

Nashua High School South  
Music Boosters Minutes

April 2, 2013

**ATTENDANCE:** Carolyn Kasten, Eileen Hirsch, Ann Peters, Robin DePaolo, Gary DePaolo, Debbie Dufresne, Christina Humber, Lori Lerude, Donna Demanche, Diane Duras, Barbara Griffey, George Allen, Joanne Lake

**Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm by Carolyn Kasten.**

**Welcome to the members in attendance.**

**APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY BOOSTER MINUTES:**

Motion made by Lori Lerude and seconded by Eileen Hirsch to approve the March minutes.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT: CAROLYN KASTEN**

The Nashua Plays shirts are here. Volunteers are needed to deliver them to each of the elementary and middle schools. Lori Lerude volunteered to deliver any of those not taken by others at the meeting. Volunteers are needed on April 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm until 7:30 pm to sell tickets, shirts and chocolates before the concert.

**TREASURER'S REPORT: CHRISTINA HUMBER & ROBIN DEPAOLO**

Reviewed the March profit & loss statement. The check written for All-Eastern still has not been cashed.

The question was raised as to whether we need to continue with the \$30 monthly PayPal fee required to use our computers as a pay terminal. It was very useful at the Silent Auction, but no need is seen for it in the future at this point. Since it is not needed at this point, Carolyn will cancel it.

**Approval of the March 2013 Treasurer's Report:**

Motion made by Eileen Hirsch and seconded by Diane Duras.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT: ADAM BOROSKAS**

- Things are going great! Concert Choir auditions are done and there will be 48 in the group next year, compared to 36 this year.
- Freshman numbers are up for next years Choir.
- Large Group went very well. Thanks to Mrs. Minch for her accompaniment.
- On May 17<sup>th</sup> Nashua South will be hosting the Chills and Trills Music Festival for middle school and elementary school choirs and bands. We have no involvement other than being the host facility. The school will get \$2,000 for hosting the event. We can make food available to participants if we want to do some fundraising that day.

- Plans are underway for the music trip next year. Sophia Santerre is our trip planner working with Adam on the details. The trip will be announced before the end of the school year.
- A minimum of 10 new gowns will be needed next year to accommodate the larger Concert Choir group. Also new tuxedos need to be purchased for all 24 of the boys. Our current tuxedos are in terrible shape and we do not have enough of them. Eventually Adam would like to see all Choral students in similar attire.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT: REPORTED BY CAROLYN KASTEN for Tony Courounis**

1) I would like to thank all of the parents who made the trip up to Bow High School to support their children at the Large Group Festival a few weeks ago!

2) Reminder that we will be hosting the Nashua Plays Festival next Tuesday, April 9th here at Nashua HS South. If you would like to attend, tickets are \$5.00 for general admission and the concert begins at 7pm.

3) Also, next Thursday, April 11-Saturday, April 13 the NH All-State Festival will be taking place. I would like to thank the Boosters for donating half of our student's registration fees for this wonderful opportunity! Joshua Utterback will be representing Nashua South on Bass Clarinet playing in the All-State Band!

4) On Wednesday, April 17th the Nashua South Music Department will be performing our Jazz Night in the South Cafeteria. This is a free event and will feature the Nashua South Jazz Choir, South Jazz Band and will feature our special guest group, the Fairgrounds Middle School Jazz Band under the direction of Tom Souza.

Thank you as always for your continued support of the South Music Department. Hope to see you at the April events!

### **VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: EILEEN HIRSCH**

- The spring fundraiser brought in approximately \$4,000.
- Only 3 students participated in the Texas Roadhouse rolls fundraiser this time.
- Tagging is still on hold – it will depend on how many people have signed up. We need to fill the slots in order to make it successful.
- Since next year is a trip year, the question was raised as to whether or not to do a Yard Sale fundraiser. The group decided that we should and Donna Demanche volunteered to chair the committee. They will look at possible dates once the sports schedules are published. Potential date of 9-21 or 9-28?
- Frozen food pick up for the spring fundraiser will be on 4-18 from 2:00pm to 6:00pm in the band room.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT: ANN PETERS**

Please send in your membership forms and volunteer assurance forms. It is necessary for everyone to fill out new forms each year. We currently have 74 members.

**Spirit Committee (Robin DePaolo and Carolyn Kasten):** The Nashua Plays shirts are in. They will be delivered this week.

**Restaurant Fundraisers (Donna Demanche):** Longhorn will be on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> all day. A voucher can be printed from the Booster website. Trying to set up Margarita's in May.

**Yearbook (Carolyn Kasten):** Eileen and Carolyn are working on it. The deadline has passed for shout outs in the back, but if you have one you can still submit it ASAP.

**Nominating Committee (Gary DePaolo, Phil Kasten, and Michael Peters):** The only nominations received so far are for Christina Humber and Robin DePaolo as treasurer. A vote is necessary to postpone the elections until May in order to get more candidates.

A motion was made by Robin DePaolo and seconded by Deb Dufresne to postpone the elections until the May meeting. **Motion passed with a unanimous vote.**

**Scholarship Committee (Christina Humber):** The committee met via e-mail to tweak the form a little from last year. Thank you to all of the committee members for their input. The forms will be due May 3<sup>rd</sup>. There was some discussion among the membership about the pros and cons of the word limit on two of the questions.

The question was raised as to how many scholarships will be offered this year. Whatever amount is committed will need to become part of the 2013-14 Budget to pay out next year.

A motion was made by Lori Lerude and seconded by Eileen Hirsch to give out a minimum of four \$500 scholarships, with the potential for up to six if there are enough qualified candidates. **Motion passed with a vote of 13 in favor and 1 opposed with no abstentions.**

#### **Unfinished Business:**

None

#### **New Business:**

Christina Humber raised the question as to whether the Boosters could purchase a scanner/printer for her co-treasurer to use in order to facilitate the treasurer responsibilities and communicate with one another regarding transactions.

A motion was made by Donna Demanche and seconded by Deb Dufresne to approve up to \$150 for this purchase. **Motion passed with a unanimous vote.**

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 9:00 pm by Joanne Lake and seconded by Eileen Hirsch.

Respectfully Submitted by,  
Ann Peters, Secretary  
Nashua High School South Music Boosters