

Music Boosters Meeting Minutes – October 8, 2018

Attendees: Jodi Kessler, Matt Gardner, Wendy Lindsey-Head, Karin Benjamin, Kristen Brown, Becky Brown, Kyle Phillips, Walter Wyder, Mindy McGregor, Robin Gandert, Robyn Russell, Diane Green, Jody Petersman, Mary Stuever, Lindsey Young, Tom Benjamin

Meeting Called to Order at 7:02pm

Introductions

Secretary's Report:

Motion made by Matt Gardner to approve minutes from June 4, 2018 meeting. Robyn Russell 2nd that motion. Minutes approved as presented. Membership update with 58 members and 2 corporate sponsors

Treasurer's Report:

Report was distributed and shared

Teacher's Report:

Music Report for PMB 10-08-18

Department News:

Mark Brueggman (PHS alumni 1966) is donating a double-manual harpsichord to the Music Boosters. This harpsichord was hand-made by Mark's father, John Brueggman and was kept for years as his best, personal instrument he made. He made several harpsichords for CCM in the 1950s-1960s. David went to their house to see it, play it, measure it, etc. It is 7.5 feet long. Mr. Brueggman and David will bring the instrument to PHS in early November. The family wants the instrument or the money from the sale of the instrument to benefit the Music Boosters. David is bringing in Eric Wolfley, from the CSO, to give an estimate on the value of the instrument and also an estimate on repairs.

Princeton Music Department Video Update:

10/1 DSCLSR was in the department conducting interviews for 11 music staff, 7 students, and 3 parents. Mr. Burton also interviewed for the video.

10/5 DSCLSR was in the department in classrooms collecting footage for the video DSCLRR also getting footage at 10/4 PHS Choir Concert, 10/5 PHS Marching Band game, 10/9 PHS Jazz Concert, and 10/16 Aunt Rhodie Concert.

Timeline puts Editing October/November, with delivery of final video end of November.

It's PHS Band, Orchestra and Choir Composite Picture Time! October 8 and 9 ONLY.

Composite pictures are only taken once every three years. Princeton pays for the 3 composites to be made (\$400 each/\$1200 total) and the boosters pay to frame them.

Getting composite picture taken for the students is free, but they will have opportunity to purchase once proofs are available.

Band Report

The PCMS Bands had a great performance at Band Night! Almost 300 students performed Respect, Great Balls of Fire, and Go Princeton. Thanks to our middle school Principals, Dr. Mackzum, James Stallworth, and Deborah Amodio for conducting the combined bands. Both Concert Band and Seventh Grade Band are moving into Book Two and are starting to work on music for December 20, 2018.

Concert Band is excited to travel to Chicago in May. Thanks to Shelley Miley for arranging the candle sale for the first Chicago Fundraiser.

The Pride of Princeton Marching Band is in the preliminary steps of replacing their uniforms. The band staff has met with both Mr. Burton, superintendent, and Dwight Miller of Stanbury Uniforms. We have settled on a final design for the new uniforms (pass out and collect sample). The next steps will be board approval of the design and then to get students measured. The current timeline is to debut the new uniforms for the fall 2019 season.

We are getting ready to transition from marching season to concert season.

Marching Band/Cadet Band 10/8-10/10

Symphonic/Scarlet/Gray 10/16-10/19

Marching Band/Cadet Band 10/22-10/26

Symphonic/Scarlet/Gray 10/29 and on.

Congratulations to the following band students for being selected for prestigious ensembles!

CYWE (Cincinnati Youth Wind Ensemble)

Maria Leonhardt, clarinet

Nathan Rengering, clarinet

CYSB (Cincinnati Youth Symphonic Band)

Brandon Rengering, tenor sax

Junior CYWE

Leah Bracknell, alto sax

PCMS Bands

Seventh Grade Band and Concert Band are working on skills in Book 2 as well as music for the Holiday Concert on December 20. Students in both bands are telling friends and family about the Mattress Sale!

Concert Band is having a poinsettia sale fundraiser for students going to Chicago!

Orchestra Report

Congratulations to the following students!

CSYO: Philharmonic

Lileth Stricklin- Violin

CSYO: Concert Orchestra

Meg Sams- Viola

Noah Torlop- Viola

CSYO: Nouveau Chamber Players

Lileth Stricklin, violin

Noah Torlop, viola

OMEA Southwest Regional Orchestra:

Lileth Stricklin

Olivia Claussen
Taylor Hoog

Cincinnati Junior Strings:
Kindall Benjamin, Bass
Nhu Le, Violin

The Orchestra Dept is currently being held together by the strength and grit of Marie Knueven. She is single-handedly holding down the fort in While Syndy Casey is out recovering from surgery. She is preparing the 6th graders for Aunt Rhodie and also for our first annual Halloween Concert. While we had hoped to do more for this event, we would love for the boosters to embrace the opportunity to sell and fundraise in the lobby before, during, and after this concert as desired.

There is no one more deserving of love and support than Ms Knueven. She is having her baptism by fire right about now, and any help and support you deem appropriate is welcome!

As always, thank you for what you do for us!

Choir Report

The PCMS choirs held their Fall Choral Concert on Oct. 2. The 6th, 7th, 8th and Concert Choirs sang and also watched the concert. All of the students did a great job performing! The Concert Choir is now preparing for their Veteran's Day Concert as well as the Holiday Concert. The 6th Grade Choir is preparing to sing "He Shall Feed His Flock" in the Messiah Concert and are also working on holiday music. The 7th and 8th grade choirs are starting their holiday tunes as well. The Concert Choir and Concert Orchestra are traveling together to Louisville, KY in May. We will visit Kammerer Middle School, take in the Louisville Symphony Orchestra and Choir performing Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, and spend time at Kentucky Kingdom. We, as well as band, just held a candle sale fundraiser to give students a way to raise money for their trip. PHS Choirs just completed their Fall Concert, and are heading into Messiah Preparation, as well as December concert music. The Choraliers will be traveling to the UAW in Evendale on December 4th to perform for their retirees chapter luncheon.

Jazz Report

PHS Jazz Bands have their debut performance on Tuesday, October 9th at 7:00 pm in Matthews Auditorium. The concert will feature Jazz Lab Band and Jazz Ensemble performing a salute to the great jazz vocalists of all time, including but not limited to: Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, Peggy Lee, Dean Martin, Michael Bubl , and many more. The concert will feature guest vocalists Mrs. Shelley Miley, Mrs. Jackie Ballman (PCMS/PHS choir directors), and Mr. Sean Hurley (husband of PHS music teacher Heather Hurley and choir director at Jacob Coy Middle School).

PHS Jazz is also planning a trip to Memphis for March 2019. The first two rounds of payments have been submitted, with the third due in November. Trip highlights will include: jazz clinic at University of Memphis, Graceland, Beale Street, Rock and Soul Museum, Gibson Guitar Museum, Sun Studio, etc.

Uniforms update: New uniforms for female Jazz performers presented by Robyn Russell. Cost is about \$70/each.
Currently have about 28 unpaid fees this year.

Becky Brown spoke as an advocate for Pat Bruns who is running for State Board of Education. Big supporter of the Arts in schools.

President's Report:

Fundraising: Buddy Cards, buttons, hair bows, star grams, spirit wear, Mattress Sale on November 17th, Chipotle –December 16, Kona Ice for 6th grade concert.

Basket Raffle: Looking for a volunteer or two to put together raffle baskets for our winter shows. Contact Jodi Kessler if interested.

We will be promoting the Princeton Education Foundation Gala. March 9, 2019.
We will advertise the Gala through our concert programs and social media.

Football concessions: Athletic boosters has made some upgrades to the concession stands. Music Boosters has been asked to donate \$500 to the athletic boosters to help fund these upgrades. Floor was opened for discussion. Motion was made to write a check for \$500 to Princeton Athletic Boosters. Diane Green 2nd. Vote YES: 6
Opposed: 5

By-Laws updates: request to omit text Article 9 which specifies the classes of membership. Suggested to strike all text that calls out all the levels. Replace with All memberships shall be for one year. Review and will vote on it next meeting.

Open Forum:

Walter Wyder stated in the past Music Boosters made a lot of money selling fruit cakes made by Texas Manor Company.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Jodi Kessler. Matt Gardner 2nd.