

## Nathan Hale Friends of Music Minutes

October 5, 2011

Chorus Room B113

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

In attendance were: Jeanette Menzia, Mary Jo Martin, Leah Ivancic, Sherie Mathison, Nancy Cogan, Kris Palmer, Andy Muszytowski, Carla J. Sitz, Jan Sullivan, Lisa Jervis and Barb Suleiman.

Minutes from September 2011 were approved as written.

### **Music Director Reports:**

#### **Band – Kristi Wichihowski – not present, left notes with President to share**

- We will be discussing on 10/10/2011 with Mr. Joyal and Ms. Kolb the Music National Honor Society. This is Teacher In-Service day, so the 3 will have time to collaborate.
- Homecoming parade is scheduled for Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Parade route is Irving to Hale via Lincoln Ave.
- Homecoming game is October 14<sup>th</sup>. – Marching band will perform – show tunes from Drumline
- December 2 - Friday Pep @7:30
- December 3 – Saturday, West Allis/West Milwaukee Holiday Parade 4:30 p.m.
- December 7 – Jazz/Orch/Choir/Symphonic band concert 7 p.m.
- December 9 – Pep Band at 7:30
- Due to inclement weather, the band was not able to perform at the Brookfield East game, so the band gave a short performance in the parking lot.

#### **Orchestra – Cathy Kolb – not present, left notes with President to share**

- Cathy was questioning the busing procedures and how to go about requesting one. President Barb Suleiman stated that the Friends of Music committee will pay for 1 bus a year for each department of music per year, rest of busing will have to come out of the Orchestra budget.
- Marquette bus for November 3 event will have to come out of Orchestra budget
- Orchestra has made great progress thus far
- In process of recording pieces for concert practice
- Orchestra sold 80 Entertainment books

#### **Steven Joyal – not present, left notes with President to share**

- Concert preparation for October 24, all department concert continue
- Auditions for Chamber Choir placement will begin soon
- There has been a significant interest in a show choir at Hale – popularity of “GLEE” has helped with this interest.
- March 11, 2012, both Central and Hale have been invited to participate in the MYSO performance of sections of Ralph Vaughan Williams’ “Dona Nobis Pacem”. This will be at Elmbrook Church. Rehearsals and concert information will be forwarded to families shortly.
- Quotes will be provided for the investment of new choir folders, with options with cost in mind.
- Fundraising opportunity – “Gridders” (the old George Webbs) on 107<sup>th</sup> and Greenfield, has Monday afternoon and evenings (2pm – 10pm) where there is a reasonable profit from the proceeds for the choir programs. Please share this with everyone and a flyer was enclosed with more information. “Music Mondays” will donate 10% of our sales for the time designated to the music program. If 5 or more guests check in that day and dine on behalf of Hale or Central, the payout increases to 15%. You must register for a date for this fundraiser.
- Entertainment books were sold, a Freshman sold 14 alone
- Group discussed other fundraiser options at this point – Kohl’s, Champs, Qdoba are other options that volunteers will call an inquire about possibility and report at November meeting.

#### **Treasurer's Report – Kris Palmer**

- Balances of Savings and Checking were noted
- Open House – 2 Husky dogs, 1 faculty pass was sold
- On one volunteer sheet, a parent noted they have an organ to donate – sheet was given to Mr. Muszytowski to share with Mr. Joyal.

#### **President's Report – Barb Suleiman**

- Newsletter for December is due ASAP
- 990-N is coming up due November 15th – Kris to report back at November meeting
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Expo date has changed from December 12<sup>th</sup> to December 6<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday in Cafeteria
- Parent Directories will be available at Parent Teacher conferences thanks to the PTSA
- Thank you to Friends of Music from Mr. Muszytowski for the 2 t-shirts and 1 husky dog for the Freshman Open House
- Poinsettia's – will there be a parent responsible for the sale? Barb to email director's to inquire
- Concert help needed for October 24<sup>th</sup> Concert – Barb to email directors
- Craft Fair – Concessions, bakers, help needed posters will be made and posted at October 24<sup>th</sup> concert. Once concert is over, FOM will divide up rest of FOM families and see where we can get continued support with volunteers for this event.
- Spring Musical confirmed - -will be announced soon
- Mr. Muszytowski will confirm with secretary about the phone recordings, as a reminder to music student Parents day of concert

Other – rest of meeting was spent going through spreadsheets reviewing what purchases needed to be made for the Nathan Hale Craft Fair, sponsored by the Nathan Hale PTSA. All assignments were made for purchases and we will meet at school Friday night, for set up around 4:30pm, and then arrive at school by 7am Saturday morning for start up. This is a HUGE fundraiser for the Friends of Music and the FOM committee looks forward to a great volunteer base by our Students and Parents. Any and all volunteers are needed to make this a huge success – please see sign- up sheets at October 24<sup>th</sup> concert. We will review all at our November 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting and make final preparation notes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Next FOM meeting will be Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. – Chorus Room B113

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy J. Cogan