

Nathan Hale Friends of Music Minutes

October 13, 2010

In attendance were: Barb Suleiman, Laurie Heer, Sue Daniels, Lori Ehlke, Kris Palmer, Nancy Cogan, Barry J. Craig, Mariterese LaBissioniere, Ann Schmitz, Kristi Wicichowski, Alexis Ganos, Jean Gaska, Matt Lesar.

Meeting called to order by President Barb Suleiman at 7:05pm

Minutes from September meeting, 9/8/2010 were approved with typos corrected.

Music Director Reports:

Band – Kristi Wicichowski

- Busy with Football game preparation this week of Homecoming
- Pep assembly Friday
- Concert Monday, October 18, 2010, all are ready to go and excited.
- As the seasons change, we now move our outdoor activities to indoor activities.
- Band Website – a recent graduate along with Kristi created website. From all it looks good. Kristi will change date of Homecoming to Friday, October 15, 2010.
- Kristi asks for anyone to email her pictures from events and she will post them to the website.
- Update on Music Honor Society was discussed. The directors will discuss the following and hope to have this in place by 2nd semester. This is a National organization.
 - a. Membership levels
 - b. Qualifications
 - c. Tiers

Orchestra – Alexis Ganos

- Concert Monday – October 18, 2010, all ready to and excited
- Trip to St. Louis is in full swing and all is a go.
- Fundraising
 - a. review of cash handling requirements from meeting on September 14, 2010. Barb Suleiman will ask the Business Director to send the Music Director team about fundraising. What quantifies “General Fundraising”
 - b. Ann Schmitz, in talking to Dori Templin, asked to head up the Poinsettia sale as a fundraiser for Orchestra students. She will also work with Band and Chorus kids if they order any. Poinsettia from this sale will be used to adorn the stage for the Christmas concert.
 - c. Seroogy Candy bars are also a fundraiser – students pay \$72 and after selling all for \$1.50, would make \$36 for their account.
 - d. Kris will transfer all individual student accounts to the directors.
 - i. Alexis needs asap due to trip to St. Louis in April, 2011.
 - ii. Barry and Kristi will discuss when they need theirs and will let Kris know.

Chorus – Barry Craig

- Concert Monday – October 18, 2010, all ready to and excited. Quality of students, voices, work ethics this year is outstanding.
- New York Trip – in the discussing mode right now, 22 students so far, dates are May 27 –May 31, 2011
- starting to do Messiah prep – for 12/8/2010 concert. Each dept will do excerpts from the Messiah.
- Leadership Training went well, choir officers are working on setting goals

- Chamber Singers – 3 class A pieces after 4 rehearsals
- Musical will be “My Fair Lady” – will be put in November 17, 2010 newsletter.

Treasurer’s Report - Kris Palmer

- Entertainment book fundraiser is now finished.
- Checking account and Savings account totals were given.
- Kris will get directors Student account totals
- 50 more cases of Seroogy candy bars have been ordered – in 2009 a total of 14 cases were sold, so far in 2010, 10 cases have been sold. With the trips coming up for Orchestra and Choir, kids should be asking more and we want to be prepared.
- Kris asked for student names and backup documents for Students that attended the workshop
- Seniors who do not bequeath their account to an under classman, will have that money rolled into that account. 2009 – seniors left \$1114 in their accounts.
- Staff passes – so far 5 have been sold at a discount to staff. Matt will bring up at next staff meeting as well.
- Filing of 990-N – Kris noted November 15, 2010 is due date
- Optional fundraiser – Seroogy’s also has coffee, boxed chocolates, sent Kris samples

President’s Report – Barb Sulieman

- Building permits are up to date
- tax exempt status 5013C, since 1978 – would be \$600 for a copy.
- Question was asked about Director budgets – are buses also in their budgets like Athletics? Mr. Lesar will look into. Next bus needed is for the Marquette Field Trip. About 10 buses are used through the year across all three departments. (Parades, Honor Festival, Field trips, Joint concerts at schools are some of the needs for a bus)

- Are there any Music department highlights, notes or pictures that can be shared with the FOM website?
- All Volunteer forms should now be in to FOM
- FOM Spirit wear – no longer will have. We will have a clearance sale at the December 8, 2010 concert to move the merchandise. Will make nice Christmas gifts! FOM will still sell Husky Dogs.
- November 6 – Craft Fair update and discussion included the following:
 - a. Barb will take closet inventory on Friday, October 15, 2010
 - b. Donation solicitation from past officer – Barb will contact Lisa to see if she will be soliciting donations and if she will be making the sloppy joe’s again.
 - c. Barb will email Mike Sperka about clearing their items out of the cooler/kitchen by 11/5.
 - d. PTSA provides table cloths for the tables
 - e. Be sure to get extension cords and duct tape
 - f. Kris to call upon Caribou Coffee (150 cups total), Discount Liquor and Baker’s Square.

Next FOM meeting is November 10, 2010 at 7pm
Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy J. Cogan