# Nashua High School South

## **Music Boosters Minutes**

# June 5, 2012

**ATTENDANCE:** Carolyn Kasten, Phil Kasten, Eileen Hirsch, Ann Peters, Robin DePaolo, Gary DePaolo, Donna Demanche, Patty Brault, Michael Peters, Barbara Griffey, Jim Kelly, Stephanie Duras, Diane Duras, Deb Dufresne, Joanne Lake, Hailley Dufresne, Karen Martin, Sue Duby, Barbara Burns

#### Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm by Carolyn Kasten.

#### **APPROVAL OF MAY BOOSTER MINUTES:**

Motion made by Eileen Hirsch and seconded by Barbara Griffey.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT: CAROLYN KASTEN

The 85 Jackets were received back from Fruhauf. The fronts are excellent and are a major improvement over what was sent back to them. However, there is still a problem with the sleeves. They are not folded or mitered at the point so they don't match the other 70 jackets that were not returned. We need to decide if this is all right, or not?? Since there is a pucker caused by this, a suggestion was made to look at hiring somebody locally to tack them down. Carolyn is going to look at them at the cleaners to see if this is even an option and see if they can give us an estimate on doing this work while the jackets are being cleaned. We would then deduct this cost from the final bill owed to Fruhauf. Further investigation will be made on this. The idea of packing up all of these jackets and sending them back for a second time is not something that we want to spend the time doing. We also would not have them back in time for football season.

Gifts were given at awards night. The case with the old NHS uniform in it was mistakenly made with regular glass rather than plexiglass. The company will replace it with plexiglass at no charge if it gets broken. The final cost for the case was \$800. A photo frame filled with pictures was given to Mrs. Santerre as a retirement gift (final cost \$150).

We need to approve expenditures for the summer since the new budget is not approved until the fall. A motion was made by Robin DePaolo and seconded by Michael Peters to approve \$1,100 for summer expenditures. Motion passed.

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

Please remember to use the Amazon Portal on our website for any summer shopping.

Look for the Yankee Candle Fundraiser to come home right after school starts.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT: PATTY BRAULT**

Not too much activity. The income for DVD's & CD's was from the sale of Santa Fund Concert recordings.

The balance in our account after paying the balance to Fruhauf will be approximately \$23,322.57.

#### Approval of May 2012 Treasurer's Report:

Motion made by Eileen Hirsch and seconded by Gary DePaolo.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT: ANN PETERS

Two thank you notes were read out loud to the membership. One was a thank you from Christina Kelly to the Boosters, expressing gratitude for being a recipient of one of the scholarships this year. The other was a thank you note from Carol Hartman expressing her excitement over being a winner of the calendar raffle. She especially appreciated the thoughtful letter that came with her winning check.

### DIRECTOR'S REPORT: CAROLYN KASTEN

Reporting for Sophia Santerre: "I can't thank you enough for all you have done over the past 14 years. The Nashua South Music Booster group is one of the most supportive parent organizations with which I have had the pleasure of working. Your unending work and dedication to the Nashua South Music Department has never gone un-noticed and the organization is a force that one should not recon with! I also thank you so much for the beautiful digital frame – I started uploading photos this past weekend. As I said to Carolyn the other night, I have been trying to decide what to do with the countless photos I have accumulated over the years – we have no storage at our home in York. Now I can store so many photos and take up virtually no space at all. Thank you again so much!"

Reporting for Tony Courounis: 1. Packets should go out soon for the Band students. The first rehearsals are on Tuesday, July  $31^{st}$  and Wednesday, August  $1^{st}$ . Band camp is the week of August  $20^{th}$  – August  $24^{th}$ . 2. Graduation is on Sunday, June  $17^{th}$ . The Band students are meeting at South at 12:45pm (graduation is at 3:00). The students should eat lunch before they arrive and we should be back to South between 5:45 and 6:15, maybe sooner. 3. "I would like to thank everyone for their tireless efforts; not only regarding the New Uniforms, but for everything you all do throughout the year!!"

**Spirit Committee (Robin DePaolo and Carolyn Kasten):** Optional drill t-shirt order form will be in the packet coming home soon. The shirt will be 3 colors like last year. Carolyn is going to see Jerry at Red Brick to talk about fall items. Suggestions made were for stadium blankets and flash drives.

**Restaurant Fundraisers (Donna Demanche):** Chili's was on May 30<sup>th</sup>. Donna suggested that the students create a student run music department Facebook page in order to get the information

about these and other events out to the students more effectively. Hailley Dufresne is going to set this up.

Silent Auction (Patty Brault & Donna Demanche): The next meeting will be before the August Booster meeting. They will handle by e-mail over the summer.

**Yearbook (Carolyn Kasten):** There are only 20 yearbooks left. Profit from sales so far is approximately \$700. The contract renewal was signed for a better price (\$19.64 per book) than we have now, due to the five year non-binding agreement. A deposit is needed by September of each year.

**Unfinished Business:** There are approximately 70 of the old NHS Band uniforms left after making tote bags and pillows. A suggestion was made to look into using this material to make lap quilts to raffle off or sell. Barbara Griffey and Barbara Burns will look into the idea and get back to us.

There was a discussion about uploading all of the photos taken at events each year. Members would have access to them to find pictures that they want. More information to follow on this.

**New Business:** Ann Peters passed around a Craft Fair Committee sign up sheet. We will plan to meet this summer to get things started.

Joanne Lake suggested a Dinner Cruise, out of Boston or Portsmouth, as a music department field trip next year. We could sell tickets for the event. She will look into this and report back to the group.

On behalf of the Boosters, Carolyn expressed gratitude to Patty Brault and Kevin Boghigian for their service on the Board and presented them each with a plant. They will definitely be missed.

A suggestion was made to invite the new principal of NHSS to our September meeting.

Our first meeting for the 2012-2013 school year will be on Thursday August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:15 pm. After that the meetings will take place on the first Tuesday of each month.

Band Camp movie night will be on Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> and the BBQ will be on Friday, August 24<sup>th</sup>. More information to follow.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:32 pm by Michael Peters and seconded by Eileen Hirsch.