

STMAA BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 4, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by the President Jon Reinke at 7:15pm at STHS Library. In attendance were Jon Reinke, Elizabeth Heyenga, Coleen Bolton, Julie Bounds, Mike Murphy and Richard Pettit.

Minutes

The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and no changes were made. Elizabeth made a motion and Mike seconded to approve the minutes for posting.

Committee Reports

Band director's report: Julie reported the banquet well, as did the festival at Andrew Hill H.S. CMEA was a raging success, her first using the volunteer hub as it is great and will use it for future use. It would be nice if there was a space for 'notes' or 'comments' section. This weekend is the Campana festival; she is still waiting to hear about the charter bus. There is a possibility of playing the national anthem at a Giants game; however we must sell 350 tickets. There is some concern of the liability of selling tickets and if we can sell that many.

She will be given 3 weeks' notice from the construction company to move out of the band room into the new music room.

President's report: Jon made the motion with Coleen seconded, to reimburse a band family that rebuilt the wardrobe carts. The cost is around \$300. Also, it was announced that Julie received the Gilbert T. Freitas Annual Memorial Award for achievement in music education for an emerging music educator with 7 or fewer years of teaching experience.

Fundraising: We need someone to organize monthly dinners at local restaurants. Jon thinks we need a separate fundraising meeting for anyone who's interested in fundraising. It was discussed that the first meeting will be on Feb. 27 at 6:30, and someone will get a flyer to Herman and Bernal parents.

Historian: Mike has a tape of the Independence show and will get it to Jon.

Volunteer Hub: Julie loves it, with everyone's contact information and very user friendly. We need to budget funds to maintain the site monthly.

Treasurer's report: Basically no change, although he collected \$1100 at the banquet. The banquet was held under budget. He is going out of town from Feb. 11-23. Julie mentioned she will start working on the budget for next year to be able to present to the board in May.

New Business

Plans/Suggestions: There is no addition to the calendar, per Julie. Jon suggested possibilities of a spaghetti feed, ice cream social, pancake breakfast, silent auction, all possible fundraisers. It was

suggested to try and broaden out to more parents who generally do not participate. Jon noted that we need to decide either to grow and expand the program, or not, depending on the financial ability of the band families. He does not want to see kids leave that would most benefit.

Recruitment ideas: Julie is going to generate a mailing list to Jon with incoming freshman, with the suggestion we send a letter welcoming families. Jon will look into having a "Sweet Retreat" social, maybe have this at the May meeting, which we still need a location for. There was a suggestion to use the local Community center for our meeting. Jon will try and contact Forrest Williams to see if he can pull some strings to get the fee waived for our use.

Yearbook: There was a meeting held earlier today, with more meetings to follow.

Carnival: Jon mentioned that STOPS is canceling the community festival aspect of our carnival, as the vendors had too many requirements that STOPS cannot meet. It was becoming difficult to organize. Mike mentioned he will help Jon working on the carnival.

Old Business

Book of STMAA: Keith has put our board files on-line with the ability of anyone can make changes as needed. This will allow board members to alter the job descriptions as appropriate. The old e-mails have been archived.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm

Respectfully submitted,

Coleen Bolton, Secretary