

Nashua High School South

Music Boosters Minutes

April 10, 2012

ATTENDANCE: Carolyn Kasten, Phil Kasten, Eileen Hirsch, Ann Peters, Robin DePaolo, Gary DePaolo, Donna Demanche, Patty Brault, Christina Humber, Michael Peters, Barbara Griffey, Rosa Parsons, Kevin Boghigian, Jim Kelly, Barbara Burns

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm by Carolyn Kasten.

APPROVAL OF MARCH BOOSTER MINUTES:

Motion made by Eileen Hirsch and seconded by Gary DePaolo.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: CAROLYN KASTEN

All of the marching band uniform jacket repairs should be done in 10-14 days according to Fruhauf and then it will take another 5 days shipping time. They are suppose to be back in time for the Memorial Day parade.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: EILEEN HIRSCH

Nothing new to report. Open up to questions or comments. Several people commented that they liked the Salsa much better this year.

TREASURER'S REPORT: PATTY BRAULT & CHRISTINA HUMBER

There have been 6 bounced checks this week that they are pursuing the funds for.

Calendar raffle brought in approximately \$9,500.00 to the student accounts. All prize checks have been sent out.

Final trip payment has been mailed.

A review of the budget this year, so far, shows that we should break even.

There was a discussion to increase the line item in this year's budget for scholarships. Also, to increase the amount to 100% that the boosters pay toward all-state students. It was noted that next year we should be getting additional revenue from Nashua Plays & Sings t-shirt sales that we lost this year. Also, looking at having another yard sale, tagging, and potentially making stadium seats out of the old marching band raincoats (Kevin to give us a cost on making these). There were varying thoughts as to how much to use for scholarships this year (currently budgeted for \$2,000 – 4 \$500 scholarships). A vote was taken to determine the amount. Nobody

voted to remain at the \$2,000, nine people voted to increase to \$3,000, and six people voted to increase to \$4,000. **Motion was passed to increase the scholarship amount to \$3,000.**

Approval of March 2012 Treasurer's Report:

Motion made by Donna Demanche and seconded by Eileen Hirsch.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: ANN PETERS

Members are reminded to please tally up their hours spent volunteering for the Boosters. Please turn in to Ann at the May meeting so that we can give our total to the school for the NHSS Blue Ribbon Award.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: CAROLYN KASTEN

Reporting for Tony Courounis: On Saturday, May 12th, in conjunction with Music and Arts we will be hosting "Horns of Plenty". This is an event where various music companies will have instruments displayed to try out and purchase. Instruments will range from intermediate to professional grade. The event will be at the South Cafeteria from 9am – 12 noon. Boosters are welcome to sell concessions at the event. 6-7 chaperones are needed for the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 28th. Please e-mail Tony if you are interested.

Reporting for Sophia Santerre: All-state is this week-end. Everything is almost ready to go for the trip. Chaperone packets are being put together and most medical forms are in. Forms are also needed for over the counter meds so please get them in ASAP. The forms will be scanned electronically so that they can be easily accessible without carrying the huge nurse's book around. On May 12th the Concert Choirs from Nashua South and North will be joining the Nashua Choral Society and the Nashua Symphony on the Ripple Effect Concert at the Keefe Auditorium. Spring Concert is May 24th and tickets will go on sale after vacation. Parent volunteers are needed for ticket sales, programs, etc. May 31st is music awards night. They are working on getting the awards ordered before vacation.

By-Laws Committee (Carolyn Kasten for Bob Stepan): The following changes have been made by the committee:

1. Eliminate Dues
2. Added up to 5 additional appointed Board positions – as are needed for each given year. It is suggested that one of these be a Freshman parent who is new to the organization. This would create an Executive Board (elected positions) and then a Full Board (with added appointed positions).
3. Added an At-Large position to maintain the odd number on the Executive Board.
4. By-laws are to be reviewed bi-annually rather than annually.
5. Scholarship criteria taken out of the body and moved to an addendum. Criteria can be changed each year, but need approval of the membership.

The revised By-laws were reviewed by the membership at the meeting and the following changes were made:

1. Change on page 4, section 5C to “President or Treasurer”
2. Change on page 4, section 5C to “No one shall write a check to themselves from Booster funds without an additional signature”
3. Change on page 5, #3 – replace “The May meeting will be considered the...” with “The membership will hold an”.

Motion was made by Kevin Boghigian and seconded by Robin DePaolo to post the By-Laws as amended. Motion passed.

The updated By-laws will be posted. People can vote by sending a proxy to school, scanning the form and e-mailing it, or coming to the May meeting.

Scholarship Committee (Kevin Boghigian and Carolyn Kasten): Forms have been given to Pat Galipo in the Guidance office. The deadline to turn them in has been extended to May 18th. An e-mail will be sent to the membership advising them that the applications are now available.

Spirit Committee (Carolyn Kasten): Nothing new to report

Restaurant Fundraisers (Donna Demanche): Shorty’s is scheduled for April 17th all day and no voucher is needed. We will receive 15% of the total sales slips dropped in the basket at the front of the restaurant.

Silent Auction (Donna Demanche & Patty Brault): There will be a committee meeting before the regular meeting next month.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Sophia is retiring and the Boosters want to give her something to acknowledge this at awards night. Carolyn to look into items at Things Remembered. **Motion was made by Rosa Parsons and seconded by Eileen Hirsch to approve spending \$100 - \$150 on a gift. Motion passed.**

The Boosters are looking into getting one of the old uniforms mounted in a case for display in the band room to commemorate the purchase of new uniforms by the boosters. **Motion made by Robin DePaolo and seconded by Barbara Burns to spend up to \$1,000 on this display. Motion passed.**

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:57pm by Eileen Hirsch and seconded by Michael Peters.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Ann Peters, Secretary
Nashua High School South Music Boosters