

Nashua High School South

Music Boosters Minutes

March 6, 2012

ATTENDANCE: Carolyn Kasten, Phil Kasten, Eileen Hirsch, Ann Peters, Robin DePaolo, Gary DePaolo, Donna Demanche, Danielle Demanche, Patty Brault, Bob Stepan, Michael Peters, Barbara Griffey, Diane Duras, Stephanie Duras, Rosa Parsons, George Allen, Kevin Boghigian, Debbie Dufresne, Hailley Dufresne

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm by Carolyn Kasten.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY BOOSTER MINUTES:

Motion made by Eileen Hirsch and seconded by Robin DePaolo.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: CAROLYN KASTEN

All of the marching band uniform jackets were checked to find the ones that needed to be fixed. Approximately 85 jackets were sent back to Fruhauf for repairs. They are suppose to be back in time for the Memorial Day parade.

Approximately 48-50 Santa Fund Concert DVD/CD's were ordered for a profit of around \$300.00.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: EILEEN HIRSCH

Calendar Raffle fundraiser was completed in February. No numbers yet on that.

We are waiting on the football schedule to set a date for the Yard Sale in September.

Amazon.com portal has brought in approximately \$100 per month. Will continue to urge people to use it for their online shopping.

TREASURER'S REPORT: PATTY BRAULT

There is one more payment to make for the trip. There are still a lot of people behind on trip payments.

Ordered 80 cinch bags with special Williamsburg log for the trip. They will be sold at the trip meeting.

Approval of February 2012 Treasurer's Report:

Motion made by Donna Demanche and seconded by Robin DePaolo.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: ANN PETERS

We currently have 114 members. Members are reminded to fill out a volunteer log to keep track of their hours spent volunteering for the Boosters. Please turn in to Ann soon so that we can tally for the NHSS Blue Ribbon Award.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: CAROLYN KASTEN

Reporting for Tony Courounis: Nashua Plays (South) HS rehearsals are Wednesday 03-14 and 03-28 from 2:30 – 4:30. Large Group Festival is on Saturday, March 17th at Goffstown High School. Details went home to parents in a letter before vacation. Music in Our School's Month Concert is Wednesday, March 21st at 7:00pm. The groups performing are the Concert Choir, Chorale, Freshman Choir and Concert Band. Snow date will be Thursday, March 22nd.

Reporting for Sophia Santerre: Push-Up day was very successful. Empty Bowls went well with all three ensembles. It was very cool to put the jazz choir "in8Harmonics" with the honors jazz band for a couple of tunes. Jazz night will be April 4th at 6:30pm in the cafeteria. Mandatory trip meeting will be announced soon. 152 students and 19 adults are going to Williamsburg.

By-Laws Committee (Bob Stepan): Bob went over the updated set of By-laws created based on suggestions from the committee.

1. Eliminate Dues
2. Expanded duties and references to duties for Booster objectives. Added an objective about students.
3. Added appointed Board positions – as are needed for each given year.
4. This would create an Executive Board (elected positions) and then a Full Board (with added appointed positions).
5. Added an At-Large position to maintain the odd number on the Executive Board.
6. Standing Committees – clean out this section
7. Scholarship criteria taken out of the body and moved to an addendum. Criteria can be changed each year, but need approval of the membership.
8. By-laws to be reviewed bi-annually rather than annually.

They need to finalize the language with the committee and bring copies to the April meeting for review by the membership. The revised By-laws will then be posted for 30 days and voted on at the May meeting.

Due to the need to handle these By-law changes, it was suggested that we postpone the Booster elections until the May meeting. **Motion made by: Bob Stepan and Seconded by: Michael Peters. Motion passed.**

Scholarship Committee (Kevin Boghigian): Scholarship Committee met and revised the application. It is to be merit based, rather than need based. Since there is no financial information disclosed, the committee thought that there was no need for them to be anonymous (blind). The goal is to look at what students have done with the Boosters, in music programs, community service, jobs, activities, etc. Also, request for a transcript to be attached to the application.

Discussion followed about the need for a transcript. Some members felt that there was no need for a transcript and that it should not be relevant. Others did not agree with the idea of the applications not being anonymous. There was a vote taken regarding the transcript question. 12 members voted to go with the committee recommendation and leave it as a requirement. 6 members voted to make the transcript optional.

Spirit Committee (Carolyn Kasten): Spring order has been placed. Extra trip t-shirts have been ordered in case others want to buy them.

Restaurant Fundraisers (Donna Demanche): Red Robin is scheduled for Tuesday, March 27th from 5:00 – 7:30pm. Shorty's is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17th all day long.

Silent Auction (Patty Brault & Donna Demanche): Need about 10 people for the committee. Looking at holding it in August. Goal is to try to raise \$10,000.00. Looking at a variety of ideas such as: sending invitations, selling tickets, more entertainment, maybe a theme, etc. Need lots of donations. They will try to hold a committee meeting before the next Booster meeting.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Need to form an election committee of three people. Kevin Boghigian, Gary DePaolo, and Phil Kasten volunteered.

Discussed adding money for more scholarships. Need to look at the budget and vote on this next month based on where we currently stand.

Changed the date of the April meeting to April 10th due to Nashua Plays taking place on April 3rd. Then changed the date of the May meeting to May 8th in order to meet the posting requirements for the updated By-laws.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:50pm by Bob Stepan and seconded by Donna Demanche.

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