Dunlap Music Boosters Meeting

Minutes for March 8, 2016

Attendance: Officers present included: President Nathan Ruby, Vice President Charles Webber, Secretary Dianne Gootee, and Treasurer Krista Hoerr. Directors Jason Shea and Robin Hunt were present. Others in attendance included: Lisa Lewis, Bruce Hoerr, Michelle Gross, and Dianne Klumpe.

Call to Order: The regular monthly meeting was called to order by President Nathan Ruby at 7:03 pm in the DHS Town Center. Jason Shea led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary's Report: The meeting minutes from February were presented and could also be viewed online. Nathan asked if there were any corrections and since there were no objections, the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance	\$ 25,671.37
Receipts	15,842.58
Expenses	(32,854.09)
Ending Balance 3/8/16	\$ 8,659,86

Krista said that revenue was down this year from the Jazzfest, which was most likely due to DHS hosting the event for only one evening instead of two as in the past. If anyone has any money for her, please try to have it sent to her home address so it doesn't get lost at DHS somewhere. Krista has transferred savings funds back into our checking account because this is what was raised from the piano fundraiser and will be spent soon. Check #2338 was made out to DHS and the money went into the chorus activity account because the school will issue the final check when the piano is delivered.

We covered the chorus accompanist in the past and to be fair we also paid for the band/orchestra accompanist, which was \$1,100. Jason said we had a lot more students participating this year when they realized that they didn't have to pay for their own accompanist. The chorus accompanist cost was less mainly because Jen plays for a lot of her students.

We are budgeting \$1,000 in income from the Butter Braids fundraiser. Band and theatre sales will go into the general fund. Choir sales go toward their trip accounts.

A question was raised about the \$150.00 budgeted for the website but Lisa Lewis thinks that Michelle Unser (the previous chair) paid the fee out of her own pocket. Michelle was trying to figure out if the ownership of the website could be switched over to the school instead of an individual. Lisa is not sure where that stands.

Krista stated that our cash is running low. Upcoming possibilities for income include two concerts and a DQ fundraiser.

Directors' Reports:

Robin Hunt (Theatre): The contest play will be performed next Wednesday and Thursday at 7:00 pm. On Friday, we'll load the buses at noon and head to Belleville as the contest play performs at 8:15 on Friday evening and the Group Interp performs on Saturday at 10:45.

<u>Jill Potts and Jason Shea (Band):</u> We had the most entries in the solo and ensemble contest that we've ever had. Our students, in band, orchestra and choir, performed really well and we received lots of Division I ratings. We scored over 200 points higher than last year in accumulating IHSA points. There is a band concert on Monday, March 21 at 7:00 pm and a Chorus concert on March 24 at 7:00 pm. The reworked piano will be unveiled at the concerts, which will be a big deal!

The jazz band performed at Rolling Meadows last week and someone commented that they heard the group sounded really good.

Other Committees:

<u>Senior Dinner:</u> Dianne Gootee said that she is chairing the event with Lori France, Sandy DeSalvio, and Vicki Rooney. There is a budget of \$250.00 for this event. Personal invitations will be given to the students only....families are not invited. A list of seniors needs to requested from the orchestra, chorus, and band teachers. Tables will be decorated. Krista asked if Jill, Jason, and Jen could get together and order awards together. She also requested that we use the tax exempt letter when purchasing items for upcoming events so we can save the taxes associated with purchases.

<u>Fine Arts Night:</u> Nathan Ruby asked who is chairing this event and it is Linda Smith. Nathan will touch base with her

Special Committees:

By-Law Committee – Krista Hoerr said that new bylaws went out yesterday. The goal is to present them next month at the meeting and then vote on them in May.

<u>Strategic Planning</u> – Charles Webber said that he is working on it.

<u>Fundraising:</u> Dianne Klumpe said that corporate Avanti's was very happy with our fundraiser and by 7:45 pm we had eaten them out of bread, lettuce, and Ranch dressing. We made \$485.27 and the check should be in the mail.

Our next fundraiser is at DQ in May.

Krista Hoerr announced that Olivers is ready to host a fundraiser for us on Monday, April 11. Dianne Klumpe said that she was underwhelmed with the management at Olivers and did not get good vibes from them. She has struggled to get them to call her back. Charles Webber said we need to try the fundraiser since we are running low on funds. Dianne K. said she would be happy to schedule a fundraiser at another restaurant if we'd like to have one because she does not want to organize the fundraiser at Olivers. There will be no fundraiser at Olivers.

New Business/Unfinished Business:

Nominations for officers need to be presented on a slate in April and then elections will be held in May. Nathan Ruby will send an email as to who is staying in their positions and what positions are open. Nathan said that he will be stepping down as President as he cannot attend meetings in the future on Tuesdays. We also need a parent of younger students to work along with the treasurer in order to take over in the future.

The Music Boosters registration form was presented by Dianne Klumpe. We need to vote on the form as presented with tiered levels of sponsorships. Dianne took comments, concerns, ideas, and discussed them with her committee and they reworked the form. Robin Hunt said she does not want the theatre to provide tickets or have reserved seating at the productions. Dianne said she was thinking there would be one plaque and names would be added on plates each year. The deadline for the form is the first Friday after spring break. Dianne's goal is to have it to Carla Passmore prior to spring break.

The next Music Boosters meetings will be held on April 12 and May 17, at 7:00 pm. These are the second Tuesdays of each month. Our meeting was adjourned by President Nathan Ruby at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dianne Gootee Secretary