

Drama Boosters Meeting

September 15, 2014

In attendance: Booster Officers: President, Ilene Harmon; Vice-President, April Ozdych; Secretary, Susan Pasikowski and Coordinators: Fund Raising, Kathy Samborski; Promotions, Angie Lewis

Parents in attendance: Linda Chidoster, Cindy Murphy, Randy Miller, Kelly Bekemeyer, Shelly Larson, Stephanie Caimotto, Julie Race, Jeff Colavecchia, Crystal Hutchinson, Sandy McMillan, Colene Klaft, Karen and Mike Romolino, Patrice Walsh, Jenni Clark, Angela Lewis, Jessica Scibemas, Janice Martin, Kendall Barbieri, Pari Constan-Neary (we apologize for any mis-spelling of names).

President's Report – Ilene Harmon:

- Ilene provided a treasury report, welcome packet and budget for meeting participants
- Meetings will be the first Tuesday of every month at Jimi's Restaurant in downtown Royal Oak. Meetings begin at 7:00, dates are below:
 - October 7 & 21
 - November 4 & 11
 - December 2
 - January 6
 - February 3 & 17
 - March 3 & 17
 - April 7
 - May 5
- Please feel to contact Ilene anytime with questions her email: harmon@ssc-law.com
- Group texts: Send a text to: @profdrama – by sending a text to this, you will receive group texts.
- We always need help, please consider helping out. We ask all parents to complete the parent survey of interests and skills.
- Patrice volunteered to put together a spreadsheet with the parent's interests/skills; we can share this information with the crew heads.
- Budget – Ilene shared the information from our treasurer to get the budget approved for this year. She shared the proposed budget. Motion to approve the budget, motion seconded and approved.
- Thank you to Mrs. Lundy for volunteering to be our teacher sponsor!
- Cindy Murphy kindly volunteered to audit our books for the past two years, thank you Cindy!
- Regarding pizza sales, we are currently on probation because the kids are not throwing the trash away. Thanks to Karen Romolino for picking up the pizzas each Wednesday, greatly appreciated!

Director's Report – Ed Nahhat

- Ed provided information about the “contract/agreement” for the students to commit to. This will be given to all students (cast and crew) to sign and return. This form

communicates we will be taking photographs of the kids and they will be used in social media (website and program).

- Master schedule is on the school's website, unfortunately, it isn't always the most up to date, and we will try to give you the most up to date information regarding our show on the drama club website.

Fundraising – Kathy Samborski

- Potbelly Fundraiser, November 7, 5:30 to 8:30 and then the parents go to the theater to finalize sets and then go out after.
- November 1, is the first Tag Day – students should wear some sort of a costume (Oklahoma garments preferred i.e. flannel shirt, cowboy hat, etc.) to promote the show.
- Business cards will be handed out during Tag Days – if they bring the card in to the show, they'll get a free treat at the concession stand. This will help us to track how the business cards are working for us. We need kids to sign up for the shifts, prefer to have 4 people per session and a sign up will be on Sign Up Genius, so watch for more information soon. Kids who volunteer they get a free t-shirt – parents too.
- A suggestion was made to consider doing Tag Days on a Sunday so kids at Super Saturday can volunteer. This will be looked into.
- If we can get more kids to volunteer, they could potentially do more tag days.
- We will continue to do the Wednesday Pizza Sales – Karen Romolino will continue to coordinate to pick up the pizzas – again, thank you Karen!
- NOTE: Kids who do 3 pizza sales will also get a free t-shirt!
- A suggestion was made to keep a sign-up sheet in the cashbox to keep track of who worked the pizza sales.
- April Ozdych will order the business cards and Mrs. Lundy will order the tickets. Pari Constan-Neary volunteered to coordinate the ticket sales. Thank you Pari!

Publicity

- Lawn signs will be ordered again. Ilene will text Lisa Lynch to find out information to order the lawn signs.
- The kids have a contest to create the logo design for the show's t-shirt. Please encourage your child to submit a design.
- Scott Brown (previously the publicity chair) provided a packet of information regarding what he did for last year for us to use. Ilene will work with the head of publicity to share this information.

Teacher Sponsor Report

- Mrs. Lundy checked into getting a locked box outside her room for students to put things in for drama club. Things like money for the Shields' cast party and end of year banquet.
- Mrs. Lundy received the balance of the student activity fund. The fund is used to pay certain expenses for the show. The director, assistant director and teacher sponsor fees should come from the school's budget, not the activity fund. As of August 21, 2014, there was a balance of \$2460.73 in the activity fund. A wire transfer of \$6,633.30 was made to pay the director fees and teacher sponsor fees in April. Ed e-mailed the school to find out what's going on and how to credit these funds back.

- ROHS PTSA Holiday Arts and Crafts Marketplace November 22. This is the Saturday after the show, so the likelihood of getting kids is low. We decided to pass on this opportunity to host a table.

New Business:

- Please tell students to text to this number 810.250.7933

In the message put:

For Cast type @473F0

For Crew type @9d994

- This Saturday is the first Super Saturday – there is a Pancake Breakfast and a Drive a Ford event and the funds go to the band and orchestra this time. Please stop by and show your support!
- This Sunday is the Royal Oak Hall of Fame induction, and our own Ed Nahhat is being inducted at 2:00 pm.
- If anyone has anything that should be on the website, Kevin Walsh is currently updating this for us, please let us know so we can get it up there.
- Parents are welcome to be at rehearsals to help out in keeping the kids under control.
- A question was raised regarding what we spend our money on.
 - Ed is paid by the school, sometimes he will come to the Boosters to request additional funds to help pay part of the fee for the assistant directors.
 - Our role in raising funds is to help provide learning opportunities for the kids and to help them do things for the show.
 - Students that can't afford to attend the banquet, or a class, we cover that. A suggestion was made to have any student that can't afford it could put a note in the lock box to request help.
 - Money that is raised by the boosters such as pizza sales, tag days, etc.
 - Ticket sales go to the school fund. Out of this fund (activity fund) they pay for show royalties, costumes, etc.

Meetings for the Booster Club – Reminder: Meetings will now be on the first Tuesday of the month at Jimi's unless otherwise communicated.

- Next meeting: October 7 at 7:00 pm at Jimi's Restaurant in downtown Royal Oak.

Adjourn Thank you all for coming!