

Sycamore Music Boosters

October 15, 2015

In attendance: Ken Olson, Peggy Diemer, Amy Cuthbert, Cindy Prebil, Lisa Smith, Jeanne Flaherty, Janet Olson, Scott Mertens, Les Hecht, Kathy Reuter, Cathie Lohse, Vasantha Gona, and Kristine Mertens

Prior to the start of the meeting all present voted for a T-Shirt design.

President Ken Olson welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made around the table.

2. Approval of the Agenda –On motion by Lisa, seconded by Kathy R. The agenda was approved.
3. Approval of the Minutes from Sept 2015-On a motion by Lisa, seconded by Kathy R. the minutes were approved.
4. Treasurer's Report –September 18 – October 15, 2015.
 - Notes: A returned scholarship was voided for \$250.00. Two outstanding scholarship checks have not been returned and stop payment on the checks should be put in place.
 - Deposits: Illinois Credit Union CD interest earned \$190.00, NB & T bank interest \$1.82, vendor deposits for booth rental \$10,900 and \$157.11 reimbursement check from a vendor for a returned deposit and the bank service fee.
 - Expenses: \$150 check to a vendor for booth rental fee (approved by chairperson Amy Cuthbert), LePrint Express \$70.10 for craft fair expenses, reimbursement of \$384.47 to Joe Godinsky for Constant Contact invoice, \$75.00 to vendor for booth rental (partial refund of full rental fee approved by Amy and Cathie Lohse), \$70.00 to Banner Up Signs for craft fair expenses and \$300 to Brett Goad the choir clinician for the elementary/high school choir festival. Total Expenses \$1,049.57
 - Account Balances:
 - IL Credit Unions Savings: \$25.21
 - IL Credit Union CD: \$10,063.77
 - NB&T Checking: \$72,976.27
 - Outstanding deposits: Craft Fair Vendor Deposits.
 - Outstanding Expenses: Craft fair general expenses, and the KSO trip for the elementary school students.

On a motion by Kathy R, seconded by Janet the Treasurer's report was approved.

5. Music Department

Scott Mertens-Music Department Update.

- ILMEA results are changing slightly but for the better, some students were asked to be in two groups, band and orchestra or band and jazz band
- SHS 14 band, 7 orchestra winds, 22 orchestra, 13 chorus, 1 jazz band
- SMS 13 orchestra, 10 chorus, 15 band, 5 jazz band
- Marengo band received a 3rd place trophy but a check of the scoring resulted in a 2nd place finish
- Tonight elementary/SHS choirs performing after a clinic with Goad, the groups were doing a good job
- Dave Olson requested the support for the HS musical. This is a budgeted item so no vote was required.
- Proposal for funding from Brian Kolwalski and Drayton Eggleston. They would like to have a SHS/SMS choral festival and have a HS director work with both groups after school. The groups will work through dinner and they are requesting \$380.98 for dinner for 95 students from Italian Dreams. The proposal will be considered at the next MB meeting in November.

- Pumpkin Fest-Mr. Goodman didn't have a time slot and the only one open was Sun 12:45-3:00pm but another music faculty will be there.
 - Dates: Oct 16, Football against Morris, Senior night
 - Oct 24, Elementary Orchestra; Oct 25, Pumpkin Parade SHS,
 - Oct 26, SHS Marching Band Concert at the SHS Field House
 - Nov 6, 7, 8 SHS Musical Addams Family
 - Nov 7, ILMEA general music for 4/5 grades at Rochelle
 - Nov 9, SMS Choir; Nov 12, SMS orchestra
 - Nov 14, ILMEA Jazz at Rochelle and Orchestra at Augustana College
 - Nov 17, 5th grade band concert
 - Nov 21, ILMEA Band at DeKalb HS
6. Promotional-Deb was out but sent a report to Ken O.
- a. Newsletter/PR/Website/Social Media- Preparing press releases for Music Boosters, and ILEMA participants. PR is out promoting the Make a Difference DKC/Feed My Starving Children raffle tickets sold at the Craft Fair and upcoming concerts.
 - b. Booster Promotion at concerts-Ken O. spoke at the SHS orchestra concert and an announcement will be made at the choir concert. There was information about boosters in the program too.
 - c. Spirit wear fundraiser- The winning design was created by Myrnada Wilbur from SMS. The window clings are in and will be sold at the Craft Fair for \$5.00. We need to decide the color of the T-shirts and hoodies and the printing. After a short discussion Ken asked the committee make the final decision. Hopefully a shirt will be available for the Craft Fair and perhaps an order form can be made for individuals to use. Do we still want to do draw string bags? If so we need to decide color and materials.
7. Fundraisers
- a. Craft Fair-preparation are going well
 - New Health Inspector will need the permits from 2 vendors (not just the applications), if not they cannot open their booths.
 - Room, safe, walkie/talkies, keys tables are ready. If the weather is bad then football may need the field house until 6:00pm on Thurs.
 - The janitors need to set up the bleachers in the performance area
 - Friday, the Pepsi vendor shows up, the concessions and walk-in coolers will be ready
 - Pizza will be available for student volunteers on Friday at lunch 11am-1pm
 - Kohls is helping Sunday for the \$500 grant
 - Vendors currently at 38 and expect a few more by the end of the week, they are just slow signing up
 - b. ANTR- Bob and Kris we not available for updates
 - Bob did get Blumen Gardens to agree to the same rate for the next three years.
 - The basket committee needs help.
 - The linens and chocolate fountain are set.
 - The program will be Pete Benson and Jazz group at 8:00pm, SHS Jazz at 9:00pm, Todd Donnally a steel drummer from Sycamore at 10:00pm
 - A short discussion was held to regarding ticket pricing and how reasonable it was.
8. Hall of Fame
- Deadline was Oct 10, due to a low number of nominations it was extended to Nov 1, 2015.
9. Scholarships
- No report.
10. Auditorium
- The space study is not yet done.
11. Elections May 2016 - President, Vice President, and Secretary
12. Next general meeting November 19, 2015.
- On a motion by Cathie L., seconded by Kathy R. The meeting was adjourned.