

BOPO MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 17, 2013

Submitted by Joan Drushel, Recording Secretary

Attendance: Joan Drushel, Kirsten Radivoyevitch, Dan Heim, Lucene Wisniewski, Florence Demilia, Claudia Harrington, Ditte Wolin, Amy Cassady, Pam Bertaud, Estee Gulden, Elizabeth van den Bogert, Hope Wright, Brett Baker

August minutes: Send to Ditte to post online

Fundraising (Estee Gulden)

Bulb sale: To extend to 9-25 for symphony members to have more time to sell

Mixed bags and citrus

9-27 to 11-5

Kim Conklin and Kirstin Radivoyevitch to speak to kids

Kim at HHS and Symphonic Winds and Kirsten at Jazz

Weekend dates for citrus 10-6, 10-19, 10-20 with adults going with groups of kids

Same prices as last year for citrus

Looking at other venues for sales (parent teacher conference)

Malley's candy on line 10-25 to 12-15

10,000 Villages/Liquid Planet 11-20

Rummage Sale (Ditte Wolin)

Did well (>2000)

Kids got credit for working and they worked really hard

Tri-M did bake sale and made \$106 (enough for yearly charter)

Church venue worked well

Tour (Kirsten Radivoyevitch)

Reserved tickets to concert and hotel rooms

Bus and insurance: Jane Simeri said it is ok and do not need to use tour company

Will lower costs

Still \$350 official cost

Left over funds to go to chaperone fund

Also planned to lower cost by \$50 per person this year

Let people know about discount in early December

All fundraisers except Malley's done

Kids who don't go on tour: their discount goes back to BOPO

Jane Simeri to go on tour: district to pay

Larry Smith to go under director status: overage from kids to pay for directors

Budget (Elizabeth van den Bogert)

Income

Rummage sale

Raffle: \$259 1st game

Marching Band fees: 90 something kids with \$13 bond fees with parts and accessories

Expenses

Pillows/bags

Marching Band hospitality from first game

Discretionary fund for raffle sign: \$90

Uniform cleaning

Julie Holt sent uniforms to clean at end of last school year

20 rain coats cleaned from damage due to water leak above uniform room

To return pair of "women's formal shoes": decided to keep (5 1/2 Dinkles)

Raffle

No winner from last week's raffle

Will keep and carry over to this week

Security would not let people selling raffle tickets go to stands

People with winning ticket probably not able to get to press box and they did not call another number

Need to write to BOE, Kirsten Hughes, and security (Brian Lorentz) because potentially lost a lot of money (Estee Gulden to do)

Potential ticket buyers distracted by booth opposite BOPO table with guy yelling about taxes

Need updated IMD badges: Brett asked for 8-10, will increase to 15

First week went well

Have new sign

Need good sales people in stands (Margaret Hull, George Perlic)

Call time 5:30 for games

CD's

One matures October 5 (464)

Need board vote to renew

Mature in 3 month intervals, so need one to mature in March 2014

Will eventually change 2235 to mature in October

Vote: moved, seconded, passed

Patron donations (Pam Bertaud)

4 checks for \$550

Newsletter (Ditte Wolin)

Flo D'Emilia and Cynthia Larsen to do

To convert to on-line newsletter

Not able to do yet with November newsletter

Using Mail chimp

Not able to get everyone's email

If people with email opt out of paper newsletter, will need 2 different newsletters

Some people not able to access on-line or will not bother to look it up

Some people will not read it unless they are sent a physical print copy

Do regular 4 newsletters in print and do updates on-line

Need user friendly website

Symphony Tuxedos (Claudia Harrington)

Need to fit 2 kids for tuxes

David Pecoraro needs black uniform because has white drum major uniform

Can use either band uniform or tux

Amy Cassady to fit him and talk with Claudia

Need to give out bond form ahead of time

To not worry about tuxes/symphony dresses for curriculum night performance and distribute later

Marching Band Uniforms (Amy Cassady)

Distribution went well and everyone now fitted

Grateful for people who helped

Raincoats

- Leak in uniform room ceiling from air conditioning
- 20 raincoats wet and mildewed
- Fairmount Cleaners cleaned them
- If problem is due to building issues, who pays for uniform damage?
 - To talk to Jane Simeri about reimbursement
- Need to eventually clean all 100 raincoats
 - To send out about 25 per year until all are cleaned
- Returning raincoats to uniform room on Monday
 - If need to use for game, how to get them hung up again on Monday morning
 - Amy needs to get to work Monday and students not allowed in building before 8am
 - to help put them away
 - To talk with Jane Simeri
 - Not regular event: depends on weather during football season
 - Only need to do a few times a year
 - See if can find another way to store on Monday AM until Amy can deal with them
 - Jane said, "Try to get other teachers to help" but they are busy with their own stuff
 - Dan Heim to talk with Jane

Program Book (Ditte Wolin)

- Cleveland Violin already sent in ad and money
- 4 other ads committed

Marching Band Hospitality (Hope Wright)

- Going well
- Want another cart to haul out water buffalos
- Distributed about 150 snacks a game
- Away team band
 - No band first game
 - Only drum line second game
 - This week: Bedford has big band and we have the middle school kids

Band Director Report (Brett Baker)

- October 2 Marching Band practice changed to October 1
- Hopefully finish Symphonic Winds auditions tomorrow

Orchestra Director Report (Dan Heim)

- Good curriculum night
 - Good to be in carpeted area where more visible
 - Kids did good job with 8 rehearsals
 - Electric quintet
 - Mix of styles, mix of acoustic and electric
 - Some kids want to continue electric ensemble for chamber group

TAP committee in Mosaic

- Dan is a representative
- Advocate for the arts in the arts school

Senior solo auditions October 8

- Raise awareness
- Seniors auditioning need to be prepared
- Heights Observer wants information for November issue on October 16
 - If a soloist is slated for November concert, need to make sure get info to them

Will have decision within 24 hours
Dan and Brett volunteered for scheduling committee

Scheduling Issues (Dan Heim)

Need continuing focus on scheduling issues
Fundamental conflicts which did not happen in the past
Upper level music and AP singleton classes at same time
Need input from teachers and counselors: neither had any input on schedule
Timetable
Why wait so late for master schedule and students' individual schedules to be set?
Schedule needs to be set at CHHS not BOE
BOE involvement started with Jeff Talbot
A lot of micromanagement from administrators
Talk about bringing in schedule "jury" to let staff have input to review master schedule
Need someone who knows district
Small school administrators encouraged to add extra small school specific classes

New Business (Ditte Wolin)

Senior messages not out yet: Cynthia Watson to do
Marching Band parties after home games
Received suggestion to form a committee for parties to get food money from kids and find families willing to sponsor parties
Email went out asking for volunteers to sponsor parties
Kids coming to parties should donate money then
Put out idea that sponsoring party is a volunteer activity
Not possible or appropriate for BOPO to take responsibility as official activity
Wakeup breakfast
Parents make breakfast, but student officers do planning
Need to make sure follow district guidelines and do nothing construed as hazing
PE credit
Need 2 years Marching Band for 1 PE waiver
Need to fill out application and send to athletic office
Not retroactive and cannot be used by seniors

Next Meeting: October 15