The game is Jan. 22nd at 7:30 and students singing will ride the bus to and from the game. Jeff needs to know how many tickets we want students to try to sell... thoughts? He wants to reserve a certain number of tickets so it will be like our own little Independence section at the game that night! This has been advertised in the spotlight (thank you Mary!) and we'll post flyers around the school, put it on the announcements, and perhaps on the cable channel?
 - We had quite a bit of discussion at the meeting on how to handle tickets to be purchased. Several people expressed concern about requiring students

to sell \$20 tickets. Especially right after the holidays. Feeling is that the same people are going to end up spending money on another fundraiser. There was a suggestion to obtain the city bus and target students to buy the tickets. Marcia will follow up with Meghan.

- Thank you again, everyone, for all of your help with the musical and coming out to see it and support the kids!!!
- Music Dept. tees and hoodies are for sale right now! Orders are due Dec. 15th. John Kominko designed them, they look really cool!

Way & Means (Julie) –

- Julie thanked everyone who helped with basketball concessions. She is working with Kathy on figuring out profits.
 - Most of the food has been sold off to other concession stands or to be used at Holiday Fest.
 - We all thanked Julie for her tremendous effort at managing the concessions. She and her helpers shopped every week and Julie worked every Sunday at the Fieldhouse. An incredible effort!
- Reminder to all present to keep looking for business type donations for Wing Night at Harry's Steakhouse 4/16 from 7-10pm.
- Looking for prizes like TV, I-Pad,... to package with orthodontic service as major raffle to start as soon as possible and winner to be announced at Wing Night. Suggestion to try HHGregg – they donated something or sold product at cost for After Prom raffle one year.
 - Do not have written confirmation from Dr. White yet.
- Anna & Julie handled concessions for musical – numbers aren't final but approx. \$300.
- Nancy Flynn offered to coordinate Holiday Fest. Mary needs 2 parents & 2 kids to fill out volunteers.

Membership update (Terri)

- At 61 members total
- Report on flowers from musical – we sold what was purchased but actually lost \$9 since 6 bouquets were used to give directors & Harlans. Worked out well and saved the kids from dealing with collecting and worrying about it.

Volunteers (Mary) –

- Need a couple parents to help with Fruit/Butter Braid pick up 12/9.(2:30-6:30)
- Holiday concert - start recruiting volunteers this week.
 - Elizabeth will arrive early to start setting up coffee & refreshments. Need a couple vocal only parents to leave near the end of band to start unwrapping bakery. Start making coffee just before the concert.
- Holiday Fest this Sunday – couple more people needed.
- Spaghetti dinner volunteers will be called after the holidays.

OLD BUSINESS

Mavis Winkle/Trancemitter

- Only received \$90 for the Friday night fundraiser. Mary Jo offered to do this monthly but several people thought this may be too much. Especially with such low proceeds on the last event.

Acme Receipts

- Already have \$600 towards the \$1500 minimum!
- Dates for receipts: September 25 to February 19.
- Seeing a lot more response at Civic Center and Field House so it was worth it to leave those boxes out.

NEW BUSINESS

- Spaghetti dinner – (Jaszczaks)
 - Date is set for Fri 2/11 but have not received building permit officially yet
 - Being a Friday - Will need helpers to shop since Jaszczak's cannot spend 2 vacation days to cover the event.
 - Consider ordering some food through school? Judy gets her orders delivered on Friday. Concern is we may not have final count by the time she will need to place her order.
 - Elizabeth may need help with freezer and refrigerator space – they may try to make meatballs ahead and freeze. Dolansky & Krolikowski both can help here.
 - Use the school Sams & Restaurant Depot cards for tax exempt.
 - Margaret Bierman has a good list for volunteers from last year and will send that to Mary.
 - Judy and some of her staff will manage times to be able to help that night even though it's a regular work day.
 - Matt offered that the last lunch is over at 1 and he can request study halls be moved so the cafeteria can be set up. He offered students during 9th period too. Make sure we get him details ahead to work from.
 - Plan to use the library side and main front doors to enter like last year.
 - Consider making cookies ahead to ease kitchen work that night.
- Marcia proposed that we try to form an affiliation with the Independence Arts Council. Looking for input & suggestions. Perhaps they would support our activities and fundraisers.
 - Margaret is on the board and noted this is not a very active group. She would be more than happy to contact board members with this idea.
 - Perhaps we should extend some type of discount for members attending our events (like the musical).

- Marcia wanted to extend a message on behalf of levy committee. The strategy for next vote is to have more of a presence at school events and really encourage people to attend meetings to understand implications of another failure. The numbers indicate that parents did not fully support the levy.
 - If parents don't attend upcoming meetings at schools, they will be visited by a levy committee member. (IHS meeting 12/16 7pm).
- Marcia also reported on the Monday "Listening session" for superintendent search. There were ~ 5 residents, 3 board members and 2 reporters and Mr. Howard in attendance. Job posting was through the state and closed yesterday. As of Monday, they had 25 applicants. Top 15 will be presented to board in January.
Announcement planned for 2/1.

Motion to adjourn – Nancy; second by Mary
Next meeting 1/12 at 6:30 pm