

BOPO MEETING MINUTES

MAY 21, 2013

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Attendance: Joan Drushel, Estee Gulden, Hope Wright, Ditte Wolin, Brett Baker, Kirsten Radivoyevitch, Dan Heim

FOMM (Friends of Monticello Music) (Ditte Wolin)

Finally got \$500 from bank account and will give to BOPO

Elementary instrumental programs feeding into Monticello with largest elementary classes, but Monticello least amount of IMD students to high school

Kiddie Konzerts (Dan Heim)

First day (today) successful

Transportation problems

Too few bus drivers with drivers on sick leave

Problems with needing bus at normal bus transit times

Short day today, so ok

Tomorrow need to wait at Boulevard for extra half hour and get back to high school at 4PM

But can provide transportation to sports

Same issue with Tri-C Jazz Fest

Brett had no control when Jazz Ensembles played at Tri-C

We were assigned times

Had to call Jane Simeri to resolve issue and get bus to pick up Jazz Ensembles

District Arts Coordinator (Dan Heim)

Need to send letters to school board as arts coordinator not assigned yet by administration

Jane Simeri was doing arts and gifted

Now new person for gifted and no one for arts

Able to get gifted coordinator as can use county money for gifted, but not for arts

School board open to this now

School board members do not know about various issues affecting the arts programs, so cannot act on them

Marching Band (Brett Baker)

Marching Band rehearsal and officer try-outs this evening

Second practice and officer try-outs on Thursday

Memorial Day ceremony at Cleveland Heights at 10:30AM

Will report to recreation center by 9:45 and march to ceremony

Wear Dinkles, black socks, Marching Band t-shirt and pants

Will play *National Anthem*, *America the Beautiful*, and Marching Band stuff

Hope to pick up banner

School Board Meeting (Dan Heim)

Chamber Ensembles playing before board meetings

Heights Piano Trio played in May

Baker's Dozen will play in June

Arts Pathway Showcase (Brett Baker)

Last Thursday at Wiley

Brett out of town and Dan and Paul Hungerford had prior commitments

Event did not go well

Asked for money to see music, but not for art
No organization
Kim Conklin there and talked to Jane Simeri about not appropriate to send kids to random stuff without preparation
Another example of no arts person in charge
Need action plan
Brett and Dan had previous meeting with administration when Jane Simeri replaced Joe Nohra as Mosaic principal
Need Arts Director for entire district
Need to have authority with all schools in district
Eliminate conflict of interest with Jane doing both gifted and arts
Teachers have had meetings with different parents representing different areas which need to be addressed and make a statement to the school board
Enrollment in Mosaic
Still have kids in music in 8th grade who requested Mosaic but still wait-listed
Need to get more parents involved at June 4 board meeting to address issues
If true arts pathway, all arts/music students should get first choice for Mosaic
Mosaic tends to be default school if kids do not want to do in other small schools
Joan Drushel can speak about arts administrator
Kirsten Radivoyevitch and Pam Bertrand can speak about 8th grade and small school enrollment
Try to get VMD parent representative
Try to get pre-board meeting meeting at school to plan

Budget (Ditte Wolin)

Alison Hall fixed totals and separated out stuff
\$4000 carry over
Used to be called "uniform future purchase savings" for future big expense
Only legal way to save profit
\$100 made from Dewey's
Patty Urbas submitted bill for taxi for Passover from tour
Tour snacks and U-Haul: \$0 because not originally separately allocated
Now separate to keep accounts more accurate

Pillows (Ditte Wolin)

Try to sell at Alumni Hall of Fame ceremony and pancake breakfast
Eric Silverman sold a few at alumni website

Farinacci Award

Will run out of money for it in 4 years
Problem with funding it through alumni organization as already have alumni award
To try to get write up about Brittany Rabb and what she did with it this year
\$1200 in account now
Used \$500 this year for lessons
Need to find way to get more money
Alumni from that era are elderly and will not be able to fund it much longer
Possibly try to work with Reaching Heights
Farinacci and Bane awards only awards with money
Bane award: alumni association finds a donor for it every year
Eric Silverman cannot recruit for it but a person on his/her own can send money to donate specifically for a scholarship
Ditte to send letter to IMD alumni once a year and have specific categories to donate to Bane award, Farinacci award, and individual student for tour

Fundraising (Estee Gulden)

\$100 from Dewey's fundraiser

Trying to get day at Whole Foods

Trying to get people to take care of individual fundraisers

Rummage Sale (Ditte Wolin)

Grace Lutheran Church on August 24 from 9AM to 5PM

Trying to find out if can get into church on Friday to get set up

Also have bake sale

Need to schedule adult and student volunteers

If kids work, they should get money for tour

Need to give donation for use of space

Award Night (Ditte Wolin)

Lots of responses from volunteers for award night and Kiddie Konzerts: not just "usual suspects"

Gretchen Drushel to make slide show

Send home paper with kids about award night about food assignments, BYO silverware, etc.

Need to get award for everyone who went to symphony competition in Bowling Green

2013-2014 BOPO Board (Ditte Wolin)

Executive Board

Presidents: Hope Wright and Estee Gulden

Secretary: Joan Drushel

Treasurer: Elizabeth van den Bogert

Hospitality: Melissa McLelland

Newsletter: Joan Drushel to start and have others gradually take over

Stew Pharis will not do program book

Uniforms: already talked to Fairmount Cleaners about getting uniforms cleaned now

Need fund raising chair, but have people to do individual events

Estee already did legwork

Volunteer coordinator: Ditte Wolin

To start at Award Night

Will have sheet with specific jobs with dates, times, and how much time needed

Tour for Next Year

Jane Simeri said maximum of 2 days off from school

Thursday to Saturday

Or leave Wednesday after school

Would add \$25 per student to cost and allow more activity time and keep Sunday for recovery

Possible destinations: Ann Arbor/Detroit or Tour of Ohio

Multiple stops

Tour of campus during clinics

If have to pay for clinic, should not have to have tour for all kids of all campus

Maybe have specific music tour

How to get free clinic: not free now

How to make downtime productive

Need to get 2 different tour estimates

Go to Nowak and Discovery

Public performances

Will continue, but harder for short tour

Need to make sure will have audience

Exchange performances: play for other students and they play for us

Calendar

Easter and Passover end of April

End of March is end of Quarter

If go after OGT's: 1st or 2nd week of April

State will give 2 week period for school to give OGT

District usually uses 1st week so 2nd week can be make-up

Likely week of March 10th

Spring break week before spring concert

Need last week before break to get ensembles set for concerts

Possibly good for IMD: beginning of March (March 5-8)

VMD goes at end of OGT week

IMD events

Tiger Nation: January 7

OMEA Solo/Ensemble: January 18, here

Winter Concert: February 12 & 14

OMEA symphony (if go): February 21

Lakeland Jazz Fest: date TBA

Get estimates and need to call colleges about their spring breaks and auditions

See if can get preliminary district calendars for March and April

Check with Jane Simeri if can go before OGT's

Make list of options

1st week of March

February 27-March 1

February 20-22

April 3-5

April 10-12 (not good for directors)

Fall events (Dan Heim and Brett Baker)

Senior Solo auditions: October 8

Musical: Hello Dolly (Wednesday, October 30 and Friday- Sunday, November 1-3)

Final regular season football game on November 1

Need Marching Band practice on Wednesdays during musical performance and dress rehearsals

Jane Simeri said if want to consider getting PE credit, need to go to all football games

Some people, including administration in district feel primary purpose of IMD is to provide entertainment during football games

Since we manage to pull off pit orchestra for musical with help of professionals, the administration thinks there is no problem

New standards (Brett Baker)

Need to pretest all kids at beginning of year, develop individual plan, and posttest at end of year

Need to do for all subjects

Middle School issues

Very few IMD students now coming from Monticello

Roxboro now IB school, which will cut down music time

Many district kids transfer to Roxboro from other schools

Wiley is Arts pathway school, but may close with buildings recommendation

If Wiley closes, what will happen with arts programs?