

# GLENHARD NORTH MUSIC ROOSTERS MEETING MINUTES

October 1, 2013

- Welcome - The meeting was brought to order at 7:02.
- Approval of September Meeting Minutes - since the September meeting minutes have not been completed, the minutes will be reviewed and approved at the next meeting.
- Staff Reports
  - Mr. Burkemper - Thanks to the parents who helped with the middle school practice night and who have been helping out at games. Two upcoming dates are October 24 - Middle School Festival and October 22 - Band Concert.
  
  - Mrs. Johnson - Upcoming dates are October 29 - Choir Concert. October 17 is the last practice for Women of Note and Mrs. Johnson is requesting pizza for all the girls. There will be about 102 total girls in attendance. October 8 is IMEA auditions. Students are encouraged to arrive at Addison Trail High School as close to 4:00 as possible to get in line for the auditions.
- Treasurer's Report
  - Small equipment items were purchased. The account is a little above \$14,000. A line item has been added for apparel purchasing since large amounts of money are going in and out of the account.
- Old Business
  - Spirit Wear
    - Current Order Status - the order time has ended and there was a last minute rush of orders. Polos have not been ordered yet due to a cost difference if more are ordered. Discussion revolved around whether we should order 31 extra polos and carry an inventory in order to get the lower cost and eliminate the need to reorder polos. These polos could also be sold at concerts to eliminate an inventory. A motion was made to order the extras and seconded. The motion passed to order 50 total polos.
  
    - Choir T-shirt - There was discussion about several choir parents asking whether a choir t-shirt was in the works. It was again stated that any choir parent interested in a choir t-shirt would have full access to the files used for the band t-shirt and a referral to Team Sales would be made whenever a choir parent wished to plan the shirt. Mrs. Johnson also said that students could take charge of a choir t-shirt if demand was there.

Purchase Per Year - Decision on whether to order more will depend on interest in the future. This will be decided when demand is expressed to membership.

Patches Interest - Andy Kanturek spoke with a parent who would be able to develop a patch for the music boosters to sell. She can make them in any design we would want and would be a low cost.

#### New Business

Fundraiser % for Music Boosters - Fundraising arose regarding whether the Boosters should change this year's Cheesecake fundraiser profit to go more to the students since the Boosters have so much money in the account. This would not be a new policy as the monetary situation could change from year to year. A motion was made to give 100% of the cheesecake fundraising profit to students this year. The motion passed with all but one aye.

#### Other committee reports

Discussion was initiated by Bill Baker about working with the middle school band directors to promote band and choir membership among students and parent booster membership. The middle schools are open to having a table at the concerts or having high school students talk to the middle school students. There were also suggestions about inviting middle school students to concerts and using the t-shirt gun to give middle schoolers Booster t-shirts. Andy Kanturek and several other volunteers will attend the middle school music festival to promote the music program.

#### Trip

Several parents initiated discussion regarding the 2015 Hawaii trip. Some parents are concerned about the high cost of the trip and the lack of parent input into the location, as well as how the students were informed of the trip before parents knew. Some parents feel the cost is prohibitive and the fundraisers are not helpful to families who cannot sell at work or to family. Some parents are also concerned that the cost will cause students to not sign up for choir and band because the trip is not something they can afford. Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Burkemper attempted to answer some of the concerns as follows:

1. How is the location decided? The options have been discussed for a long time based on parent input over the years. All the other choices were examined and they were all equally as expensive. The staff decides ultimately where to go and Hawaii was decided based on the fact that it's a trip that stays within the country but allows the students to experience a different culture. The time schedule allows families to plan vacations based around the trip.
2. When will the board approve and what happens if the board does not approve? The trip cannot be approved until the 2014-2015 schedule is set by the board. Then the staff will make an itinerary and send it to the board for approval. At that point, the temporary itinerary can be shown to parents. If the board does not approve of the trip, then another location will be sought. The school

administration is already on board with the trip because of the fact that it will not take school days away from students.

3. When will commitment forms be sent out? They will not go out until next fall and at that time, if not enough students commit, then the trip will not go on as planned. Promoting the trip to 8th graders is not encouraged at this time because of the tentative-ness of the trip at this time.
4. Who is planning the trip? Bob Rogers travel will plan this trip as they have the past and they have done other school trips to Hawaii so they have a good idea of venues, activities and hotels.
5. What is the school's liability for graduated seniors and students who are over 18? This is unsure and the directors will need to follow up on this issue before seniors and students over the age of 18 are committed to attend the trip.

The next meeting will be on November 5, 2013 at 7:00 in the band room.

 Adjournment at 8:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gorr  
Secretary