

Masconomet Music Parents Association 2017-2018

Wednesday, May 9, 2018, 7:00-8:35pm, Small Cafeteria

Minutes

Attendees: Nancy McCann, Terry Sullivan, Claudia Giustra, Lianne Langill, Diane Winship, Heidi Zeltzar, Lori Dox, Natalie Gregory, Bob Tirelli, Michele Voner, Tina Strunk, Sherry Roach, Melissa Stankus

1. Approval of Meeting minutes of 4/11/18: Removed line from 4b that stated Diane would get info into MS newsletter. Approved by Bob Tirelli, seconded by Lori Dox
2. Financial Report: *Nancy McCann*: Money for Heritage students in and out of account. There were fewer workers because they work harder. We will see approximately \$800 from it. Free Cash is \$13,256.33, up approximately \$700 from last month. Unused \$2300 from Master Class allotment will go into Free Cash. \$600 for Trent Austin will come out of Conti Fund. We will enter a “placeholder” into the report for Auditorium repairs with no money in it.
3. JazzFest recap: *Tina Strunk*: Should we try to get a Saxophonist for next year? Trent was great. Ideas for next year:
 - a. Sandwiches: we sold most of them. We started with 120 pieces; There were 20 roll-ups left. It cost \$12836 to buy and we made \$128, so we broke even. Maybe roll-ups for \$1 (not \$2) and sandwiches ½ for \$2, whole for \$3?
 - b. Backdrop definitely made it nicer. Plan in September to find a way to cover the murals
 - c. We need clearly marked Recycling. Stuff ended up in the garbage.
 - d. We had enough desserts, but too much water. 2 coffee urns were made.
 - e. Re-usable items were tossed during clean-up. Maybe have a clean-up team take trays, centerpieces, table # stands, etc off tables during raffle.
 - f. Total net was \$3236.45, last year’s net was \$2900. Tickets were \$2750 and last year they were \$2170. \$3200 will go to Free Cash for May.
4. NYC trip recap: *Claudia Giustra*: Greg West (professional photographer) took pictures of trip. You can check his website to see the pictures. MET rooftop was open. Symphony was wonderful. Behavior was exemplary. They went to the National Geographic Museum (was about oceans); They got there at 9:30 and it opened at 10am, so they had the place to themselves. Aladdin was wonderful. They went to Bryant Park because the weather was great.
5. Upcoming Student Performances:
 - a. MS Band Concert: give gift to Mr Gray at that time. We will sell uniforms that night; everything is going online.
 - b. Baccalaureate: Should Seniors perform?
 - c. Graduation: MMPA will buy pizza for the performers. Claudia will order the pizza.
 - d. Memorial Day parade: May 28th in Middleton

6. MMPA enrichment programs for next year: continue with Master Classes
7. Fundraising for next year:
 - a. Electronics: We make \$4,000 to \$5,000; schedule it for beginning of October. Bob will chair it again. Get a new contractor (not NE Handlers). They tried to bill us \$800 for TVs and they got the dates wrong so we had to a second event.
 - b. Shredding Event: need to book one year in advance to get on his calendar. Try for April 27th.
 - c. Mattress Sales: School committee may question 3 big fundraisers. Maybe we should earmark (and advertise) the mattress money for trips and auditorium repairs.
 - d. Road race was too much effort and money for uncertain results
8. Auditorium Upgrades: Topsfield finance committee has not approved capital expenditures for Masco. Middleton has approved it. Insurance repairs come first.
9. Music Department Trip Account Donation request: The Main office has made a request for the MMPA to set up a donation fund for need-based students to go on the big trips. It would be a separate MMPA trip account administered by the District. We should think about it for the next meeting.
10. Office Slate for 2018-2019: The following people have elected to run for these positions:
 - a. Presidents - Diane Winship
 - b. Secretary- Lori Dox
 - c. Treasurer- Sherry Roach
 - d. Elections will be held at the June 13 meeting. Other positions can be created or shared.
11. Disney Trip update: 97 students have signed up (can only accept 100). The trip is more expensive because of Easter week. Airlines and hotels are variable.
12. Additional Items:
 - a. School Committee would not let us go back to Awards for “any” grades, Seniors only. They would prefer it if no boosters gave awards.
 - b. Task Force meeting is next Tuesday, School committee meeting is Wednesday. The School committee needs to be watched.
 - c. Jean Jarvie Award: the balance is \$4530. We give out award to 2 students from the Drama Departments (1 performer, 1 crew). Mr West decides on who gets the \$300 awards.

Meeting ended 8:35pm

Next meeting is Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 7pm

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