



## Meeting Minutes

11/6/18  
7 PM

The Meeting was called to order by Michelle Shene at 7:03 p.m.

### Approval of Minutes

Julie Wilson

- Thanks to everyone who emailed their reports before the meeting!

### 1st Vice President Report - Concessions Mario Ellis (absent), Dominique Belcher (absent)

- Mario - Krista is doing a great job in sending out weekly emails and coordinating volunteers for concessions. Thanks to Karen for emailing orchestra parents when needed.
- We were able to successfully do inventory and move concessions from outside to inside on 10/28. Thanks to all the hard work and dedication of everyone involved.
- Claire will begin training for inside concessions and ordering. Greatly appreciated.
- Michelle - Switch with athletics was a little difficult but worked out. In talks with Fred, Erin, and Nancy to renovate the entire concession stand.

### 2nd Vice President Report - Fundraising

Kenneth Hale (absent)

- Ken - SMP is scheduled to host its mattress fundraiser on Saturday, 4/13/19.
- Due to a change in my work schedule and increased work responsibilities, I am not able to continue to serve as 2nd Vice President of Fundraising due to time constraints. However, I am still willing to chair the mattress fundraiser initiative.
- Since the Marching Band season has concluded, a meeting will be scheduled with Mark Mauldin and Rob Luce to identify priorities that may be supported by funding secured through grant writing efforts.
- Michelle - This position needs to be replaced due to change in Ken's job schedule.
- Need to get together and talk about grant money. Lots of applications due 2/1. Ken found alot so just need to decide which ones to pursue, especially for visiting artists.
- Shoe collection fundraising idea. Wrapping paper fundraiser wil be again this year. A November/December date to be announced.

### Treasurer Report

Jackie Friedman

- Made a lot from soccer games. We are caught up on concession bills, except one Coca Cola bill. We owe one more uniform cleaning. We didn't pay for band camp yet.
- 7/21-26 is next year's Band Camp. It will be \$58 per kid per day.

### Band Rep and Volunteer Coordinator

Jennifer Rich Drasner

- Some of the bands provide visiting bands with snacks. Our band members really appreciate this. Would like to talk about doing this for next year. It sounds like snacks are donated by the band parents. Shaker Heights parents bake cookies and bag them for the bands.

### Orchestra Representative

Karen McColl

- Uniforms were distributed just before the October concert. I wish kids would not grow between the time they get measured in August and the concert in October!
- American Commodore was extremely helpful at the last minute, allowing us to borrow tux pants and a jacket to get us through. I can't say enough good things about them.
- We had a small spiritwear order this year, so I think we will go to every two years for ordering starting next year. The exception will be car magnets which we have a stock of.

### Starlettes Representative

Paulette Bais (absent)

- The uniforms are being organized and will be ready for cleaning by Thursday of this week.

### Choir Representative

Rebecca Egolf, Lauren Kinsell

- The high school choirs performed a lovely fall concert on 10/17, including a wonderful collaboration of the choir and orchestra in the presentation of Leonard Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms."
- The Madrigals will soon begin a full calendar of holiday concerts at community and civic events around the area, including the Solon Tree Lighting and concert on 11/21.
- The next event for the choirs is the holiday concert on 12/13.

### Directors' Reports

#### **Mark Mauldin:**

- Middle school band concert at SHS on 11/28. Play for Veteran's Day on 11/13.
- For the first time, band is doing video submission for auditions.
- Parents have been very generous with giftcards for Howell family.

- Pigskin review was a big success and liked gym. Having it outside is not an option, since it will be cancelled if it rains. Rather deal with the hassle of scheduling the gym and shoe marks on the floor than cancelling altogether.
- Tree lighting - kids volunteer. Concert band starts tomorrow hopefully. SCA will provide pizza. 12/4 - orchestra concert, 12/5 - band concert, 12/13 - choir concert.

**Gary Lewis (absent):**

- Nothing to report.

**Rob Luce (absent):**

- Orchard is going well. We are gearing the 6th grade up for the Veteran's Day themed concert a week from tonight. Attendees have the option to bring a lawn chair/bag chair rather than sitting in the bleachers.
- After the concert, we will focus on narrowing the pool of potential saxophone and percussion hopefuls through a hands on assessment routine.

**Gerald MacDougall:**

- Managed to get our first round of quartet performances on video, with senior section leaders providing commentary and advice.
- Working hard on preparing music for 12/4. Sinfonia is performing Nutcracker. Concert orchestra is working on several fun pieces. Mr. Mauldin and Mr. MacDougall are switching for a pair of pieces!
- Middle school orchestras are well-prepared for Thursday, 11/29. Looking forward to sharing the gift of chamber music with them also.
- Expecting about two dozen students to play tree lighting on Wed, 11/21.

**Stephanie Bettinger (absent):**

- Everything is going well.

**Bettyjeane Quimby (absent):**

- She is building the 7th grade band.
- 6th grade band students preparing for their November 13 Veteran's Day concert.
- 7th grade band students enjoyed marching with the SHS marching band on 10/24! Currently preparing for their November 28 band concert.

## Committee Reports

### **Pie Sale:**

- Almost 900 pies sold close to last year's numbers. We still have extras.

### New Business

- Choir robes/Tux alterations approval - We pay half for them and the school pays the other half. Around \$750 for us. Good thing for us to do, since they are part of SMP now. Choir has been volunteering. We have \$1000 set aside for them.
- Facebook pages - Public vs private pages. Who can see them and knowing where our kids are. Need photo release before band camp. Public page is not for close-up photos. We need a communications officer, and we need closed orchestra, band, and choir pages. We need to talk to Erin Short.
- Pasta Dinner - We need to start discussing Pasta Dinner. Paulette Bais is interested in helping Karen Kasper. Need donations and committee members. Started as a way to showcase the Jazz Band. We will move the stage to be closer to the band.

**The meeting was approved to adjourn at 8:09 PM.**

### Next Solon Music Parents Meeting

Monday, 12/3/2018, 7 PM, in the SHS Band Room