

## Parents for the Performing Arts Minutes

September 20, 2017 PM SMSA Cafeteria

5:30pm

**In Attendance: Christa Lewis, Jennie Holzmann, Cindi Hutter, Kris Tagliapetra, Ann Hoepfner, Kolleen Ozols, Andrea Pannier, Carol Schlaefer, Lori Pierret, Michele Reid**

### 1) Welcome/Prayer: Jennie Holzmann

- Jennie stated that PPA meetings will run as a board meeting. More specific and detailed topics should be discussed at the committee level.
- Prayer: Hail Mary
- May Minutes approved: Motion by Christa Lewis, second, Andrea Pannier
- Meeting Dates: Jennie will hand out meeting dates at the next meeting.

### 2) Treasurer's Report: Kris Tagliapetra

- Total: \$33,580.11
- Patron drive: \$4150.00 so far
- Sports cards should yield \$2000, which is a little less than what the discount cards from last year brought in.
- Expenses: Microphone upgrade: Returned 5, used credit and purchased 5 new ones
- Music Theatre International shipping fee of \$30 was discussed
- Kris explained the differences in treasurer procedures and is streamlining the process so expenses are managed instead of controlled.
- Christa Lewis and Kris will collaborate to figure out a process-need a separate account. Christa will talk to Barb Loehr to see if she can give Kris receipts.
- Patron Drive: Rose Ahern will coordinate hand written thank you notes. She will provide a template of what to say. We have cards and stamps. There will be a December deadline. Andrea will solicit students for this.

### 3) HS Music Department: Andrea Pannier

- Four major concert dates:
- Fall concert: Wednesday, October 18 at 7pm at Sacred Heart
- Christmas Concert: December 20
- Jazz Night: Saturday, May 12 at UW FDL Commons
- Spring Concert: May 23
- Jennie has a list of volunteers and will use signup.com again since it worked well previously.

4) HS Theatre Department: Christa Lewis

- 25 students tried out for the fall play, Amateurs. There are 8 roles to fill.
- The musical will be The Sound of Music. The NFDL director is pushing for the same weekends as SMSA. The musical may be close to end of the year events.
- End of the year awards banquet tentative date is May 24. The cafeteria needs to be reserved.

5) Middle School Music and Theatre Department: Phil Schmal/Mark Vach

- Phil Schmal will not be doing the middle school musical.
- Christa, Mark and Phil want to introduce a ukelele program for 4th graders and 7th/8th graders. Andrea may start a HS club since this is such a popular instrument among students right now and is relatively easy to learn. Prices were discussed, and Mike's Music will be contacted for a quote as well. There is a free online curriculum and there is some box top money left over that could possibly go toward the ukes. Ukeleles could be shared among all grades using them. Looking to get 30 for between \$800-1300. This topic will be revisited at the October meeting.

6) Forensics: Aneesa Schaefer

- Aneesa was not present, but Jennie reported that she would like to begin working with students earlier this year.

7) Fundraisers

- Poinsettias: Bobbi Jo will solicit Brenda Christensen to coordinate this. Jennie will contact her, but Andrea may have someone else in mind as well.
- Singing Telegrams: Jennie H. will coordinate and this will fall on Ash Wednesday. Andrea can take the core group of students to mass in the evening so they can miss all of the school mass and do Singing Telegrams.
- Happy Ads for theatre students: Program business ads were discussed. Cindi H. may talk to Lori H. about this. Jennie H. will talk to Kelly about covering some of the cost of the programs.
- Thank you to Lori Pierret for being a PPA representative at New Family Night! Lori volunteered and did a wonderful job speaking on behalf of the PPA.

8) Scholarship discussions tabled until February.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30.

**\*\*\*The next PPA meeting will be on Tuesday, October 17 at 5:30pm in the SMSA cafeteria.\*\*\***

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