



# MAHOMET SEYMOUR MUSIC BOOSTERS

## Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 10, 2015

7:00 p.m. Mahomet-Seymour High School

**Board of Directors:** Susan Bundy, Ellen Ericson, Lori Kietzmann, Nicole Kuglich, Donnita Harris, Janis Mason, Jill Rinkel, Bobbie Schnitkey, Kate Smith, Mary Smith

**Members:** Tara Buhrman, Donna Crow, Lisa Cosimini, Eric Hawkey, Nicole Jes-sup, Kathy Love, Christine Winkless,

**I. Call to Order** – Kate Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Roll Call**—Lori Kietzmann called roll. 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.

**II. Review and Approval of May 2015 Meeting Minutes** –

\*\*Jan Mason motioned to accept the minutes as presented and Mary Smith seconded. The motion was approved.

**III. Treasurer's Report** – Bobby Schnitkey presented the Profit and Loss Statement of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. She said that the Discretionary Fund was over budget due to the purchase of the new uniform trailer.

\*\*Ellen Ericson motioned to accept the report as presented and Jan Mason seconded. The motion was approved.

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#### **IV. Information for New Parents**

##### **A. Definition of Board of Directors, Officers, and Members - brief recap for new parents**

##### **B. Introduction of all present**

Kate Smith asked everyone present, the board of directors, officers and members, to go around the room and introduce themselves.

##### **C. Meeting Dates**

Music Boosters will meet the second Monday of the month during the 2015-16 school year, except for the October meeting, which will be the first Monday of that month and December, in which there will be no meeting. There are no meetings in June or July, either.

##### **Meeting Schedule:**

September 14  
October 5  
November 9  
December (no meeting)  
January 11  
February 8  
March 14  
April 11  
May 9

#### **V. Upcoming Booster Activities and Events**

##### **A. Dawgpalooza, September 11 - Kate Smith/Jan Mason**

This is the 13th year for Dawgpalooza, a joint Music Booster/Athletic Booster fundraiser, which will be held on Sept. 11. A Volunteer Spot email will be sent out in the upcoming weeks so that parents can sign up to help. They will especially need clean-up helpers. All volunteers will get a free Dawgpalooza t-shirt.

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## **B. Marching Bulldog Festival, October 17 - Mary Smith/Bobby Schnitkey**

Mary Smith and Bobby Schnitkey are co-chairing the 26th annual Marching Bulldog Festival, our annual marching band competition/fundraiser, which will be held on October 17. Fifteen bands have signed up so far. All chair positions have been filled. They will be sending out a Volunteer Spot email so that people can sign up to help. They will need over 150 volunteers, with extra parents needed around 5:00-6:00pm, when our band members will have to leave to get ready for their show. There will be a committee meeting on Aug. 20.

## **C. Summer Camp Scholarship Deadline - September 1**

Any child that went to a summer music program can get a small reimbursement if they fill out the camp scholarship form by Sept. 1.

### **VI. Old Business**

none

### **VI. New Business**

Kate Smith announced that Donnita Harris will be stepping down from the Treasurer position. If approved, Christine Winkless will be taking over the position next month.

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## VIII. Music Director Reports

### Jill Rinkel

"In June, I attended the ACDA (American Choral Directors Association) summer conference at Illinois State University. This conference offers reading sessions of new repertoire and a variety of workshops by some of the best directors in the world. Several of our 9th and 10th grade students participated in a choir under the direction of Rick Bjella. It was a wonderful opportunity for the students and the directors to observe the choral techniques of a well-known and respected clinician.

In June, the madrigals sang the National Anthem for the Blues, Brews and BBQ Festival in Champaign. They have been rehearsing every Monday throughout the summer, and they sound great! They will present a 'Preview Performance' for family and friends on Monday, August 17th at 7:00pm in the Chorus Room.

Over 30 students have 'purchased' District folders (registration fee, music, information and CD) and we will begin rehearsals the first full week of school. Auditions take place on Columbus Day (Oct. 12). We will also have National Anthem auditions for all home games that week as well. Students in Chamber Choir may opt to participate in the Millikin Vocal Festival on September 20-21 (Sunday-Monday). Audition forms will be due on August 26th.

Over the summer, I updated the formal attire database. Students will need black dress shoes in a couple of weeks and I will need help during the day with fitting students in their formal attire, recording information and mending. Our first concert is November 12th. I am looking forward to a great year!"

### Nicole Kuglich

The District Chorus is open to 7th and 8th grade chorus students. Auditions will be held soon for 8th grade National Anthem singers. The Jr. High 6th and 7th grade band and chorus will now be divided due to larger enrollment.

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## IX. Music Booster comments

Lisa Cosimini said that the Music Boosters were accepted as one of the charities supported by the Krazy K race. If someone registers and chooses the M-S Music Boosters as their charity, we get 85% of the registration fee.

## XI. Adjourn

\*\*Jan Mason motioned to adjourn, and it was seconded by Mary Smith. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34pm.

The next meeting will be September 17, 2015 at 7pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Lori Kietzmann  
Music Booster Secretary

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