

Nashua High School South
Music Boosters Minutes

March 5, 2013

ATTENDANCE: Carolyn Kasten, Eileen Hirsch, Ann Peters, Robin DePaolo, Gary DePaolo, Debbie Dufresne, Christina Humber, Lori Lerude, Michael Peters, Sue Duby, Barbara Burns, Tara Simard

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Carolyn Kasten.

Welcome to the members in attendance.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY BOOSTER MINUTES:

Motion made by Barbara Burns and seconded by Eileen Hirsch to approve the February minutes.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: CAROLYN KASTEN

Nashua Sings took place on February 12th. The pizza dinner went well for the Middle School and High School students. We sold 178 out of the 180 shirts ordered for an approximate profit of \$700.00. There are two youth size mediums left if anyone is interested.

There was an issue with the pizza delivery from TJ's Deli for Nashua Sings. It was delivered late; the owner was rude upon delivery and did not handle the situation well. We spend a lot of money there each year and were not happy with such bad service. We will not be using them for any events the rest of the year.

The Luau party was the Friday before February vacation. It was not very well attended, but those that were there had a great time.

TREASURER'S REPORT: CHRISTINA HUMBER & ROBIN DEPAOLO

Reviewed the February profit & loss statement. The net profit for the Craft Fair was \$4,761.88. We received a check from Barnes & Noble for \$346.25 and from Amazon for \$77.91.

Approval of the February 2013 Treasurer's Report:

Motion made by Barbara Burns and seconded by Michael Peters.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: EILEEN HIRSCH

Fundraising packages (cookies, totes & jewelry) arrived Monday and will be distributed during music classes this week. Great American Fundraising has been great to work with. They put together the packets and delivered them to the school. Sales will be from March 4th to March 22nd. The pick up date for the products will be on Thursday, April 18th after school.

A question was raised about what to do if a student gets a straight donation from someone who does not wish to buy product, but would like to support the student. If it is a student fundraiser, then the donation goes directly into the student account. If it is a Booster fundraiser, then the donation will go into the Booster account as a donation.

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.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: REPORTED BY CAROLYN KASTEN for Adam Boroskas

First and foremost, thanks to everyone who helped with Nashua Sings! The event came and went without a bump and all of the students involved had a wonderful experience. The work that the Boosters did was amazing and I cannot say enough about how your support as a president and as a group really helped make this day work. Maybe Boosters does not hear it enough, but I am still floored with how willing you all are to help. I brag to my fellow music teachers how lucky I am to be in an environment with this level of volunteerism. On behalf of the chorus students and teachers involved with Nashua Sings, THANK YOU!

Next up...schedule for the next month. Well, we have a fabulous pit band put together for Singing in the Rain and we will be rehearsing tomorrow night from 5:30-9:00 PM and Monday-Thursday of next week from 5:30-9:30 with shows on Friday at 7:30 and Saturday at 1:30 and 7:30.

Both freshmen choirs, chorale and concert choir are pleased to invite all friends and family (free of charge) to the MIOSM concert on Wednesday March 20. Each choir will perform 4 pieces. They are doing remarkable work and I am very excited for this evening.

Concert Choir will be performing (and getting adjudicated) at Large Group Music festival on March 23 at Bow High School. We will be providing bus transportation to and from the festival. I am asking students to arrive at 8 AM on Saturday. We perform at 9:30 and will be returning to South by 12:30. Band-Concert choir students are asked to be here at 8 with their instruments. They will ride up with Concert Choir and drive back home with band (they perform at 11:30).

The rescheduled Jazz All-State festival went great and all of our South kids had a wonderful experience.

Other dates to keep in mind...

April 4-6: I will be with Conner V and Taylor M at the All Eastern Festival in Hartford, CT.

April 11-13: Both choir and band students (along with Tony and I) will be attending the All-State music festival in Concord, NH

April 17: Jazz Night for both the Jazz Band and Jazz Choir.

April 22-26: April vacation Theater "Camp" with a Cancer fundraiser Cabaret show on April 27

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

· **UNH JAZZ FESTIVAL**: A letter with details went home today for all members of the Jazz Ensemble. It is this Saturday, March 9th.

· **MIOSM Concert**: The Music In Our Schools Month Concert is on Wednesday, March 20th at 7pm. The concert will include performances by the Concert Band as well as the Nashua South Choirs (Mr. Boroskas should give details). The concert band will be performing their Large Group pieces as well as other selections. This concert is FREE to the public.

· **LARGE GROUP FESTIVAL**: A Letter with details went home today. Lg. Group is on Saturday, March 23rd. We will be performing at 11:30am at Bow High School. This festival is free of charge and I encourage parents to attend.

If there are any questions, please have anyone email me at school!

As always, thank you all for your continued support of the Nashua South Music Department!!

Spirit Committee (Robin DePaolo and Carolyn Kasten): There will be no spring spirit order since the numbers were so low on the fall order. This was a suggestion made by Red Brick to wait until this fall to do the next one. Since they have been so good about not holding us to product minimums, we decided to follow this suggestion. Items normally offered in the spring will also be available on the fall order form.

We will be selling shirts for Nashua Plays in April.

Restaurant Fundraisers (Donna Demanche): Texas Roadhouse is scheduled for March 28th. A voucher can be printed from the Booster website.

Yearbook (Carolyn Kasten): Orders have been coming in for books. Ads are due by the end of March. Look for the form on the Booster website.

Nominating Committee (Gary DePaolo, Phil Kasten, and Michael Peters): Nominations were made for Christina Humber and Robin DePaolo as treasurer.

We are looking for nominations for all positions. An e-mail went out to the membership requesting nominations.

Scholarship Committee (Christina Humber): Sue DUBY and Lori Katsiaficas were added to the committee. They will handle the preliminary work by e-mail and meet after April vacation to review the applications submitted.

Unfinished Business: Are thank you notes still needed for the silent auction items? Christina has not received a list to send them out. We need to check with Patty Brault on this.

Eileen will order thank you notes from Vista Prints for Booster use.

New Business: None

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:00 pm by Lori Lerude and seconded by Eileen Hirsch.

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