

**Dow High School Music Boosters Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, May 10, 2016 7:30 p.m.**  
**Dow High Orchestra Room**  
**BOARD MEMBERS**

President, Kevin Bouck; Vice President, Paul Fisher; Second Vice President, Regina Curtis;  
Treasurer, Barbara Ostergaard; Secretary, Elizabeth Scott; Band Representative, Linda Wall;  
Band Representative, Todd Sloggett; Choir Representative, Jolene Short; Orchestra  
Representative, Claudie Moore; Orchestra Representative, Masako Nishida.

Present at the meeting were:

Kevin Bouck, Paul Fisher, Lori Fisher, Barbara Ostergaard, Linda Wall, Steve DeRees, Amanda Thoms, Tracey Kempzell, Todd Slogett, Claudie Moore, Jill Bouck, Daniel Segura, Doug Wright, Tracie Greene, Regina Curtis, Masako Nishida, Jeanne Ridley, Rose Martin, Emmeline Poon

**1. Call to Order- Kevin Bouck**

**2. Review and Approval of April Meeting Minutes – Kevin Bouck/All**

**MOTION:** Kevin Bouck moved to accept the Minutes, Regina Curtis seconded it. All approved.

**3. Jazz and More - Lori Fisher**

a. Ticket Sales

1. Sold Out!
2. Utilizing online SignUpGenius for those that wanted tickets to connect to those that had extra tickets helped fill nearly every seat. Probably 10% of the tickets changed hands at the last minute.

b. Financials

1. Sponsors \$2,250 received + \$1,500 pledged = \$3750
2. Table donations \$1,418
3. Proceeds ~ \$6,800 (counting on a couple sponsors for payment)
  - 2015 - \$5,700
  - 2014 - \$4,400
  - 2013 - \$3,900

c. Feedback at event

- Food was very good
- Social time during dinner was appreciated
- Best event yet

d. Feedback during tonight's meeting

- Made contacts with new potential sponsors for 2017 event
- Choirs could not be heard very well; reposition for next year
- Remember Midland Country Club donation of the space rental; value \$1,600
- Perhaps the MC of the event (in 2017) could speak more about costs, sponsors, value, etc.
- Next year's event date April 29, 2017

**4. Review of Treasurer's Report – Barbara Ostergaard/All**

- a. Scholarships Granted - To date we have paid out from both Bank and Choir a total of \$4,200 in scholarships. Amanda Thoms turned in 13 scholarship forms at tonight's meeting.

- b. Choir's Detroit / Chicago trip this weekend
  - 1. Income - \$17,000 has been received (includes: parent payments and fundraising). This number reflects a deposit of \$478 for fundraising that has not been made to date.
  - 2. Expenses - \$12,000 which covers almost all payments necessary for trip.
  - 3. Overage - \$4,600 will be given back to students for spending money as well as reimbursing a chaperone that paid but cannot go on the trip.
- c. Reimbursement - Steve Derees received a check (almost \$700) from Bennett Travel for the poorly managed dinner at the Western Michigan Conference.
- d. Jazz and More income (still waiting for a couple of possible sponsorships) is \$12,628. Costs were \$7,210.20. Net to date is \$5,417.80.
- e. Bus fee for the Jazz Band's Ann Arbor trip was paid.

**MOTION:** Kevin moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Paul Fisher seconded it. All approved.

**5. Hallway Music Picture Update - Barbara Ostergaard**

- a. The orchestra picture shown at the meeting may become the "standard" size for the project.
- b. Still in need of a volunteer to help Photoshop the digitized photos. Possibly contacting Dow High's Curt Gledhill or other experienced college kids home for the summer.

**6. Looking Sharp Uniform Procurement Update - Amanda Thoms/Kevin Bouck**

- a. Amanda Thoms reported that four dozen each of bow ties and cummerbunds should arrive this week and the skirt / pant order by Friday. She also mentioned that the order process went smoother now that she knows who to contact at MPS administration.
- b. Linda Wall asked if additional cummerbund clasps were part of the order; they are not, so Linda will purchase additional clasps to use when she replaces all of the elastic on the current cummerbunds this summer.
- c. Kevin Bouck reported that Shannon Kruger, MHS Music Booster President, will be going to the Midland Foundation to get an updated understanding on where Looking Sharp stands. Regina Curtis, as incoming DHS Music Booster President, will contact and accompany Shannon.

**7. Culver's Fundraiser Update - Jeanne Ridley**

- a. Jeanne Ridley reported that SignUpGenius is up and ready to go. Students can now volunteer for the event.
- b. Event date: May 25 from 5:00-9:00 pm. at the Midland Culver's location.
- c. 10% of the gross sales from 5-9:00 will be given to the DHS Music Boosters.
- d. Jeanne will develop an email for the directors to distribute. Additional, Tracey Kempself will forward the email to middle school families.
- e. Jeanne will leave flyers in the office near visitor sign in and get a supply to the directors.
- f. Rose Martin and Lisa Ungerleider have volunteered to be at the event with Jeanne.

**8. Uniform Collection - Linda Wall / Regina Curtis**

- a. Regina Curtis asked if Tracie Greene and Regina could come in on May 20th to setup for collection; Steve Derees agreed.
- b. Seniors in Band will bring in their uniforms May 24 and 25. Orchestra seniors will turn their uniforms in after the May 26 concert. Choir seniors will turn theirs in on June 1.

c. General collection will be May 31, June 1 and 2.

**9. Election of 2016-2017 Music Booster Board - Bouck / Curtis**

- a. Regina Curtis nominated the following for the 2016-17 Executive Board
- President - Regina Curtis
  - Vice President - Linda Wall
  - 2nd Vice President - Jeanne Ridley
  - Treasurer - Barbara Ostergaard
  - Secretary - Elizabeth Scott
  - No other nominations from the floor

**MOTION:** Kevin Bouck moved to accept the slate of officers. Paul Fisher seconded it. All approved.

- c. Regina also reported that the Finance Committee would be:
- Regina Curtis
  - Linda Wall
  - Clark Cummings
  - Barbara Ostergaard
  - John Nosal
- d. Regina reported on the new representatives for 2016-17.
- Band - Rose Martin
  - Band - Karen Rhee
  - Orchestra - Masako Nishida
  - Orchestra - Claudie Moore
  - Choir - Doug Wright
  - Choir - Dan Segura
  - Choir - Emmeline Poon
- e. Regina reported on the committee chairs for the 2016-17 events:
- Dessert Party - Hope Pirie
  - Band Showcase - Kim Walden
  - Fruit Sale - Regina Curtis, + Co-Chair \_\_\_\_\_
  - Jazz and More - Jeanne Ridley, Julie Hales, Tracie Greene
  - Uniforms - Linda Wall, Tracie Greene
  - Memorial Day Parade - \_\_\_\_\_
  - Pizza Party - \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Directors Reports - Derees / Thoms / Kempzell**

- a. Tracey Kempzell
1. Choir leaves this Friday for the Magic Flute performance in Detroit. The Chamber Singers will continue on to Chicago for a weekend workshop at DePaul University.
  2. Earned \$378.00 at a recent fundraiser at Creative 360.
  3. Choir tuxes will turned in on June 1st.
  4. Organizing office for the new choir director. Interviews are currently underway and those that make the first cut will need to be Bravo certified before working with the students as part of the interview process.
- b. Amanda Thoms
1. 4th grade concert went very well; will continue to use the 2016 setup in the future
  2. The Pit Orchestra played very well for the musical.
  3. Orchestra has played for three of their four award ceremonies.

4. Spring concert is May 26 @ 7:30 in the Bullock Creek HS auditorium.
5. A 2016-17 opportunity to take students to Ann Arbor to see the Berlin Philharmonic was discussed. The event is November 12, 2016. Amanda requested permission to purchase the student block of tickets over the summer break.

**MOTION:** Paul Fisher moved to allow Amanda Thoms to purchase up to \$1,000 worth of tickets for the Berlin Philharmonic during the summer. Barbara Ostergaard seconded it. All approved.

6. Amanda is also considering an opportunity for orchestra students to play at Symphony Hall in Boston. Researching possibilities.
  7. Amanda turned in 13 student scholarships totaling \$4,982. Her budget for scholarships is \$3,000. She will be able to reassign unspent values in her approved budget to cover the additional scholarships. No Board action necessary.
- c. Steve Derees
1. Michigan Youth Arts Festival is currently underway. (Ayana is there...anyone else mentioned?)
  2. The band has been asked to have a pep band at the freshman orientation May 18th. This is the same night as the spring concert. We will make both work. In "trade" Mrs. Kastl has agreed to be a guest conductor at the concert. The spring concert will be professionally recorded by Sound Waves and CDs will be for sale for \$16 each.
  3. Memorial Day Parade is at 10 am on May 30. Band reports at the corner of Auburn and Main at 9:30 in their assigned dress code.
  4. The Western Michigan Conference recording turned out very well. Steve asked approval to purchase 120 CDs for \$1,200. He will be able to cover the cost within his already approved budget. No Board action necessary.
  5. Disney 2017 is taking shape. Dates are April 1-7, 2017 at a cost \$1,100/student for a quad occupancy.
  6. Not applying to the Mid Michigan Conference until next year. Will work towards possibly attending the State Honor Festival instead (clarify if needed, not sure I heard all of this conversation)
  7. The band will remain about the same size, 250, for next year, but may increase the following year. Their will be 95 upcoming 8th graders next year.
  8. Band Camp is set for August 22-24, with a game on the 24th. Therefore, the Dessert Party will be the following week at the Wednesday night practice, August 31.
  9. Question: Will we use the trailer in the Memorial Day Parade? Yes. Steve will contact Mike Hales to check on his availability.

## 11. New Business

- a. Uniform Garment Bag Purchase - Linda Wall will give Mr. Derees the number of new garment bags needed after the uniforms are collected. The order may need to increase for this year and thinking ahead to next year's incoming freshman.
- b. Kevin Bouck brought to the Board's attention a situation regarding using the Booster website for publicizing non-Booster related business. The Board agreed that all Booster communications should only promote Booster activities.
- c. Kevin Bouck also brought to the Board's attention that our current email (or gmail) board addresses may not continue to work with Mail Chimp our current email service. He is

researching possibilities for new email addresses that will be compatible with Mail Chimp.

- d. Regina Curtis suggested changing the meeting times from 7:30 to 7:00 for the 2016-17 year. No conflicts stated. Our next meeting will be September 20th at 7:00 in the Orchestra Room. At that time the remainder of next year's meetings will be set.
- e. Regina Curtis thanked all of the "graduating" Booster Board and Representatives for the service. Great work and you will be missed.

**12. Meeting adjourned by Kevin Bouck**