

DGN Music Boosters Meeting Minutes September 4, 2007

~ Meeting began 7:05 p.m.

~ Introductions

~ Approval of Agenda

~ Approval of May Minutes with corrections: Under 'Directors', the first section should be 'Orchestra', Third sentence should have read 'Beth O'Riordan has been here twice...'

Under 'Band', Brayer wanted clarification that Music Boosters approved a \$500.00 donation as part of the \$2,000.00 total budget for the music piece being created.

~ **President's Report:** Marianne Moscato stated that she and Dawn are just trying to get comfortable in their roles of sharing the job of President. They have spoken at two general meetings at school already and are actively recruiting new volunteers for Music Boosters. Marianne nominated Sue Knoebel to the position of VP of Hospitality. All in favor.

~ **Secretary's Report:** Donna Granback simply asked for patience in getting to know everyone on the board.

~ **Financial Reports:**

- **VP Finance:** We operated at approximately a \$10,000 loss last year, spending \$13,000 on guitar equipment. August had very little activity. Only expenditures were Spirit sales inventory purchases. Last year we lost money on Spirit sales. We hope to make money this year. We have a \$3,000 budget allowance for percussion equipment this year. He presented the 2007/08 budget and reminded us that the budget is only a 'guess' at this point. Discussion about Louis Tailors having a zero balance – he needs a contact person's name and does want to forward the benefits to us from letterman's jackets. Budget was approved at the 6/20/07 meeting.
- **Treasurer:** August interest will be reflected on next month's report. Audit of books is in process for transferring from Becky to Joe's tenure as Treasurer. Student thank you cards for band camps were passed around. Split the Pot from Friday night's game was won by Dr. O'Hara who donated \$170 of his winnings to Music Boosters. Joe will send thank you note. Spirit sales so far this year \$465 from Purple/White game and Band Information Night and 4527 from first home game.
- **Contributing Members:** 109 contributors so far with over \$9,000 total. 164 was last year's total. We are getting about 5 per week. Joan asked about our decal and if there were enough to send as a thank you's. Discussion followed about possibility of creating new logo. Brayer will ask an art department for ideas.
- **Fundraising:**
 - **Market Day:** \$240.94 September sales and \$4,457.43 for year from Sara Lee, Pea Pod, and Wood Dale store.
 - **Spirit Sales:** Polly stocked up on inventory and needs help before/during and after games and she needs an understudy to begin learning the ropes to take over for her after this year.
 - **Cheesecake:** The Gutzke's also need someone to take over cheesecake fundraising after this year.
 - **ValuCard:** Initial proof for cards is in the works and approval form needs signing. Need kickoff date for classroom presentations. Anyone willing to help with presentations, please let Dick Weil know. 500 cards are on order.
 - **Fannie May:** Monday, November 26th the day after Thanksgiving will be tallying day. Saturday, December 8 is pickup day. 35% discount with 5% to customers. Lots of new items. PDF file this year for our website.

- **Fundraising Chair:** Batman movie volunteers, 62 in total, working over 3 days, earned \$4,030.00! Chuck would like to send a thank you CDs to all. Brayer suggested paying Chuck's gas bill for all the car trips he made. All in favor.

~**Student Accounts:**

- Orchestra:** \$315.70 transferred – \$42,587.85 balance.
- Band:** \$11,230.09 ending balance. Dormant senior accounts of graduates have been closed out. Indy 500 checks in so far total \$1,025.00.

-**Choir:** Lynn N. not present – Tom Walser reported about \$5,700 in account.

~ **Hospitality:** Marianne reported Orchestra's Mary Kedzior requests a replacement for next year. Band: Anne Sassano has volunteered. Choir: no one yet. Frank Piekarz. hopes Thursday's meeting will bring forth a person for both Hospitality and Cheesecake sales.

~ **Volunteers:** The volunteer sheet going out over the summer gave us an excellent response. Barb Mech will give names to Chairs.

~ **Publicity:**

-**Newsletter:** Helene Nogle needs to meet with Sharon Younker for guidance. Diana Karge will be assisting Helene. Helene needs email list. Early October was suggested for first newsletter.

-**Website:** Bill Younker is our volunteer webmaster.

-**Directory:** No report

~ **Directors:**

-**Band:** Brayer highlighted Bike & Hike for Mike on Saturday, Sept. 8. Funds raised go toward scholarship assistance at DGN and DGS. Bill stated having a student teacher in the fall is great. Gina was marveling at our uniform system. Bill requested a check for \$2,000 for travel agency for Indy 500 trip in May 2008. Check to be written after meeting.

-**Choir:** Frank reflected on the successful beginning of the year with a new teacher to work with.

~ **New Business:** -Brayer shared information about the death of John Shoemaker, son of Clarence Shoemaker, music icon in Downers Grove high schools in the '60's. The District decided the performances of both bands at Friday night's DGN/DGS game will be dedicated to John. The District would like to donate \$500 to the McDonough Choral Society in Macomb, IL started by John & Sue Shoemaker. Music Boosters was asked to be one of five entities donating \$100 each. All in favor.

~ **Old Business:** Question on Superossa Jazz Night – not currently being planned.

Meeting adjourned: 8:25 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 2, 2007

Members present: Brayer Teague, Barb Mech, Helene Nogle, Tom Walser, Dawn Johnson, Joe Rush, Linda Rush, Chuck Martin, Mary Paruszkiewicz, Amy Potvin, Frank Piekarz, Beth O'Riordan, Dick Weil, Margaret Wilson, Brian Wilson, Deb Stevenson, Sue Keller, Sue Knobel, Marianne Moscato, Pattie DePeder, Joan Ralph, Donna Granback