## **Dunlap Music Boosters Meeting**

## Minutes for January 13, 2015

**Attendance:** Officers present included: President Sheri Byrne, Vice President Linda Smith, Secretary Dianne Gootee, and Treasurer Krista Hoerr. Directors Jen Reece and Robin Hunt were present. Others in attendance included: Lisa Lewis, Leah Crosman, Theresa Holshouser, Dianne Klumpe, Charles Webber, and Tonya Lang.

**Call to Order:** The regular monthly meeting was called to order by President Sheri Byrne at 7:06 pm in the DHS Library.

**Secretary's Report:** The meeting minutes from December were presented and Charles Webber motioned to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Krista Hoerr provided the latest financial statements:

Beginning Balance	\$ 61,461.35
Receipts	6,092.00
Expenses	( 6,290.15)
Ending Balance 1/13/15	\$ 61,263.20

Krista confirmed that the band trip travel company did receive the second deposit. The next payment is due to the company in March. We are trying to spread payments out for the students to make it easier for them to manage. Invoices were given to Jill Potts today to pass out to the students. The next payment is due January 20 and if you have not received your statement, please contact Jill. The next trip payments are due as follows:

January 20

March 2

April 3

Dianne Gootee asked about the final result of the Greenery Sale. Krista thought that we hopefully broke even as she is waiting for a check from Sandy DeSalvio's church. Profits went into students' trip accounts and chorus kids contributed to sales to help us break even. Charles Webber motioned that we approve the financial statements and the motion passed.

Committee Reports: No reports this evening.

## **Directors' Reports:**

<u>Jen Reece (Choir):</u> Sarah Crossman has been in a lift repairing stage curtains. A HUGE thank you goes out to her for all the hours she has dedicated to doing this much needed project! We need to put in a work order to replace the lights in the audience section of the auditorium.

Show choir has started rehearsing and we're off to a great start. The Show Choir lock-in will be held February 6-7. The students are doing a great job singing the National Anthem at the basketball games this year. We will be heading to All-State in a few weeks with approximately 10 students. They auditioned for this in October at IMEA. The concerts are Saturday, January 31 at 1:00 and 3:00 pm at the Peoria Civic Center.

We went to see the musical "Newsies" in Chicago on December 19. It was an incredible show! We should get back \$10-11 per person after receiving the final bill from the bus company.

Madrigals were invited to sing with Luther College on February 14 in the afternoon at First United Methodist Church. It is a big honor to be asked to perform with them!

<u>Jill Potts and Jason Shea (Band):</u> <u>Jill could not be present due to illness (Get Well Soon!)</u> and Jason is leading the pep band tonight at a basketball game.

Robin Hunt (Theatre): "South Pacific" opens one week from Friday on January 23 at 7:30 pm, Saturday, the 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm and then Sunday, the 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm also. The musical closes on January 25<sup>th</sup> and the auditions for the contest play will be held the next day on February 26<sup>th</sup>.

The contest play is called "Tracks" and the group interpret is "Matilda" based on the book by Ronald Dahl. We will be going 2 ½ hours away to Charleston, IL and with 9 plays and 9 group interprets, it may be a two day event. Robin is not sure yet. The contest play will be performed at Dunlap on March 18 and 19.

Robin offered to host the contest play in the future but has learned that the athletic director is the one responsible for extending offers. In order to host, we will need to provide a hospitality room and concession stand and it's normally held in mid-March. Charles Webber motioned that the Music Boosters support Robin in requesting that the athletic director offer the Dunlap High School facilities to host in the future. The motion passed. Robin will talk to Mr. Crider.

## Old /New Business:

Marching Band Competition: Theresa Holshouser reported that the Dunlap Marching Band Competition will be held the first Saturday of October which is the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Kaitlynn Holshouser is available to chair this event until June, so we are looking for an overall event chair, a concessions chair (along with 3-4 members on this committee) and a volunteer chair. Our first meeting will be in March but has yet to be scheduled. Please contact Jill or Kaitlynn (kholshouser@mail.bradley.edu) if interested. This event will come up quickly, so we do need to get planning underway.

<u>Jazz Band Festival:</u> This event is February 13 and 14 at Dunlap. Doug Tabor has agreed to run the hospitality room but we need a concession chair. Tonya Lang volunteered to help but was unsure of committing to be the chair.

<u>Fundraisers:</u> Lisa Lewis asked if there were any other fundraisers planned for the band trip besides the upcoming Butter Braids sale. We discussed the Bergner's Community Days Sale but it was agreed that not enough sales happen in the spring to really make this a worthwhile endeavor. Ten to twelve students sold coupon books in November which seems to be the best time to sell. Jen Reece mentioned that she sells Nestle/Beich candy bars but sales are restricted during school hours now. Robin Hunt asked the administration if the theatre students could sell at the end of the day by the auditorium but is waiting for a response. Jen said that candy bars need to be prepurchased by the students which automatically goes into the kids' accounts.

Someone can ask Jill/Jason if there are any other fundraisers planned for the band trip.

Lisa Lewis brought up the idea of a raffle and Sheri Byrne will forward information on to her. Lana Barrack organized one in the past for a choir trip so she would be a good resource. We could have a raffle in conjunction with the Fine Arts Night or a silent auction with baskets that include Maui Jim sunglasses and tickets to shows around the area. Lisa was instructed that if she gets some fundraising ideas, to go ahead and organize them as prior Music Boosters approval is not necessary.

The next Music Boosters meeting will be held on February 3 at 7:00 pm. Our meeting was adjourned by President Sheri Byrne at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dianne Gootee