

BOPO MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 7, 2013
Submitted by Joan Drushel, Recording Secretary

Attendance: Estee Gulden, Hope Wright, Julia Pecoraro, Joan Drushel, Ditte Wolin, Dan Heim, Amy Cassidy, Kirsten Radivoyevitch, Brett Baker, Cynthia Larsen, Florence D"Emilia

May minutes approved (Joan Drushel)

Budget (Hope Wright for Elizabeth Van Den Bogert)

Smaller fundraising needs this year with shorter tour

Lot of unknowns with budget needs since not know how many seniors and senior soloists

Less budgeted for postage

Kept same amount for Marching Band snacks (\$500) just in case

Tour

Based on 80 students at \$350 each

Need to submit costs needed for tour to Jane Simeri ASAP (U-Haul, etc.)

Back-up of \$1000 for needy students

Uniforms

Uniforms are all cleaned

Parts and accessories: why was cost increased from \$300 to \$1655 last year?

If we do not use all of the parts/accessory money, can we add it to scholarships?

Decided to more \$300 to scholarships now

Do we have uniforms to fit 2 new drum majors?

3 CD's at bank

Alison was supposed to add 4th

Need to talk to Elizabeth about what she discussed with Alison

Vote to accept budget: moved, seconded, passed

Fundraising (Estee Gulden)

Have fliers for bulb sale, to distribute during Marching Band camp

10,000 Villages/Liquid Planet on November 22

Tour individual sales: bulbs, citrus, mixed bags, Malley's, pit tickets

Why expenses recorded for Malley's as on-line as on-line and no cost to BOPO?

Try for nights at Dewey's Pizza and Menchie's

Not selected for Whole Foods grill

Bottlehouse (Kirsten Radivoyevitch)

No cost to use space

Not have to pay for food

Can charge what we want for beverage tickets

Have stage

Can pay for house band or bring own band

School jazz bands and ensembles won't have enough repertoire yet

See if Eric Richmond or other local musicians with Heights ties can play

Rummage Sale (Ditte Wolin)

Grace Lutheran Church August 24 9AM-4PM

Post for volunteers

Kids who work or perform at it to get tour credit

Collect sale items on August 22-23

Need volunteers to run bake sale
Bicycles big ticket items last year
Church asks for \$50-\$200 donation to use space
Will have signs along street to advertise

Tour (Kirsten Radivoyevitch)

February 27-March 1

Prospective schedule

Leave at 7:30 AM

Ohio State 10 PM Jazz clinics

Cincinnati 4PM prepare for dinner cruise

Friday: University of Cincinnati Conservatory of Music Symphony and Symphonic Winds clinics

Contacted schools about times

Can't book rooms, but confirmed ok

University of Cincinnati: marching band through athletic department

Friday afternoon: performance at School of Performing Arts high school

Perhaps exchange performance

Friday evening: concert at Cincinnati Symphony

Saturday AM: Jazz at Union Terminal

Saturday: Visit nursing homes on way home

Back at Heights at 10PM

Tour Company (Nowak)

Gave too high a quote (\$369/student, \$300 adult)

Told them budget of \$300

Does not include lunches

Not given breakdown

Not given bus and room costs

Do not have 2nd quote yet

Brett Baker Suggestions

Call bus companies and hotels for costs on own and ask Nowak why cost so much

Need to go with company for liability issues

Talk with another tour company to compare

Use information ascertained on own about costs to try to bring down the tour company's costs

Dan Heim Suggestions

Multiple concerts on way home

Considerable time needed for set-up and tear-down (about an hour) for each concert

Maybe only do one nursing home on the way down

Concern with dinner/dance the 1st night

Usually culmination of tour

Consider having it Saturday night and return Sunday morning

See if can have dinner/dance/skits at hotel instead of boat

Limit of 3 days off from school

Good to have weekend time off before school on Monday

Still ok if home Sunday about noon

Patron Donations (Ditte Wolin)

Need to talk with Pam Bertaud

First day of school: students will address envelopes to send home schedule, BOPO letter

BOPO Raffle at Football Games (Hope Wright)

Hope has tickets

Communications (Hope Wright)

Gave information to Flo D'Emilia and Cynthia Larsen

Need to get information to Sun Press

Interviews and photos with senior soloists

New person at Sun Press more difficult to work with than Ed Wittenberg

Tried to streamline communication through district communications office

Joy Henderson and Angee Shaker

Information sent through them not seemed to go anywhere

Flo to try to meet with person at Sun Press

Need contact information for Sun Press (deadline 2 weeks), Heights Observer (deadline 16th of each month)

Senior soloists, concerts

Formulate task of getting story out

Tri-M volunteer duty

Distribute flyers to libraries, stores, etc.

Program Book (Ditte Wolin)

To meet with Stew Pharis this week

Marching Band Uniform (Amy Cassady)

To send emails for people to help with fittings

Change in fitting times

Ordering information

Northwestern Band

If call for supplies, call company and billed to BOPO

Need to have money in envelope marked for uniforms

Kim Conklin to do symphony dresses

Claudia Herrington to do tuxedos

Strings to play at Curriculum night: do not need uniforms

Marching Band Hospitality (Julie Pecoraro)

Need to hand out ice pops at band camp

Make sure water available at band camp

Call athletic/music of visiting schools to see if bands will come

Band Director's Report (Brett Baker)

Getting ready for Marching Band camp

Trying to get PE waiver for Marching Band participation

Waiver for Marching Band, varsity sport, ROTC

May be required to go to all away games

First away game changed from Friday to Thursday night in Toledo (school night)

Last away game at Shaw in evening on same evening as musical

Need to speak to Jane Simeri about how many hours are needed

Can do 2-4 events beyond home games

To try for 2 away games this year

Try to push not to go to Toledo or Shaw games

Jane to have work session tonight

Cleveland Heights requires swimming as part of PE

Parent of a VMD student wants student to be in Marching Band but not IMD otherwise
Need to have musical qualifications for someone not in IMD to be in Marching Band
Need to make sure someone is not trying to be in Marching Band to avoid PE
Need to be taking music lessons, be in some musical ensemble, perform at a certain level,
and pass audition
Parent should volunteer to do something with BOPO

Orchestra Director's Report (Dan Heim)

Curriculum Night with Symphony strings

Smaller groups rotate and do small sets of tunes in hallway and carpeted area

Help with PR for IMD

When in auditorium, only IMD parents go to it

Musical: Hello Dolly

Wednesday, October 30 and Friday-Sunday, November 1-3

Will ask for volunteers for Pit Orchestra because of instrumentation

Woodwinds with multiple parts needing to play 2 or more instruments such as piccolo, flute, and clarinet or clarinet, oboe, and alto saxophone

Need to have some professionals for woodwinds so don't have too many people just sitting there

Brass parts more traditional

Hiring musicians come from Craig McGaughey's budget

To make decision first few weeks of school

Tour Letter (Kirsten Radiovovitch)

Do we put tour cost amount in tour letter to kids and parents?

Yes: Hope to have total estimate by first day of school

50% subsidy per student

Will give in December

If already paid off, reimburse

New Business (Hope Wright)

BOPO waterproof sign for \$95

Generic sign with velcro to add information for specific events

Motion to do it, seconded, passed

Brett offered money from director's discretionary fund

