

Drama Boosters Meeting November 4, 2014

In attendance: Booster Officers: President, Ilene Harmon; Vice-President, April Ozdych; Secretary, Susan Pasikowski; Treasurer, Laura Colavecchia and Coordinators: Fund Raising, Kathy Samborski

Parents in attendance: Scott Brown, Angi Lewis, Jenni Clark, Bonnie Bem, Heidi Esbri, Patrice Walsh, Kendall Barbieri, and Pari Constan-Neary

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – motioned and so approved

President's Report – Ilene Harmon:

- Additional funds needed for microphones – email vote of the board members – made a decision to purchase additional body microphone. The school activity fund will pay \$2000, Optimist Club paid \$1500, and Drama Boosters paid \$1500 and increased by another \$949.27 to get the amount of microphones needed.

Treasurer's Report – Laura Colavecchia

- Laura shared the financials; please see the attached spreadsheets for specific details.
- Current balance in the account after the latest activity is \$5,252.20 (once all is said and done, funds reimbursed etc.).
- Need a reimbursement from the activity fund for the microphones.

Fundraising – Kathy Samborski

- Tag Day: November 1 – We had a total of 10 students volunteer – thank you! Collected \$570.38
- Kathy is working on finding some hampers for the raffle at each of the shows.
- We have a few items already to add to the raffle hampers, please check out Sign Up Genius to donate items.
- 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.

Publicity

- Parent dedications are being organized and most of the bios have been received, still waiting for one more.
- Lawn signs will be set out this weekend around town. Ilene will send out the list this week to the parents to sign up for a corner to place a sign. Watch your email for more information on this important marketing opportunity for our show.

Director's Report – Ed Nahhat

- It's going really well, Ed equated the show to putting together a Rubik's cube, and it all comes together at the end.

- This week finalizing the scenes.
- A “kiss choreographer” will be coming in to assist with the 3 kissing scenes.
- Calendar on the website is accurate, and
- Orchestra will be in for an “orchestra/singer” rehearsal
- Thursday, there will be a full practice with props and scene changes
- Sound crew will be implemented sound on Thursday as well – new microphones are in and may be available for Thursday’s rehearsal.
- Monday’s Tech Dinner will be in the hallway due to other events at the school in the cafeteria
- Friday night is Parent Tech Night, show up at the school after Potbelly Fundraiser
- Tech week is a tough week; students are not given a “pass” to not do homework or study. The students should be responsible and this is an opportunity for them to learn effective time management. Students were talking with teachers asking to be “given a pass” from doing assignments during the tech week. This is not the case; they need to do their homework and assignments.
- A solution was discussed for future musicals to have long days Tuesday & Thursday to do music, dance and blocking and keep the long days on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. This may help to alleviate kids being at school all day long so they can get a better meal for dinner and do homework. Next year we can look at schedules to try to create a more manageable time frame for rehearsals, homework, meals, etc. This will be discussed prior to next year’s musical.

Teacher Sponsor Report

Mrs. Lundy sent in her report:

- Mrs. Lundy is at a Master’s Class on Tuesdays so she emails her report.
- Administration approved the bagel sales versus the pizza sales. Waiting to hear back to see if we can offer cream cheese and/or butter.
- Request from students to get a steamer – motion to purchase one for the drama club, motion seconded and all were in favor. Jenni Clark will look online for a professional grade steamer.
- Additional request regarding dry cleaning of costumes borrowed from other schools. A suggestion was made to talk with the drycleaners close by and offer a free ad in the program if they dry clean our costumes. Ilene will look into this.
- Lock box was purchased and given to Mrs. Lundy, not sure if it is available yet. There are envelopes available for students to put their money for Shields Pizza, Friday night after the show (\$15).

Old Business:

- Cindy Murphy will review the books for the last two years. Cindy was not here this evening to report on progress.
- Business cards – Done!
- Headshots and biographies almost complete
- Lockbox for Mrs. Lundy’s room – arrived and gave to Mrs. Lundy.
- Video Agreement – We are all set
- Baskets – still need for the raffle, they will check out the dollar store

- Parties – Friday night at Shield’s Pizza, Saturday night at someone’s house. Kendall Barbieri will be hosting the party. A suggestion was made for a taco bar or walking tacos. Kendall will send out an email regarding the party.
- Graduation sign fundraiser – nothing on this yet.

New Business:

- We don’t have the cafeteria Monday, so we’ll need something simple as the food will be in the hallway.
 - What days/dates are we doing dinners (and lunch on Saturday)? Monday through Wednesday and yes, lunch this Saturday.
- Pari will be at Super Saturday to sell tickets – please stop by and get yours if you haven’t yet! Mr. VanCamp will be sending out an email (if he hasn’t already) to the teachers to get their tickets, so far only 2 teachers have requested tickets. Ilene fill follow-up on the tickets.

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

- Next/Show meeting: There will be an additional meeting just before the show Tuesday, November 11 at 7:00 at the high school.

Adjourn Thank you all for coming!