



Meeting Minutes
Tuesday March 8th 7:00 pm

President Eric Bloom called the meeting to order at 7 pm and offered to entertain the group with piano melodies as we were meeting in the choir room.

Treasurer's Report: Cindy Case: There were deposits of \$16,275. \$10,440 was from craft show, and \$4,600 from the sub sale. The expenses this month were for the subs, the initial basket order, signs for the craft show, and indoor expenses.

Financial Secretary's Report: Crystal Richard: The sub sale proceeds have been credited into the student accounts. Crystal will check on the Keystone Chorus as there has been some confusion with this.

Recording Secretary's Report: Laurie Kissinger: The minutes are posted on the website within a week of the meeting. The minutes were approved by Cathy Sangillo, and seconded by Monica Riddle. They were approved by a unanimous vote.

Vice President's Report: Diane Baker: No report.

Student Officer's Report: Josh Richard and Dan Budd: The Thoroughly Modern officers came appropriately dressed in musical garb. They reported that the Winter Concert went well. The Jazz Band Valentine's Day Dance was a lot of fun, with lots of good food. There were 8-9 members of the band that made District Band, and Andy Bayer made it to Regional's. County Band was a lot of fun, especially getting the day off school to rehearse. The musical was last weekend, and the students felt it was one of the better musicals. They talked about upcoming events which include Jazz I traveling to Philadelphia for the Essentially Ellington seminar, District Jazz which 4 members of the band will be participating, and the Jazz/Orchestra Pops Concert.

Band Director's Report: Mr. Ceresini: He gave an update on Mr. Masters's injury, and put to rest some of the rumors about his condition. During a musical rehearsal Mr. Masters got hit in the head with an 8 pound clamp that came loose. He did have to get stitches, and was diagnosed with a concussion. He has been out of school for 3 weeks. A skype account was set up so that he could watch/direct the show from his home. He is doing well and is on the mend. There was a lot of help given by students and parents in Mr. Masters's absence.

The Band awards applications are available on line, and Mr. C. will also be handing them out to the seniors. He encourages all seniors to apply.

The Boosters helped to purchase a sound system which the indoor groups and Jazz groups have begun to use. The choir is helping to pay for this system. \$5,000 has been moved from the wish list to the Indoor program. There were more expenses this year than anticipated.

Recaps: The Winter Concert was a very nice performance, and came in at 1 hour and 3 minutes! District Band was held in Chambersburg and the students did well with the "insanely hard" music. County Band had 29 of our students participating, and was one of the best sounding concerts that Mr. C. has heard. The Indoor Program is up and running with 5 groups competing and approximately 110 students participating. There was a parents meeting about Wildwood with a lot of questions answered about the trip. Mr. Ceresini is more than willing to listen to any concerns or suggestions about costs of this trip. He confirmed that there is no Indoor show being added to the schedule on April 2nd as that is the day of the craft show.

The District bought the band 2 Marching Baritones which was a surprise, since he had requested them 3 years ago!

Old Business:

Scrip: We continue to request that someone take over this program next year, as the coordinator is “graduating”. It is very easy to manage with the online capability, and Weber Vision Care could still be the distribution center for pickup.

Arooga’s: We made \$415 donation that night, and Eric thanked Joanne Baylor for putting this together. 80% of the restaurant patrons that night were RamBand supporters. There were reports of band families at the Linglestown Road location also. Arooga’s is also donating 4 cases of water for use at the craft show.

R & K Sub sale: We made a \$2100 profit from this sale, thanks to Cindy Rittle for coordinating.

Basket Sale: The initial order sold out already, and another shipment has just arrived. Orders seem to be coming in mostly on an individual basis; Eric reminded the group that selling the baskets is an excellent way to add money to your student account. We will have flyers available at the Navy Band Concert, as well as a table at the craft show.

Navy Band: We have distributed all of the 1400 tickets that we printed, and Diane has more requests on her desk. There will be 3 Navy Musicians coming during the day to present a Master Class for the concert band students. We have offered to feed the 60 musicians a home cooked meal before the concert, and are looking for help from parents to get this put together.

Hershey Bears Game: We sold 60 seats for the game on the 20th, and everyone will be sitting together in a section in the lower level. It should be a fun night!

Craft Show: Mr. C. was happy to report to Roger that the tarps were delivered last week from the district, so we will not have a repeat of last year when set up was delayed due to not having tarps to cover the gym floor. If you signed up for set-up crew on Friday night, please bring large measuring tapes. Judy reports that the crafter spots are all sold out (189 crafters), and we have approximately 40% new crafters this year. We still need a lot of volunteers to sign up on Charms for Saturday. Diane reported that the major areas are covered with sign placement volunteers. Feel free to take some signs to place around your neighborhood. Please put out the signs between March 12-19th as long as the weather cooperates. We also need people to take posters to put in churches, offices, and stores.

Indoorama: We currently have 43 groups signed up. The schedule will not be finalized until a day or two before the show due to changes, additions. We need all parents to volunteer for this event to make it a success! We know you want to see your kids perform, but we really need all hands helping that day. There may be an encore performance by our Indoor groups at the end of the show if time allows.

SKH-This date is set for May 21.

Knoebels: This date is also May 21. The Traynor Loser families have agreed to handle the food prep for the picnic.

Band Banquet: Gail reported there will be a meeting next week to finalize the menu. It will most likely be an Italian or Tex-Mex theme. The DJ is lined up. We are still looking for input from senior parents.

Golf-a-Rama: The date is set for Friday, June 17th at Deer Valley golf course. Doug DeFazio is working on a lot of exciting stuff for this event.

Trip Committee: Mr. Miller (and Mrs. Johnson) said the destination looks ok to them. Joanne is looking at 3 different schedules. She spoke to a Band Director in Connecticut who took 180 people on this trip and he reported it was one of the best trips they have ever taken.

Legends of Music: There will be an organizational meeting scheduled for this event next month.

New Business:

GTP and HERCO: Barbie Warfield agreed to coordinate this program again. Shifts should be appearing soon.

BandaRama: The date of Sept. 17th will not work, that is going to be the night of the Homecoming Dance. Mr. C. is now working on securing the date of Sept. 24th.

Update on Class of 2011: Josh Richard and Kevin Riddle will be attending PSU Main Campus; Margaret Bloom will be joining her brother at WVU. Several other seniors are still making decisions at this time.

Help wanted for Next year: We are looking for people to help with the following positions...Scrip Coordinator, Photographer, RamaGram editor, and Craft show coordinator.

2011-2012 Officers: The election will be next month. At this time the following people have expressed interest...Diane Baker (president), Cathy Sangillo (vice president), Ryan&Maki Traynor (financial secretary). If any other people are interested in these positions, please let Eric or Mr. Ceresini know.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm

Next Meeting will be Tuesday April 5, 2011 at 7:00pm

Submitted by

Laurie Kissinger, Recording Secretary