

Sycamore Music Boosters

October 20, 2016

In attendance: Laurie Emmer, Cara Jovanovich, Lisa Smith, Cindy Prebil, Amy Cuthbert, Peggy Diemer, Andrea Doering, Deb Loitz, Kathy Reuter, Clare Dempsey, Cathie Lohse, Ken Tonaki, Scott Mertens, Les Hecht

President Lisa Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made around the table. Cindy P is shadowing Peggy as possible treasurer replacement. Clare as possible replacement for Kathy R as Craft Fair volunteer chair.

2. Approval of the Agenda –On a motion by Kathy R, and seconded by Laurie the agenda was approved.
3. Approval of the Minutes from Sept 15, 2016 - On a motion by Laurie, seconded by Deb the minutes were approved.
4. Treasurer's Report for September 16, 2016-October 20, 2016.

Miscellaneous Notes: A card was sent to Kirk Lundbeck. Stop payment placed on lost college scholarship check #4918. Bank waived the \$37.00 stop payment fee as a one time courtesy. The \$500.00 check was voided in quickbooks and new check was issued and mailed to St. Olaf College.

Deposits: \$13,040.00 from Craft Fair vendors for booth space rental. \$20 cash deposit for window clings and \$2.11 checking account interest earned. Total deposit in checking account: \$13,062.11 plus \$500.00 credit from voided check. Interest earned from ICCU CD1: \$19.09 and CD 2 \$15.81.

Expenses: \$1000 to school district for SHS musical, \$34.70 to LePrint Express for craft fair posters, \$70.00 to Banner Up Signs for craft fair sign decals, \$336.00 for renewal fee with Constant Contact, \$140.00 to Orange Peel Gazette for Craft Fair advertising and \$500.00 to St. Olaf College to replace lost check number 4918. Total \$2080.70

Account Balances:

ICCU Savings: \$25.21

ICCU CD 1: \$10,139.59

ICCU CD 2: \$5,043.37

First Midwest Bank checking: \$94,903.47

Outstanding Deposits: Craft Fair vendor deposits for booth space

Outstanding Expenses: Craft fair, school district billing and the KSO for 4th graders field trip.

Questions, comments or concerns?

On a motion by Kathy, seconded by Les, the Treasurer's report was approved

5. Music Department

Scott Mertens-Music Department Update.

- Frank Lestina retired from Vernon Hills will be filling in as substitute music teacher. Amanda Nelson has been covering but she had to leave.
 - ILMEA auditions went very well
 - SMS 12 choir, 12 band, 20 orchestra, 4 jazz band
- SHS 13 choir, 12 band and orchestra winds, 13 orchestra, 3 jazz band
- Marching season is done
- Marengo results:
 - Fourth overall (the were two bass drummers missing that day)
 - Best Marching in the division
- Oct 25, Marching Band Concert

- Oct 29, 9:30 -11:00 am elementary groups performing at Craft Fair
- Nov 4-6 SHS Musical, Friday, and Sat performances at 7:00pm and Sun at 2:00pm
- Nov 5, Elementary general music, Harlem MS to be involved starts at 4:00pm
- Nov 10, SMS choir
- Nov 12, ILMEA District Jazz (both SMS and SHS) at Rochelle High School
- Nov 14, SMS Band
- Nov 15, 5th grade band
- Nov 19, All district concerts at DeKalb, included Choir, Band, and Orchestra. Senior Concert is at 7:00pm
- Scott has some donations from parents for the Craft Fair
- Dec 16, The Midwest Clinic, International Band and Orchestra Clinic, www.midwestclinic.org at McCormick Place West
 - Sycamore Middle School Orchestra (Illinois), Amy Lestina Tonaki, *conductor*
 - There will also be a demo with Frank Lestina and the SHS orchestra will be performing.

Ken Tonaki – First request for funding for The Midwest Clinic trip

- Both SMS and SHS will be performing, they will leave early Friday morning (the district music budget will be used for the transportation).
- This meeting will have students from other schools, music vendors, and colleges
- The students will be bringing their lunches
- Approx 70 students, faculty and chaperones would be provided with dinner after their performances at the Exchequer Restaurant in Chicago it will cost about \$11.50/person.
- The music department is asking up to \$1000.00 to fund the dinner.
- On Oct 26, after the meeting the Exchequer contacted the music dept. and informed them that their location would not be available for the student dinner. An alternate restaurant was located but the cost will be ~ \$1440.00 and they needed the funding before the second reading to make the deposit.
- The Board and other interested parties were contacted with the new information and an email vote was completed:
 - Fund the new cost.
 - Fund only up to \$1000.00 and the students would need to cover the rest of the money.
 - No funding for the dinner.
- The vote approved the new request to be given a second reading at the Nov meeting.

Scott Mertens

- Brian Kowalski nominated 3 SMS, and 3 SHS students for the ACDA conference to be held in MN this year.
- Ron Carter will be in Nov 8 to work with the SHS Jazz Band, he's coming in from NC and charges a fee.

7. Fundraisers

- Craft Fair
 - Kathy R. not much in the mail.
 - Adult sign ups a little low for Sunday
 - An additional email was being sent to the students at SMS/SHS
 - Another request for volunteers on the Facebook page
 - There are about 50 pies pledged so far
 - Cathie Lohse- there was a small SNAFU with the signs, 2 signs had to be removed, two relocated and a permit obtained, we can have ~ 6 signs, for smaller yard signs we still need permission. We have to remember to get a permit next year.
 - Concessions are OK.
 - Peggy is getting the golf carts.
 - Kohls events are very full for Oct but Cathie Lohse is having the associates bake cookies we can sell at the concession or give to the student volunteers.

- Amy, just about full for vendors and some are still calling, we have a lot of repeat crafters and some businesses
 - A potential replacement team is meeting with the current chairs
 - Friday open at 9:00am, Saturday open at 6:30am for some vendors to set up, Sunday 8:00am.
 - Raffle tickets are being given to those who donate pies, Cathie will pick up a gift for the raffle
 - Les has the poster for the Raffle and info on Sycamore Music Boosters
6. Publicity/Promote Sycamore Music Boosters.
- Ads out for Craft Fair – press releases with general info, PSA to radio stations, posters, push for volunteers, the Facebook page and the district website
 - Releases sent about:
 - Marching Band concert
 - Hall of Fame applications
 - The Wurlitzer grant with Lisa and Scott holding a check.
 - Nashville Trip
 - After the Craft Fair Noelle Sharp's donation to Music Boosters
 - Midwest Clinic news.
 - Deb would like help to meet the ongoing needs of publicity, FB, website.
7. Fundraisers
- b. ANTR-
- Next meeting Nov 6, 3:00pm, at the Sycamore Methodist Church.
 - Scott working on possible musicians.
- c. Small Fundraisers-
- Mattress folks are coming to the November meeting.
 - TAILS made \$500 from Chipotle, perhaps Music Boosters can do this in Jan.
 - Jamrah
 - Culvers
 - We will try and work around Dec concerts (Dec 5 orchestra and Dec 7 band) - Lisa will talk to Amar at Jamrah
 - T-shirts/sweatshirts
8. Scholarships-No report
9. Hall of Fame –
- Madeline and the Hulsbergs are trying to get together.
 - Oct 15 was the deadline but there were no nominations and the deadline was extended to Nov 5. Deb will send out the publicity.
 - There was brief discussion about the need to keep the ceremony brief, the number of awards, awards for the All-State students, and the small reception after the presentations.
 - A discussion was held to determine if we wanted to honor John Corliss at the ceremony. It was decided we should wait until after the official memorial service in the spring. It was noted that the Marching band paid tribute at one of their performances.

Next general meeting November 17, 2016, 6:00pm SHS Library

On a motion by Cathie, seconded by Deb. The meeting was adjourned.