

Minutes
Mahomet-Seymour Music Booster Corporation meeting
Monday, May 12, 2008
7:00 p.m. Mahomet-Seymour High School

Board of Directors: Chris Johnson, Karen Badger, Jan Guthrie, Nancy Stevens, Karen Conrad, Alison Lecouris, Michael Stevens, Matt Kutyllo, Jill Rinkel, Leslie Manfredo, Barbara Semeraro (absent Tammy Caputo, Billie Waddell)

Members and Attendees: Max Guthrie, Stacie Vogelsang, Mark Igoe, Cindi Eustice, Nancy Tolar

A quorum of the board of directors was present for the meeting. Therefore, official actions by the Board may be taken. Any ratified amendments to the bylaws take effect immediately.

Also, within the corporation directors mean the corporation's board of directors, not the MS Music Department staff members (which are sometimes referred to as directors.). To clarify the notes: Directors mean the corporation's board of directors. MS Music Department staff will be referred to as MS staff.

I. Call to Order – Chris Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

II. Review and Approval of April, 2008 minutes – The notes of the April 2008 Music Booster Corporation meeting were distributed, reviewed, and approved with corrections. [05/12/2008:01 Motion by Semeraro and second Badger; motion carried.]

Action by Semeraro.

III. Treasurer's Report – Max Guthrie, Assistant Treasurer, provided the Music Booster Corporation Treasurer's report. No financial activity was reported. [05/12/2008:02 Motion by Conrad and seconded by Badger; motion carried to approve the Treasurer's report.]

IV. M-S Hawaii Report – Cindi Eustice distributed the April 2008 financial report. With the final payment submitted to Gateway, the bank account was closed and remaining funds were transferred to the school's choral account for any future payments. Chris Johnson expressed her personal thanks to Cindi for overseeing the trip finances.

Old Business

I. Hawaii Trip Update – Leslie Manfredo reported that a general trip meeting (TSA representative present) was held last week. And that a chaperone meeting was just held. The next trip meeting is scheduled for June 5. This is a mandatory for anyone traveling with the group. A detail trip schedule will be distributed and procedures for the June 9 departure will be discussed. Performance rehearsals are scheduled for the week of June 1st, with a joint rehearsal (band and chorus) on June 5th.

Jill Rinkel announced that the performance polo shirts are in and will be distributed at the June 5th meeting.

II. Band Tower Garage Door – Michael Stevens reported that to replace the overhead door

and brackets is estimated at \$750.00. This should be completed by the end of the school year. [Recorder's notes: the organization approved up to \$1000 to replace or repair the overhead door at the October 8, 2007 meeting.]

New Business

- I. Review of the 2008 Financial Books** – The 2007-2008 financial books need to be reviewed this summer. Suggestions should be directed to Karen Badger.

- II. CD Instruments** – The Board was asked to consider transferring funds to a CD since the current bank account does not earn or post interest. [05/12/08:03 Motion by Badger, seconded by Lecouris; motion carried to invest \$25,000 in a 3 month CD at Busey.]
Action by Guthrie.

- III. Marching Band** – Michael Steven reported that the marching band field show drill writer's expense is estimated at \$3,400 and asked the organization to underwrite this expense. [05/12/08:04: Motion by Johnson, seconded by Semeraro; motion carried to amend the old budget by creating a line item expense "Marching Band expense" for \$3,400.]
Action by Guthrie.

Staff Reports

- I. Matt Kutyllo** – For the May 2008 band concert, he has been working with Leslie Knicl and Melissa Lynch in creating a color program recognizing all band members and highlighting the seniors. He has solicited outside funding but not enough to cover the full printing expense. He asked the organization to cover the shortfall of \$290. [05/12/08:05: Motion by Badger, seconded by Michael Stevens: motion carried.]

- II. Michael Stevens** – The final band concerts are this week. The 8th grade will perform a medley of Tim Burton music and music from 007. The 8th grade band will join the High School band to perform the parade tune, "Trombone King."

The High School band will perform the Hawaii trip music for their concert. Also, the band will perform at the High School graduation.

For the Marching Band season – guard start rehearsing this month and section leaders should be selected next week.

The 5th and 6th grade band performances were last week.

- III. Leslie Manfredo** — As reported last month, the Mahomet-Seymour school district Board of Education has appropriated funds to hire a full-time general music instructor for the Lincoln Trail Elementary School. We have just concluded interviews with four candidates for the full-time elementary music position at Lincoln Trail and hope to make a decision

within the next week. There were about 30 applicants and chose to interview the top four. We were fortunate to have had very strong candidates.

Choral Pops Concert on Thursday, May 15th beginning at 7:00 pm. Joint with the Junior High Choirs. Following the JH medley, JH men, HS men, and HS medley of Rodgers and Hammerstein on Broadway, we will distribute the Senior Choral Awards.

Voice Recital – Thursday, May 22 at 6pm. Each year we hold a voice recital for any of our voice students who are studying privately to give them the opportunity to showcase their studies by performing a piece they have been working on. This is the same night as the Senior awards, so we are beginning at 6:00 and will schedule the Seniors first.

Summer lessons will be scheduled on Monday and Tuesday from 10-5. Lesson prices have been increased to \$14.00 per half hour (we haven't increased in several years). Lessons will not begin until June 17th and will continue through the summer. All three of our voice teachers will be teaching over the summer.

District folders will be available for “purchase” of \$22 beginning on May 30th. Students can get a jump on learning the audition music for the District/All-State audition on October 13th.

2008 Madrigals will begin rehearsing on June 3rd from 11-3.

Leslie announced has been accepted into the Educational Organization and Leadership program at the U of I beginning in the Fall of 2008. She will be working on a second Master's degree in Administration for the next 2 years. Classes will meet on Monday and Wednesday evenings, so Leslie will not be able to attend Music Booster meetings for awhile. However, she will submit reports through Jill or directly to Karen to keep the organization informed as to what is happening. And Jill can always answer any questions we may have. Leslie will attend meetings when classes aren't scheduled.

IV. **Jill Rinkel** — the Junior High choral performance will focus on 60's with a twist. And she will be attending a music camp on June 23, 2008.

Election of 2008-2009 Board—The proposed Board of Directors members were announced.

Karen Badger, Billie Waddell, Barb Semeraro, Cindy Tarrant, Karen Conrad, Cindi Eustice, Alison Lecouris, Dianne Telschow, Nancy Tolar, Matt Kutyllo, Leslie Manfredo, Michael Stevens and Jill Rinkel

[05/12/08:06: Motion by Kutyllo, seconded by Conrad; motion carried to elect the announced members as Board of Directors.]

Chris thanked her current board for all the support she has received this past year. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Semeraro
Meeting Secretary

May 12, 2008 summary of motions. Approved by majority vote.

- 05/12/08: 01 Approved April 2008 minutes with corrections.
- 05/12/08:02 Approved April 2008 Treasurer's report.
- 05/12/08:03 Approve transferring \$25,000 from the organization's financial account and open a 3 month CD at Busey.
- 05/12/08:04 Approve the expenditure of \$3,400.
- 05/12/08:05 Approve the expenditure of \$290.
- 05/12/08:06 Elect the 2008-2009 Board of Directors.