

NS Music Booster Minutes  
9-26-11

Chairman Jenny Kolwey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

In attendance: Jenny Kolwey, Brian Marceau, Lori Potts, Mike McMann, Bill Kessinger, Ashley Wilson, Lisa Knous, Connie Owing, Jim Schneider, Joni Schneider, Paula Phipps, Julianne Fischer, Jana Moss, Brenda Jamison, Julie Weaver, Sheila Spickermann, Michele Wilkerson, Patti Kreiter.

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept August minutes from Jim Schneider, 2<sup>nd</sup> from Brian Marceau. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: September treasurer's report showing an overall increase of \$2835.29. Specifics of income, spending, and all fund balances may be found in the submitted Treasurer's report. Motion to accept from Julianne Fischer, seconded by Joni Schneider.

Director's Reports:

- Lori Potts: **1.** 9th grade Opus recordings sent in. Results by Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>. **2.** All State is in full swing. Send-off is Oct. 18 at 6:30 in choir room. **3.** 80 students going on choir trip. Still have room for a few more chaperones. Need to know by the end of the week. Cost for a double room - \$700. Cost for a single room - \$900. Tickets secured for Spiderman and the Philharmonic. **4.** Soy Candles are available in 2 scents, vanilla bean and apple crisp. \$20 each, with \$8 going to the student account. **5.** Metro fest is Oct. 3. Chaperones are Knoer by 3:30, Ketron for dinner, Tisha Balsia all day, Sheila Spickermann all day. Could still use a couple chaperones for all day (leave school at 1 pm) or over dinner hour starting at 5 pm. **6.** In need of one new dress for a student. Need approval to purchase. (No need for approval; it's part of the budget.) **6.** We're out of All State frames. Last time we purchased an entire box for around \$500. (See new business.) **7.** On 10/8 Mr. Skyles is taking 20 jr. & sr. high students to the Real Men Sing Festival at Wartburg. **8.** 6 students are preparing Honor Choir audition CD's for the regional honor choir in Madison, WI.
- Linda Hoppe was sick; no report.
- Mike McMann: **1.** Next Jazz Combo Jam Session – Thursday, 10/27, Mojo's, 7-9 pm. **2.** Reminder – Music Boosters may insert any info or announcements into the weekly band mailings. Just email me by 9:30 on Monday morning. **3.** Do we want meeting minutes on the booster web site? Answer was yes. Mike will post to booster site when he receives them; he will include with band e-mail on Monday week prior to monthly meeting. **4.** November jazz concert this year – Friday, November 4 with The Late Nite Blues Brothers. Will boosters help with a meal for the guest band & jazz students? (See new business.)
- Bill Kessinger: **1.** Thanks for all the help at the Band Bash. We served 60 pizzas to 200+ kids. **2.** Great turn-out at parent teacher conferences. **3.** Next home game is 10/14. James will be preparing this show. **4.** Year book pictures before 10/14 show, starting at 5:30. **5.** Uniforms to be washed after 10/14 show. **6.** Final show is 10/21. To be prepared by seniors, Halloween costumes to be worn. **7.** Chair placement lessons are under way. **8.** 26 students are auditioning for All State in Fairfield on Oct. 22. **9.** St. Ambrose History Day is again scheduled on the spring concert date. We are looking to change the concert to Sunday, March 4, 2012.
- Junior High Directors: **1.** Huge thank you to Music Boosters and HS directors for working on the Band Bash. We had around 130 students participate in this event. **2.** Our music fundraiser items will be delivered on Wednesday of this week, with monies due October 4. Thank you to Angie Carriere and Lisa Knous for helping with the money-counting! We sold over 2400 items & raised about \$14,000. **4.** 7<sup>th</sup> graders continue to progress well in their band books. I anticipate them completing it by the end of October, when we will begin work on Winter Concert music. **5.** 8<sup>th</sup> grade concert is coming up on October 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Students need to be in the band room by 6:15 so we can warm up and tune beforehand. I will need some students to stay after school that day to help set up the gym for the concert. It shouldn't take more than a half hour or so.

Old Business:

- Pizza day update – Tally night is 9/29/11.
- Simon Estes Update – a 4/26/11 date has been set, but no contract signed until the money is raised. (Cindy Wolf was not at the meeting.)

New Business:

- Discussion of additional orchestra uniforms to be ordered, per Linda Hoppe email. No vote taken as cost is within budgeted annual uniform expense.
- Lori noted that we are out of All State photo frames. John Mohr orders them by the case for us and will store them. Last order cost approximately \$500. Motion to order another box of frames was made by Connie Owings, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joni Schneider. Motion passed. Lori will get prices from John.
- Discussion was held regarding sale of walking tacos at concessions. Athletic boosters serve walking tacos with supplies purchased from Happy Joes. They earn about \$1.70 on a \$4 sale price. It is thought that we could make higher profit by purchasing our own supplies. Julie weaver will look into costs of walking taco supplies. Table until the next meeting.
- Jenny was happy to report that a \$1000 donation was given to the Boosters by McDonald's. This is an unrestricted donation. Sheila will get a thank you card out.
- The pre-concert meal on November 4<sup>th</sup> was discussed. Last year Michele Berger ordered meat from North Scott Foods. Jenny will ask her to do this again. Booster will provide meat, buns, pop, & water. Students will bring side dishes. Further discussion at next meeting.

Motion was made to adjourn by Julianne Fischer and seconded by Paula Phipps. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 7:40.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Ehrecke  
NSMB Secretary