

Nashua High School South

Music Boosters Minutes

February 5, 2013

ATTENDANCE: Carolyn Kasten, Eileen Hirsch, Ann Peters, Donna Demanche, Robin DePaolo, Gary DePaolo, Debbie Dufresne, Joanne Lake, Christina Humber, Lori Lerude, Diane Duras, Stephanie Duras, Michael Peters, Karen Martin, Mary Kelley, Barbara Burns

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm by Carolyn Kasten.

Welcome to the members in attendance.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER BOOSTER MINUTES:

One change needs to be made to add Bob Stepan to the attendance. Motion made by Lori Lerude and seconded by Gary DePaolo to approve the revised minutes.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: CAROLYN KASTEN

Santa Fund Concert recording sales were low. Thirty eight were sold and we received \$5 per unit for a profit of \$190. They are also going to record Nashua Sings and Nashua Plays. Order forms will be sent out to the music teachers.

There were 160 t-shirts pre-ordered by students for Nashua Sings. Twenty extra were ordered to sell at the concert. If all the shirts are sold, then we will make a profit of \$576.00. We will not sell flowers at Nashua Sings, but will sell bags of chocolate music notes. Volunteers are needed to serve pizza to the students before the concert and to sell tickets/other items at the concert on February 12th.

Luau party is Friday, February 22nd for music department students. Chaperones are needed, as well as donations of snacks and water.

Another Wal-Mart volunteer reimbursement for \$250 has been filed. Thank you to Diane Duras.

TREASURER'S REPORT: CHRISTINA HUMBER & ROBIN DEPAOLO

Reviewed the December and January profit & loss statements (** note – covered both since there was no meeting in January).

There was a question on final numbers for the craft fair. The answer to this will be reported next month.

A \$43 donation was received from David Lambert, which represented half of his winnings from the scratch ticket basket that he won at the Santa Fund Concert.

Approval of December 2012 and January 2013 Treasurer's Reports:

Motion made by Donna Demanche and seconded by Deb Dufresne.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: EILEEN HIRSCH

We received a letter from Market Basket approving us for tagging at four locations from 9-3 on May 4th. The question was raised for discussion as to whether or not we should book this tagging date with them. There were concerns over getting enough volunteers since the seniors are close to done and this is the day after Junior Prom, as well as an SAT test day. It was decided that we should do it and encourage the underclassmen to help fundraise since they have a trip coming up next year.

New fundraising ideas were presented. After reviewing the brochures, it was decided to bundle the cookie fundraiser (with Paula Dean cookies), tote bags, and jewelry (designed by Lia Sophia) together to sell in March.

We were approached by the Manchester Monarchs hockey team and the Silver Knights baseball team to do fundraisers. It was decided to pass on the Silver Knights since it did not do well last time. Eileen is going to review the idea of a Monarchs game with the Directors and report back.

We will sell rolls from Texas Roadhouse to be picked up right before Easter.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: ANN PETERS

Please send in your membership forms and volunteer assurance forms. It is necessary for everyone to fill out new forms each year. We currently have 74 members.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: REPORTED BY CAROLYN KASTEN for Adam Boroskas

- Nashua Sings will take place on February 12th, with rehearsals taking place during the school day. The concert will be at 7:00pm in the Nashua South Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 and can be pre-ordered or purchased at the door.
- The piano was repaired (under budget) and is starting to settle into its new environment. A huge thank you to all of the booster members for supporting this project!
- The calendar has been updated on the chorus website (<http://www.schoolrack.com/boroskas/>) and includes all of the performances for the remainder of the school year.
- As next year is slated as a trip year, the planning has begun! Once everything has been finalized, Mr. C and I will announce it as has been done in previous years.
- I have a meeting with our Principal tomorrow to finalize details for the April Vacation Cabaret project. I will be sending home information within the next two weeks detailing that project. I will also send out an email to the Boosters with details about the event. Stay tuned!

- A question? Is the board interested in the Ad book idea? If you are still, I have the forms available from Memorial including pricing information. Just let me know and I will forward them.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: REPORTED BY CAROLYN KASTEN for Tony Courounis

- Jazz All-State Festival: Adam & I would like to thank the Boosters for their support in the form of half the cost of the participation fee for the festival of our South Jazz Musicians who were fortunate to make the NHMEA Jazz All-State festival this week at Pinkerton Academy. We have students represented in all four groups this year which is a fantastic accomplishment for our talented musicians. Jazz Choir: Jordan Friedman, Madison Pineau, Taylor Morrow and Sean Fitzgerald. Honor's Choirs: Connor Vigeant. Jazz Band: Taylor Allen. Honor's Band: Brandon Duras and Michael Hirsch.
- Push-up Day: The South Music Department will be hosting our annual push-up day on Wednesday, February 20th. This will occur twice during the day. Once at 9:30am for the 5th graders of feeder elementary schools to South and again at 12:30 for the 8th graders of Fairgrounds and Elm Street.
- Empty Bowls: The annual Empty Bows event will be on Wednesday, February 20th from 6-8pm in the South Cafeteria. The Jazz Ensemble will be performing and is scheduled to report at 5:00pm for sound check and to eat dinner (free for band students). Tickets are available at the NHSS main office for \$13. Your ticket buys you a ceramic bowl and soups/chowders/etc. with bread and beverage. Proceeds go to the Soup Kitchen.
- UNH Jazz Festival: The South Jazz Ensemble will be joining the Fairgrounds MS Jazz Band at the UNH Jazz Festival on Saturday, March 9th. I am waiting for times and details from the University. A letter will be coming home soon.
- MIOSM Concert: On Wednesday, March 20th the South Music Department, in recognition of Music In Our Schools Month, will be performing a free concert featuring the Freshman Choir, Choral, Concert Choir and Concert Band. The Concert will begin at 7pm.
- Large Group Festival: Both the Concert Choir and Concert Band will be participating on Saturday, March 23rd at Bow High School. Details will follow in the form of a letter from the directors.

Spirit Committee (Robin DePaolo and Carolyn Kasten): We made \$117 from merchandise sales and donations at the Santa Fund Concert.

Item options for a Spring Spirit Order were discussed. Look for an order form to come out at the end of February.

Restaurant Fundraisers (Donna Demanche): Donna is looking at booking Pizza Hut for the early release day in March. Also, she will try to book Margarita's and Texas Roadhouse for March and April.

Concessions (Christina Humber): Nothing to report.

Yearbook (Carolyn Kasten): Orders for books and ads are due in March. Look for the form on the Booster website.

Unfinished Business: Awards night is scheduled for May 30th. Since there are some conflicts on that date, Carolyn is going to ask the Directors about moving it to another date.

Since it is not reflected in any past minutes, it was requested that the scholarship recipients for 2012 be noted here. They were Ruth Wendell, Angelina Jacques, Jessica Austin, Anna Raussa, Adam Harding, and Christina Kelly.

A question was asked about getting all of the music department photos on Flickr Pro in order for parents and students to view them. Phil is still working on this. He is trying to find a bulk image download app that will make this process easier.

New Business: A Scholarship Committee is needed. Lori Lerude, Christina Humber, Mary Kelley, Joanne Lake and Barbara Burns volunteered to be on this committee. Christina agreed to chair the committee and will put out the request to the membership for a few more volunteers.

A nominating committee is needed to facilitate nominations for a 2013-2014 NHSSMBA Board. Phil Kasten, Gary DePaolo and Michael Peters volunteered for this committee.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:55 pm by Donna Demanche and seconded by Eileen Hirsch.

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