

## **Jacobs Music Boosters Meeting Minutes (4th Meeting, SY2019-2020)**

Date: January 14, 2020

Time: 6:30 pm

Venue: Jacobs Orchestra Room

### **Attendance:**

Nancy Barrett	Sue Demma	Janet May	Jennifer Parker	Holly Stumpf
Dawn Bauman	Terry Foster	Laura McMahon	Emma Placzowski	Ianitzia Vesselinova
Linda Blackman	Anthony Gnutek	Angela Nahornoff	Dawn Quast	Jenny Zucaro
Belinda Cabindol	Kevin Kuphal	Robin Oakes	Dorte Strobel	

### **Proceedings:**

#### I. Call to Order

- Meeting was called to order at 6:35pm with a motion from Dawn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sue.

#### II. Approval of Agenda

- Agenda approved by a motion from Kevin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dawn

#### III. President's Report

- Fundraising activities had satisfactory gains. Specifically, the Madrigals Concert generated profit this school year. Craft Fair earned \$10K, and Cheesecake sales were noteworthy as well.
- Pops concert is coming in February. Linda will discuss in details later in the agenda.
- Lou Malnati's Pizza coming as fundraiser for 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the school year.
- Board Position and Chairperson nominations and voting will be coming soon as well

#### IV. Treasurer's Report

- Reference Budget Report and Statement of Activity Report
- Tax statements are being prepared. Activities have been classified and coded into categories
- To date, a net revenue of about \$15K was generated
- To date, checking account has a total of approximately \$55K which includes carry over from last school year.

#### V. Director's Report

- Mr. Foster – Orchestra

Chamber Orchestra is headed to U of I in February. Transportation cost to be split between Boosters and District.

Pops concert is coming up in February. Format has been completely redesigned. Linda has details and will discuss later in the agenda.

Practice rooms are unusable at this time. Vendor was contacted for cost of doors/sound proofing. Overall budget for next school year is currently being worked on, and more information regarding Boosters vs. School/District expense will be provided soon.

New York trip is happening first week of June. Third Bus has been called off. Mr. Foster to provide Shaun with student bus assignments.

- Mr. Gnutek – Band

Five students will be in Peoria end of the month for All-State; Pep band will be at a game tomorrow and on Feb 5<sup>th</sup>; Eighth Grade students from DMS and WCS will be at Jacobs on Jan 29<sup>th</sup> and Mr. Gnutek would like to serve snacks; Band in Batavia on Feb 8<sup>th</sup>; Pep band will be at a make-up game on Feb 10<sup>th</sup>; Last remaining games will happen during the week of the musical and therefore subs/replacements will need to be arranged.

On March 17<sup>th</sup>, Wind Ensemble is performing with 8<sup>th</sup> graders and Mr. Gnutek would like to serve pizza between 5:30-6:30pm.

Marching Band competition sign-up fees will need to be paid (costs: \$100, \$150, \$200).

PE waivers are due Feb 15<sup>th</sup>.

On Jan 25<sup>th</sup>, we will be working for Allegiance Color Guard. They are renting the school facilities and essentially, running the show. We only supply the concessions and provide student guides. Mr. Gnutek is trying to recruit volunteers from Tri-M so they can get service hours. We do not need to worry about the program, admission, monitors. We have about 5-6 kids that perform for them.

- Ms. Parker – Choir

The Choral group has been busy. There will be a clinic on Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>. A College Music Professor from Elmhurst will work with the Goldenaires. Mrs. Parker asks the Boosters if we can compensate her for her time and effort and suggests \$300 for a 4-hour clinic.

Goldenaires will be at the IMEC on Jan 30<sup>th</sup>. Parents who would want to watch the performance will need to obtain a pass and get in touch with Mrs. Parker. Mrs. Parker asked for a volunteer to handle the passes and Jenny Z has offered. The group will be leaving at 10am for Peoria and come back on the same day. The district will provide dinner for the students.

The Musical will be held this February. Parent Volunteer sign-up sheet is out and has been distributed. Mr. Parker is the Pit Director for this year's Musical. We will need to purchase a pedal for the keyboard which costs about \$27. And since Chamber is going to Uofl on Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, we have subs to fill-in their spot in the pit which will cost \$100 each performance.

The 24-Hour Musical is on March 6/7. Students are entirely in charge of putting it together and Boosters will only be for support. The musical aims to raise money for a foundation.

Music in the Parks: This is our 3<sup>rd</sup> year of participation. Students head to Gurnee HS and perform for a judge. After the performance, the students proceed to Six Flags. In the past, the

Boosters provided the entry to the festival (~\$16.50 per student) and the students pay the Six Flags park entrance. There are about 40-45 student participants. This will be on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### VI. VP Reports

- Sue D.– Orchestra

There are currently no new items to report for Orchestra.

- Dawn Q.– Band

We will need volunteers for the Color Guard event. This is a great opportunity for us and we are expecting 700-1000 participants and guests. Please share the sign-up link and re-send information email so parents can be reminded. Volunteer slots are about 44% filled which are mostly the earlier slots. It is a 2to3-hour commitment. We will need more volunteers for the later time slots to serve during the dinner rush and for clean-up. Tri-M is hosting a bake sale during the Color Guard event. Katelyn Holtz is in-charge of Tri-M and is soliciting baked goods.

- Nancy B.– Choir

Madrigals concert went well and has made a profit this year. Poinsettia sale was also a hit. We are expecting to do the same next year due to the positive turnout and will go ahead in reserving the same venue, Golf Club of IL.

#### VII. Chairperson Reports

- Pops Concert – Linda B.

Pops Concert is coming up. Doors will open at 5:30pm and performances begin at 6:30pm. This year's Pops Concert is a new format where there will be 3 simultaneous concerts. Each music group - Orchestra, Band, and Choir will be performing at the same time in separate venues within the school. Volunteer Sign-up sheet is available but email has not been sent yet as concert schedule still needs to be finalized since parent volunteers will not be in the performance rooms and we do not want them to miss out on their student's performance. Fundraising activities will be along the corridors which include: auctions, concessions, price raffle. We are expecting that fundraising this year will be less than last year's due to the new format where movement is limited. There will be NO 50/50 raffle, a few concessions, and about 8 auctions. Ideas for other fundraising activities are welcome. Some suggestions that were brought up: Nothing Bundt Cake, Fox River Spa, Fuzzy Socks. Linda will coordinate.

- Scholarships – Linda B.

There were only 3 applications last year due to the late announcement and tight deadline and therefore scholarship was awarded to all 3 students. We want to encourage more students to apply this year so we will need to start the application process early. Linda will draft the application and send to the Directors for distribution. Shaun will review funds to determine amount available for the scholarships. The scholarship is valid for music-related summer camps. Huntley Boosters will be our application readers.

- Concert Attire – Dawn B.

We are working with Joe B. for the concert attire to be managed by the school and not the Boosters since it is a school requirement. Boosters has been absorbing the cost of unpaid attires in the past. Shifting this responsibility to the school unloads the Boosters with this financial burden.

#### VIII. Questions/Concerns (Open Forum)

- Directors are requested to turn in their “wish list” for next school year so Boosters can plan budget accordingly.

#### IX. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm through a motion by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kevin.