

Dow High School Music Boosters Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 10, 2015 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, Elizabeth Scott, Linda Wall, Todd Sloggett,
Claudie Moore, Masako Nishida, Steve DeRees, Amanda Thoms, Jeanne Ridley, Regina Curtis, Tracy
Kempself, Cindy Wong, John Nosal.

- 1) **Call to Order- Kevin Bouck**
- 2) **Review and Approval of March Meeting Minutes – Elizabeth Scott/All**

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

- 3) **Review of Treasurer's Report – Barbara Ostergaard,
2015-2016 Budget Review & Approval – Bouck/All**
 - a) Still no money from Showcase. Kevin asked Barbara to call to get the money.
 - b) Spirtwear purchase was put in as a Band expense we received some money back from that
 - c) We have to pay bus travel expenses for the Walled Lake game and that is in the works.

MOTION: Paul Fisher moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and the 2015-2016 Budget, Regina Curtis seconded it. All approved.

- 4) **Old Business**
 - a) **Looking Sharp Grant, Uniform Procurement Update, Thoms/DeRees/Kempself**
 - i) Mrs. Thoms will followed up on uniform order.
 - ii) Discussion about the Foundation Fund's closure. Kevin will contact Foundation and MPS administration to find out
 - iii) Mrs. Kempself just received all of the uniforms she needed.
 - b) **Band Instrument Locker Update – DeRees**
 - i) Need to order locks for the new lockers.
 - c) **Fruit Sale – Regina Curtis**
 - i) The Fruit Sale Committee has everything going very smoothly.
 - (1) Linda requested that teams and captains are sent to her from the directors by Nov. 19th.
 - (2) Stuffing of envelopes will be Nov. 23 with Nov. 30 as a backup.
 - (3) Linda extracted the number of orders turned in per tally day for last and the previous years' Fruit Sales. This will assist Charger Chefs (Jen) as to how many treats to have ready for the student's first sales turned in
 - (4) Regina determined the prizes/incentives for the Sale: Fancy cookie for the first sale turned in. Undecided: something for reaching the goal of 6 cases. Recognition of the top 20 fundraisers at the end of the sale.
 - (5) Todd and Jack's Fruit Market have determined that:
 - (a) The fruit will be delivered Feb.4 @ 8:00.
 - (b) Sorting to begin at 8:20.

- (c) Todd continues to work with the load discrepancies of the 2,000 lbs. = Jack's palette vs 1,250 lbs. = MPS bobcat can lift.
- (d) Todd, Lori, and Cindy have been working together for numbers and timing of volunteers.
- (e) Todd has revamped the volunteer instructions for unloading, stacking, sorting, etc.
- (6) Kevin Bouck, president of the Boosters, indicated; \$54,000 = increase in budgeted income for Fruit Sale due to increase in number of music students. Original budget = \$50,000
- (7) Julie reported that the triplicate forms have tripled in price; this quote is from QRP. She is looking for possible solutions.
- (8) The Friday evening fruit pickup hours have been reduced and will now be 4:00-7:00 pm.
- (9) Jen is working with some students who want to produce a new promo Fruit Sale video.
- (10) Claudie Moore will post Fruit Sale information on the Booster website for us.
- (11) Regina has a call into MCFTA - Kim Diamond to see if an ensemble could play in brick lobby before the Nutcracker performance and promote Fruit Sale.
- (12) Jack's looking into ordering our white envelopes; calling Regina back. He has white bags for us as well.
- (13) Tally Days will be Dec. 9, 16 and Jan. 6 (Jan. 13 unofficial). The office has been informed that we have reduced the number of tally days.
- (14) Lori and Cindy have also communicated with the office regarding the days that volunteers will be in the building and extra cars in the parking lot.
- (15) Lisa U. has scheduled the MDN ad and Back Page notices.

d) Music Pictures for hallway – Ostergaard

- i) Barbara's son, Grant will probably make this his Eagle Scout project!
- ii) He will probably begin the project second semester

5) Director Reports – Mr. DeRees, Ms. Thoms, Mrs. Kempself

a) Mr. DeRees Upcoming Performances/Events:

- i) The Band is at the end of a wonderful season
- ii) Making a lot of good friends and fans
- iii) Great experience for the students to see other bands and support the Football Team
- iv) If the Football team wins on Saturday, participation in the Santa Parade might be cancelled
- v) Jazz Band has started
- vi) Sorting out the Green Band and the Gold Band
- vii) Sports Boosters donated \$1,100 to pay for one bus for the Walled Lake Football game.

b) Ms. Thoms Upcoming Performances/Events:

- i) Fall Orchestra Concert 7:30 Memorial Presbyterian, Monday, October 26 went very well. Largest crowd they've had at Memorial Presbyterian
- ii) Hal Grossman's master class was interactive and very instructive
- iii) On December 15 all DHS Orchestras will be performing at Central Middle School
- iv) Honor's Orchestra will play for Love Light Tree ceremony on December 3

c) Mrs. Kempself Upcoming Performances/Events:

- i) The Autumn Concert on November 4 at St. John's Episcopal Church was packed
- ii) Second Annual Rummage Sale and Bake Sale, too is November 21 from 9-4
- iii) Madrigal Dinners are on December 11 & 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Dow High Cafeteria

6) New Business

a) Uniforms – New and Old

- i) Regina will make a note on poor conditioned uniforms and what should be retired and processed for parts.

- ii) She will start opening up the boxes of new uniforms probably in December and hang up them up to verify that they are made to specifications.
- iii) Mr. DeRees requested that we keep as many uniforms as possible because next year's band may increase by 280-300 members.

b) Grocery Fund Raising Contribution Programs

- i) Jeanne Ridley discovered that the best option is the *Meijer Community Rewards* for customers who use a Meijer credit card, cash, or debit card.
 - (1) Before we can educate band parents about this option, we need to go online and set up the Dow High Music Boosters organization, which requires identifying specific contact information, check delivery information, and EIN.
 - (2) Barbara can get Jeanne the information so that Jeanne can set it up online.
 - (3) Aldi and GFS do not have school contribution programs.
 - (4) The Kroger Contribution program from the last couple of years will be updated. Jeanne and Barbara will work on that.
 - (5) Family Fare has a *Cash for Class* program that will benefit the school(s) of your choice during one week of each month when you link schools to your "Yes" card.
 - (a) We want to encourage people to set up Herbert Henry Dow High School online under their Yes card account.
 - (b) Any benefit to Dow High certainly benefits Dow music programs, even if indirectly through the budget.
 - (6) Jeanne is wondering if the Booster Club would be interested in restaurant fundraisers, where a percentage of the day or night's profits go to the Music Boosters. Her initial idea is to ask Culver's if they would support this. She does have knowledge of them doing this in the past. She would be glad to get some input on whether we should pursue this further.

c) Elementary Students Music Program

- i) There have been some improvements in the elementary schools, but there are some issues yet to be resolved.

7) Meeting adjourned by Kevin Bouck