

Nashua High School South  
Music Boosters Minutes

February 11, 2014

**Attendance:** Ann Peters, Michael Peters, Carolyn Kasten, Misty Bates, Joanne Lake, Deb Dufresne, Robin DePaolo, Donna Demanche, Sharon Kilduff, Tara Simard, Barbara Burns, Bob Stepan and Gary DePaolo.

**Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by Ann Peters.**

**Welcome to members in attendance.**

**Approval of January Booster Minutes:** No minutes to approve. At the March Booster Meeting, approval will be sought for both the January and February meeting minutes.

**President's Report: Ann Peters**

Ann thanked Donna & Keith Demanche for the Music Department Luau party! Thanks to all of those who volunteered as well. The kids had a lot of fun!

Eileen Hirsch created a design for a T-shirt for the New York trip. A sample logo was sent around to view. Ann gave a special thanks to her for her time and talents! The cost will need to be investigated. The suggestion was made to do all orders on-line. A notice should go home with a link and a deadline. If orders are done directly with the company, the orders would be packaged by student and make it much easier to distribute. There was also discussion of having a cinch bag created too. Separate companies would be used for the T-shirts and the cinch bags due to the price. The cost will be further investigated and orders would need to be in by mid-late March. It was also discussed that bags and extra t-shirts could be sold at the trip meeting on April 14<sup>th</sup>. There are currently 146 students going on the trip. The link for the t-shirts needs to get sent out ASAP.

Susan Duby resigned her position as secretary due to personal reasons. Per the by-laws, the board can appoint a person to fill in for the remainder of the year. Sharon Kilduff was voted in as the interim secretary. Ann thanked Sue for all her work on the board this year as well as for all her years as a member.

**Treasurer's Report: Robin DePaolo**

The income from Amazon was good this month. The restaurant fund raiser was from the Texas Roadhouse. A good portion of the income was from the NYC trip; however, there are a lot of past due payments this year. 25 students participated in the winter fundraiser. \$45,000 was sent to the travel company for the NYC trip which is not reflected in the treasurer's report because it

will clear in February; a total of \$65,000 has been paid out for the trip so far out of the \$106,000 total cost. Bob moved to accept the treasurer's report and Deb Dufresne seconded the motion. All present were in favor of accepting the report; there were no abstentions.

**Vice President Report: Deb Dufresne**

The winter fundraiser will be in tomorrow (February 12<sup>th</sup>) pick up time is from 2-5pm in the Band room; especially with the cookie dough. Emails were sent out, the directors announced this to their classes and Ann will be contacting those people who ordered individually to remind them to pick up their orders. Cheryl will be there to accept the delivery. Carolyn Kasten will also be there during that time. There are 35 coupon books still missing and they are trying to track them down. There is a candy bar fundraiser going on right now that the directors took on. Payment for the candy is due Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. The last fund raiser of the year is the Texas Roadhouse rolls for Easter. The proceeds will go for the uniform fund. The kick off will be March 24<sup>th</sup> and orders will be due by April 9<sup>th</sup> for a Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> pick up date prior to Easter.

**Secretary Report: Ann Peters**

No secretary report. There has been no change in the membership.

**Director's Reports: Adam Boroskas & Tony Courounis (via email)**

Push up day is scheduled for Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> during blocks 2 & 4 with Friday as the snow date. Souhegan jazz night is Friday at 7pm at Souhegan High School. The jazz band will be performing. Empty Bowls is being held on Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> (snow date, February 20<sup>th</sup>). The cost is \$15 per person. The jazz band is performing and parents of jazz band members do need to purchase a ticket. 6 students participated in Jazz All State this past weekend which was a great success. 16 students will be attending All State in April.

**Uniform Committee: Carolyn Kasten**

\$3800 has been collected so far. There were private donations made as a result of the flyer at the Santa Fund concert and there have been a few corporate donations which Ann Peters was able to collect. Thank you, Ann! Participation has been slow. A meeting needs to be scheduled. There was discussion of money from the spring concert going toward the uniform fund and also holding a tag day. We need to get permission to have flyers available at the Empty Bowls fund raiser on February 19<sup>th</sup>. There has been no ad in the paper. This may need to be a multi-year effort. The suggestion was made that the money collected so far could go to replace the tuxes that are in bad shape and work on outfitting the rest of the choir after more fund raising can be completed. A discussion also followed on "Donor's Choose" and how that might be an option to look into. Adam Boroskas would need to initiate the effort and there is paperwork and follow up required in order to get their assistance.

**By-Law Committee: Bob Stepan**

Bob asked the membership for any changes to the By-Laws. None were received. Bob recommended that we leave the By-Laws as is and revisit them biannually.

**Spirit Committee: Robin DePaolo**

There were only five orders for fall spirit wear, so with the T-shirt orders and cinch bags for the NYC trip, additional orders will not be sought at this time.

**Restaurant Fundraisers: Donna Demanche**

The Chili's restaurant fund raiser will be held February 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> during February vacation. Donna will work on the vouchers. Ann will try to get an announcement in on the Friday before February vacation. The Margarita's restaurant fundraiser is scheduled for March 26<sup>th</sup> and the Texas Roadhouse restaurant fundraiser is tentatively scheduled for April 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Yearbook Committee: Donna Demanche**

Donna has downloaded the software program. We need to request senior and senior baby pictures for the yearbook. Parents can send these through the drop box. A form with the information needs to be sent out in March, plus the shoutouts. It was agreed that shout outs for the yearbook would be offered at the ¼ page size for \$30 to keep things simple. We need to get the formal photos that were taken at the Santa Fund Concert from Phil Kasten and get the student names from Adam and Tony. We also need to request the yearbook message from Adam and Tony for the opening pages of the yearbook. The layout of the yearbook needs to be complete by the trip to NYC so that only the trip pages are left to complete upon return. The yearbook needs to be at the printer by the beginning of May so that the yearbooks are ready for distribution at the May 29<sup>th</sup> awards night. The slide show DVD will also need to be completed.

**Unfinished Business: None****New Business: Ann Peters**

Several positions on the board need to be filled. Elections will be held in April. The Nominating committee needs to be formed now and make a notice to the membership to start accepting nominations. Donna Demanche and Barbara Burns will head up the committee. Ann will put out the initial email.

Carolyn Kasten will be the chair of the scholarship committee and sent around a sign-up sheet for volunteers to assist on the committee.

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 8:40pm by Bob Stepan and seconded by Michael Peters.

Respectfully Submitted by,  
Sharon Kilduff, Interim Secretary  
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