

# Vocal Music Booster Meeting

December 5, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President, Mike Kurriger at 6:30 p.m. 10 parents and Mr. Ryan attended.

The Secretary Report was read and approved.

Treasurer's Report was given by Darcy Petersen. There is \$9,684.91 in unrestricted funds. A copy of the report is attached. Choir trip incentive amounts were given to Mr. Ryan to be put into his Activity Account. Darcy is making a form that will need to be completed for any reimbursements for invitational bills or other approved expenses. This will help Darcy know which line item the bills should be deducted from. No reimbursements will be distributed without a completed form. Treasurer's report was approved.

## Old Business:

- Choir Trip – payments are rolling in. Only 2 empty seats at this time. There is a family that came to Mr. Ryan that they had some unexpected expenses come up and needed to delay a payment. Mr. Ryan thinks his Activity account will cover trip payment to company despite this delay of payment. He will let the board know if he's running short of funds to cover payment to the travel company.
- Jazz Choirs are sounding good.

## Director's Report:

- Mr. Ryan posed a question on what help may be available to students who can't pay the show choir fee. Karen Stern will check with the Kid's First Fund to see if they would help fees for needy students. Sue Krueger suggested using the unspent senior incentive accounts to build a fund for these students instead of assisting with summer camps.
- Clinicians will be coming January 11<sup>th</sup> to work with RCR on vocals and choreography.
- Ben Ekland will be judging at our invitational and plans to stay through the weekend and attend the Monday rehearsal following to tweak any choreography after the critic we receive at River City Showcase.

## New Business:

- Invitational – Next committee meeting is January 6<sup>th</sup>. It was recommended that meetings be held on a day that Mr. Ryan can attend as his input is often needed.
- Overnight trip for RCR –
  - Hotel reservations need to be arranged for RCR's competition in Missouri. Rebecca Schultz will assist Mr. Ryan in making the hotel arrangements. It was suggested that parents who are the designated chaperones and those who drive the van/trailer should have their rooms paid for. Other parents who ride the bus and any Encore! students would need to pay for their hotel rooms.
  - It was recommended to have a student list for bus chaperones be able to take attendance on all competitions. This is for student safety and make sure no one gets left behind.
  - Karen Stern will review past emails from Roxanne Johnson about arranging needed chaperones for home room, etc. when traveling to show choir competitions.
- Last year's costumes – The letter jackets/sweaters from last year's RCR show have not been sold. It was suggested to sell these to any students who want them at \$20 each. Mr. Ryan will get word out to graduating students. Those who wore the coats/sweaters will get first choice to buy.
- Donation of water bottles – as in previous years each show choir student will be asked to provide one case of bottled water or \$5. This donation will provide water for the students at competitions. Mr. Ryan will send an email requesting this donation.
- Holiday Stroll – 2 Jazz and show choir students will perform at Central State Bank from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- Upcoming vocal concert – Concert is Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. Partnership forms will be at the ticket tables if anyone wants to become a Vocal Music Partner. All concert choirs and Jazz choirs will be

performing. Mr. Ryan will be sending an email asking for volunteers to take tickets and provide room chaperones.

- Show Choir Reveal show – Parent preview for RCR will be on Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Ryan states he realizes this is finals week so there will only be a one-hour practice prior to the preview show. Encore! will have its parent preview on January 16<sup>th</sup>.

Motion to adjourn at 7:28 by Rebecca Schultz, second by Gail Ryan

Next Vocal Music Booster meeting will be January 9, 2014 at 6:30 pm in the MHS Choir Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Krueger  
Secretary