

DGN Music Boosters Meeting Minutes
November 8, 2005

- Meeting called to order 7:30
- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of minutes with corrections from October 4
- President's Report:** Band O Rama was fun! It was the first event with parents serving as ushers and it was great to have board members visible! The Orchestra Concert was great and it was nice to include the Herrick Orchestra. Mrs. Rose, Herrick's director, does a wonderful job. The Choir Concert was excellent.
- Secretary's Report:** No report.
- Financial Report:**
 - Treasurer:** Becky presented the current check register reflecting large deposits for value cards and the band trip.
 - VP:** Bill was unable to be at the meeting so he sent the current financial statement with Becky. The expense shown under Contributing Members includes postage and window clings.
 - Contributing Members:** We currently have 172 members, contributions totaling \$13,430. We should try to encourage students to attend summer camps. Students who have attended camps could give testimonials in the newsletter and on the website. It would be nice to offer tangible examples of how the contributions are distributed.
 - Fundraising:**
 - Value Cards:** Andrea Kennedy reported that the sale was a huge success! It lasted 3 weeks and grew by 40% with a 57% increase to student accounts. She distributed a recap of the sale. Thanks for a great job!!
 - Fannie Mae:** Mary reported the sale will be held November 1-November 28 with pick-up on December 10. Mary purchased 6 calculators for tallying. After research she spent \$42.94, using a \$20 gift card and a \$15.00 coupon.
 - Market Day:** Dawn said the October sale totaled \$456.34. Totals for this year from the Sarah Lee Store are \$2533.58. Total to student accounts is \$396.25.
 - Pizza/Cheesecake:** Sale will begin December 16. Pick up will be right before Superbowl and Valentine's Day.
 - Flower Sale:** The sale will be in the spring with pick up Mothers Day weekend.
- Student Accounts:**
 - Choir:** \$9,571.04
 - Orchestra:** \$1,735.41
 - Band:** \$69,217.14Bill wants to know if we are ready to include student account information on the website listed by student number only. We will include a disclaimer like "Information current as of (date)".
- Hospitality:** Ready for the next concerts!
- Volunteers:** All is well!
- Publicity:** Sharon thanks everyone who resent their information after her computer crashed! The current issue is printed and ready to go. It will eventually be available on the website.
- Website:** Bill has added a tab titled "What's New". He will eventually include a school map. If anyone has comments or concerns please let him know.

-Directors' Reports:

-Brayer:

- I enjoyed the opportunity to be at the Choir and Orchestra Concerts! Kudos to Anne for including District 58 (Herrick).

- The Marching band season is over...We are very proud of our students and their support of our team. Our singing of the Alma Mater helps everyone deal with tough moments. ***NOTE: Bill Younker overheard positive comments from Barrington parents after our loss there. They were definitely impressed.

-We have a few sad things to report: Regina Ozog's father died suddenly and Ken Sorenson's sister passed away from breast cancer. There was a terrible bus accident in Wisconsin that affected the Chippewa Falls band. OUR students collected approximately \$325 to be sent to the Chippewa Falls Music Foundation.

- We are preparing for the Mosaic Concert! There will be 2 performances on December 13. The students will be fed between performances as they were last year.

-Anne:

- The October concert went well. The middle school was well received by both students and parents.

-IMEA is scheduled as follows: November 12-Jazz Students and November 19-Band, Choir and Orchestra Students. It is a wonderful opportunity for all students to work with other directors.

-December will be crazy but fun! Symphonic Orchestra students will perform at both North & South Holiday Concerts.

-Anne would like to take the students to a Consortium that will be held at U of I in February. The school may cover the entry fee of \$275 but transportation costs will be additional.

-Janis:

-Fall concerts were great!

-Recently the students have begun their preparations for the Giving Tree. They have started early this year and have already raised \$300.

-This year there are 51 students from the music department participating in IMEA. There is a choir consisting of freshman & sophomore students chosen by the directors. The two quartets, 4 girls and 4 boys, perform for the senior choir before the main performance to get the younger students familiar with the IMEA process.

-New Business:

-Mid America Bank is opening a new branch on Ogden Avenue soon. As an opening promotion they are offering to make a donation to the DGN Music Boosters for each new account opened. Joe has questions and will report to us at the December meeting.

-The Directors have 3 requests:

1) They would like us to purchase a wall shelf unit to provide additional/better storage of cds in the Music Library. The cost is approximately \$154.00. Motion made and approved by the board.

2) This year's budget does not allow for purchase of additions to the Music Library so they would like us to consider funding \$200 for each section (pop, guitar, choir and band) to buy more music. The directors will have a great opportunity to view new offerings at a conference before Christmas break. We will discuss this at the next meeting when Bill is available.

3) The directors would like funds to frame the Europe Tour poster as we have done in the past for other tours. There are 3 posters and Brayer was quoted a special price of \$225 for all three including glass, foam board, mat and frame. South will contribute \$75, bringing the total request to \$150. Motion was made and approved by board.

-Old Business:

-Brayer has provided a first draft titled "Usher Responsibilities" to further clarify responsibilities. This is a ROUGH draft: corrections and clarifications will be made in the near future.

-The district has agreed to purchase new Marching Band uniforms for next season! We have permission from them to sell the old uniforms and keep the money for the organization. A plan will be developed and reported at a later date.

-National Music Days are November 21-22. U of I is having a used instrument drive so feel free to make a donation.

Meeting Adjourned 8:45.

Members present: Bill & Sharon Younker, Dawn Johnson, Andrea Kennedy, Sara moss, Mary Siebert, Joe & Linda Rush, Diana Rhoades, Ruth Schneider, Becky Connery, Anne Branch, Brayer Teague, Janis Guter, Mary Pariszkiewicz, Melissa Love, Tina Riley

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Riley