

Music Boosters  
October 17, 2006  
Meeting Notes 7 PM – 8:30 PM

Attended by: Kim Brienzi, Ken Goold, Mark Borden, June Santini, Pat O'Kelly, Milt Mashner, Lisa Fisher, Dave Fisher, Lisa Moosbrugger, Milt Mashner, Anne Gravenstede (Chris Carosa sent his regrets that he is unable to attend due to Cub Scout commitments)

**Corrections form Previous Meetings**

- Add to the September minutes: At the May meeting Music Boosters were in support of the Music Co-op provided a volunteer could be procured.
- The In-House Solo Fest costs about \$800 but not at a loss to us as NYSSMA covers the remaining costs.
- Both requests from the September meeting were approved. They were for the MS dolly and MS piano bench.

**Treasurer's Report**

Savings \$9,439.54

Checking \$5,265.06 (\$3200 is owed to the Manor Band Camp staff.)

A participant in the Manor Summer band Camp still owes \$50. The treasurer is requested to pay Kim and Ken as above.

**QED Update**

The DIU process is beginning. The superintendent's Conference Day will be used for much of the writing. June Santini will be on the music DIU and is training Thursday night. Much of the work will begin at 9:30 am on November 10th. The operational plan should be more streamlined than previous years. We will be looking at what is working well and what is not. Community members will be very helpful with their outside insight.

June shared that the requests from last year should have been in the priorities rather than the parking lot. Perhaps then, they could have been covered. Mark is optimistic about results for this year.

**Music Co-Op**

No report was shared this evening as Wally and Nancy were not here. No problems have been noted. Milt had a problem with a lost check at Manor. This was an uncomfortable situation but worked out in the end.

**Poinsettia Sale**

The procedures have completely changed with the Poinsettia order. The new company has changed things including requesting a credit application and tax number. The new procedure requires all orders by November 1<sup>st</sup> rather than a final count on the Monday after Thanksgiving. After much discussion, Hines Horticulture was somewhat responsive. They will offer us the "house prices" at \$4.30 for a 6 inch and a 10" at

\$15.09. They will offer all three colors with a minimum order of a thousand. We need to get them our estimated numbers now and they will wait for our final number later.

It is easier to stay with Hines this year. Since it has been difficult this year and the company may not be reliable we will pursue other avenues for next year. Chase and Palomacki's are a possibility. We will offer the 6-inch baskets at \$9. We will not offer the 10-inch baskets this year.

#### Advertising:

- June will approach Honeoye Fall's Marketplace and the Big M to see if they will put flyers in grocery bags November 17, 18, and 19<sup>th</sup>
- Kim will get the pink paper for flyers. We will not put an ad in the Sentinel as it has paid off in the past
- A flyer will be created and sent home in the November newsletter to advertise. **The flyer will be sent to Dan McCarthy tomorrow and he will forward it on to each school's newsletter**
- **Dan will put a building use form in to request the MS cafeteria for December 1<sup>st</sup> from 3 – 7 pm and Saturday 9 am – 2 pm**

Sylvane Treible will be asked to collect the orders again. This past year all but 10 plants from forgotten orders will be donated to Pinehurst immediately Saturday. June will hold on to 10 in case someone wants to pick up on Monday. Ken and Mark will find volunteers in each school for sales. Lima will not be used as a selling point again this year.

#### Spaghetti Dinner

There was some confusion about the music group. Last year he thought he was hired for 1 hour. If we want him for two hours it will probably be twice as much. Will Andy do it this year? The hired group should be from 7-9 pm.

Leftover unopened foods will be donated to the local food cupboard. June will have more information next month.

#### Requests

- The piano dolly request from last meeting has been put on hold. There is a need for 4 rather than just the 1. The dolly for these pianos will be \$205 each. The Music Boosters approves of this purchase.
- The bench approved last month is ordered and on its way.
- Andy Vetter has a request for the Clarinet Choir. The request is for \$88.11 for an e flat clarinet mouthpiece, reeds, and ligatures so students can share the one instrument they have. This is approved.
- June shared that a sixth grader marching in the recent parade was unable to play due to the size of the tuba. Can music boosters look into providing sousaphones for those marchers? Brian should give the boosters specific information.
- Mark is requesting two carts for storage for back stage in the wings at the high

school auditorium. It would hold music stands neatly when not in use and taking up much less space. The cost is \$255 a piece for 2 carts. The chosen carts are made by Wenger. This is approved.

### **Thank You**

Stephanie Fisher sent a thank you for her scholarship. She is attending Baldwin Wallace for a music career. She is happy there.

### **Grants**

- There is an “Arts in Education” grant available. The application deadline is October 26. It is a matching funds program. No one at the meeting had anything in mind. Dan will be consulted to see if he has ideas.
- The Mockingbird Foundation is offering grants for music education for children up to age 18. No particular projects come to mind that meet the focus areas of the grant. We will keep this in mind for future ideas that arise.

### **Strings**

The strings program consideration is still alive. The music department, through the QED process, will look to provide specific information this year in the Operational Plan as to costs, equipment etc. that might be needed to make such a program a reality. We will keep this on the agenda until next time.

### **Web-page update**

There is a link on the HF-L website to Music Boosters. It has not been updated in two years. We need to create a page relating to the music boosters. This will be on the next agenda. Allison uploads the Music Booster minutes to this site.

### **Volunteers**

We need to look at ways to solicit additional volunteers especially for a liaison. This will be put on a department meeting. Best results have been seen when music teachers approach a specific parent and extend a personal invitation.

### **Open Forum**

- There is still a stack of stickers that say HF-L Loves Music. Barb Altonberg has them. They can be sold. Mark Borden will hold onto them.
- Old music stands could be decorated or repainted and sold as a fundraiser. Kim will talk to Dan McCarthy about the protocol.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 15, 2006**  
7 PM HS Chorus Room