

Prairie Music Association

10/12/2010

Attendance:

Karen Abben, Craig Aune, Mick Davies, Steve Doser, Julie Farmer, Amy Ganske, Roxann Hendryx, Barb Hilgenkamp, Julie Hupp, Deron Jimmerson, Shannon Kehoe, Kathy Knutson, Michelle Krapfl, Cathy Krouse, Sharon Langenberg, Jan Martin, Tamara Novinska, Marija Santos, Chad Smale, Sondra Smale, Kathy Toczykowski, Kelly Truax, Amy Williams

Meeting was called to order at 7pm by Sondra Smale.

Minutes Approval

- Motion to approve Shannon Kehoe seconded by Chad Smale.

BAP

- BAP is now listed on the Midwest Marching.com website that will lead back to the PMA website.

Wreath & Candy

- Approximately 1,500 packets were put together and distributed to the directors.
- All orders were to be turned in to their directors on October 12th. Barb Hilgenkamp will pick up the orders that students forgot to turn in on Friday, October 15th from the directors.
- Barb will need help with counting orders and money. The counting will be done on Monday and Tuesday at the Guaranty Bank in Fairfax.

Fruit and Candy

- Kathy Knutson has met with Amy Ellis. Amy will continue to be available to help with this year's fundraiser.

IMBC

- Kathy Toczykowski is our PMA Representative.
- Reminder that cookies need to be to the high school band room on Monday, October 25th in the morning and Sondra Smale will deliver them to the US Cellular Center.
- Prairie will play 5th in the line up.
- Point 9th graders will have a letter that will allow them to get a discounted ticket.

Show Choir Festival

- City High and Bettendorf have committed to participate in the show.
- Center Point/Urbana and IC West have been asked but have not replied as of yet.
- Since a Girls Basketball game will be on the same night PMA will not be participating or supplying concessions.
- Directors will ask parents to bring water to the Show Choir Concert to give to students the evening of the festival.

Volunteers

- Shannon will ask Kathy Waychoff for a list of PMA volunteers.
- IMBC mailing will go out and the volunteer sheet will be added.
- Volunteer sheets will now be sent out with information from the directors before each concert.

Treasurers Report

- Marija is working hard to keep up with the Patrons' donations.
- Marija will e-mail the elementary teachers to remind them of their budgets.
- Julie Hupp will be working on the 990 Tax form for PMA.

Patrons

- To date we have received \$3,957.35 with 109 Patrons.
- Sharon Langenberg will set up Patrons' table at concerts to keep everyone informed of our effort to raise \$10,000 and a place for people to turn in their forms directly.
- PMA needs to get more information out about how Patrons works and that you do not have to give thousands to be a Patron.
- Sharon will be sending out a letter to businesses in the district asking them to support music at Prairie.
- Sharon will provide information to Steve Doser to include Patrons' form and information. Other information to include to Steve would be request for volunteers, concert dates, and fundraiser information.
- Craig suggested at looking into the possibility of asking for concert sponsors from businesses. Similar to what they do at the symphony.

Directors Reports

Craig Aune

- Fittings of the concert uniforms will be done on October 27-29 from 8am-10am.
- The marching band received its highest score of 84.5 at the State Marching Band Competition.
- To see some of the marching band performances go to youtube.com and search for Prairie Hawks Marching Band. A special thanks to Deron Jimmerson for setting this up.

Deron Jimmerson

- 26 band students in 9-12th grade are auditioning for All-State on October 23rd.
- There will be Wind Symphony/Symphonic try outs.
- The first Jazz Band concert will be on 11/11/10.
- Looking at the web to get more information out about the PHS Music Dept.

Cheri Brummer

- Fall concert went well with the ISU Singers and other professional musicians participating in the concert.
- Costuming for show choir will begin on 10/14/10 starting with the boys.
- Choir All-State will be on 10/23/10 with 28 students auditioning.

Mike Davies

- October 5, 2010 will be the 7-9th grade band concert.
- All three Jazz Bands have started rehearsing.
- On October 23, 2010 three 9th grade students will be auditioning for All-State
- On November 3, 2010 90 students will be going to the U of I Extravaganza.

Tamara Novinska

- Forty students tried out for the Honor Choir OPUS with one 6th grader being selected.
- Preparing for the fall concert with 200 students in choir.

Kelly Truax

- Fall concert is 10/21/10 with the choirs performing at the following times:
 - Girls at 6:30 pm
 - Boys at 7:45 pm
- The Honor Choir OPUS results are in and there were 21 students that were selected to participate.
 - 1 - 6th grader
 - 3 - 7th graders
 - 5 - 8th graders
 - 12 - 9th graders
- Contabile and A Few Good Men begin practices the week of 10/11/10. Their first concert will be in mid-December.

Amy Williams

- Band students are doing well.
- Sixth grade students will be going to the U of I Extravaganza on 11/3/10 with 75-80 students attending.
- Preparing for the December concert.
- Creek will be hosting an Honor band in February of 2011.
At this time the guest conductors will be Mike Davies and Brian Eabinet.

Motion to adjourn was made by Chad Smale
Second was Sharon Langenberg

Next Meeting 11/9/10 7pm at the High School Band Room