

Western Hills High School
Choral Department Booster Club
Minutes of Summer Planning Meeting
June 16, 2009

The summer planning meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM, June 16, 2009 at Casa Fiesta. Those in attendance were Tiffany Marsh, Barbara Atwood, Kay Shanker, Amy Rawlins, Eileen Hardy, and Alexandra Hockensmith.

1. OFFICER POSITIONS

- A. Barbara Atwood introduced each officer, specifically the newest office positions, Eileen Hardy as secretary and Amy Rawlins as at-large member.
- 2. Ms. Marsh reviewed booster officer email addresses. Eileen Hardy requested Mrs. Marsh use the one on file. No email updates from other officer positions.
- 3. Goals for the booster club were discussed. Continued leadership from the officers in meetings and activities was encouraged. We need to improve parental involvement and develop a connection with Bondurant choral parents before their transition into WHHS. It was suggested to have more connection of Booster club and fundraisers with the new chorus teacher at Bondurant.
Event Book idea was brought up to have instructions for each event that is done, so as to not recreate each time and to have easily passed from one person to the next. Eileen Hardy and Alexandra Hockensmith were willing to compile.

4. FUNDRAISING

- A. Kay Shanker reported that Kroger cards need to be pushed. Only 4 were being used in previous year.
- B. Ms. Marsh reported that the sponsorship campaign will run from August 13 to 31. Magazine sales will be discontinued this year. Candy sales will be November 4-18. Dessert Concert (scholarship fundraiser) will be held April 20 (possible separate location for concert).
- C. Other fundraising ideas for the spring semester: Possibly add another Dessert Concert in January, Market Day, Popcorn, raffle items/baskets at each concert (do we need a gambling license?)

5. BUDGET

- Kay Shanker reported the 2008-2009 ending balance of approximately \$5,289.82. An outstanding deposit of \$948.70 (this includes student outstanding fees).
- A. Ideal to end 09-10 year with \$6000.00 in account since there are no major purchases can rebuild funds for next.
 - B. It was recommended to have an account review the booster accounting records and Alexandra Hockensmith agreed to do so.

6. ATTIRE

- The annual rental fee has been \$30 for each member of Advanced Chorale and Girls' Chorale. (Again, the purchase option will be available this year – really push for students planning to stay in chorus for 4 yerars. This rental and purchase will be for all members of the choral department.) The question of the rental fee going up this year was tabled for later email approval by July.

7. CHORAL DEPARTMENT PURCHASES/IMPROVEMENTS

- A. The next main purchase needed by the choral department would not occur until the 2010-2011 school year. Looking at getting a music library shelving system. Would be for the chorus and band and looking into splitting the cost. Parents requested to explore what “splitting the cost” would be. Need to get quotes from companies.
 - B. It was mentioned by Eileen Hardy that House Bill 514 – Capital Outlay funds (Seek Money) is available for maintenance. This could be of help to get the chorus room wall, ceiling maintenance completed. Kevin Brown was the contact person on this – send letter to and to Mr. Preston.
8. TRIPS
- A. Mrs. Marsh asked for approval to pay half registration for students participating in the Tim Lautzenheiser leadership workshop. Was approved to pay full registration for students.
 - B. Looking at possible musical show options at Kentucky Center for the Arts – this could be for fall or spring semester. Options include: A Chorus Line, Cats, Chicago.
 - C. Possibility of making the Women’s Choir Festival into a competition – maybe doing certificates for schools – Mrs. Marsh will talk to Laura Gabbard who coordinates event.
 - D. 2010-2011 Chorus/Band Trip. Due to small numbers and high costs the chorus is looking into beginning to travel with the band. Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Marsh will begin looking at location/trip options this fall/winter.
9. SCHOLARSHIP
- Awaiting receipt of student schedules before issuing and mailing checks. Also, Mrs. Marsh was appreciated of the booster club for allowing a third recipient. A specification of the criteria for the scholarship was discussed and determined that it should/could be open to any student continuing singing in college.
10. SUMMER MAILING
- A. Discussion of what additional to include in mailing: Attire rental fee should be determined prior to mailing and a larger push for Kroger cards.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.