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## **Music Boosters Meeting Minutes – April 1, 2019**

**Attendees:** Jodi Kessler, Matt Gardner, Wendy Lindsey, Karin Benjamin, Anna Johnson, Kristen Brown, Shelly Miley, Tara Buell, Robin Gandert, Robyn Russell, Tom Benjamin and Jon Simons.

### **Meeting Called to Order at 7:04pm**

#### **Secretary's Report:**

Motion made by Matt Gardner to approve minutes from March 4, 2019 meeting. Tom Benjamin 2<sup>nd</sup> that motion. Minutes approved as presented.  
Membership update with 97 members and 6 corporate sponsors

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Financial Report was distributed and shared.

#### **Teacher's Report:**

Request for \$1300 to have DSCLSR team make us a new Recruit Video in May 2019 to show to each year's 5th graders beginning in March of 2020.

#### **Department News:**

Princeton City School District named a 2019 Best Community for Music Education!

Try It and Sign Up Nights are April 2 & 3, 6:00-8:00pm in PCMS Cafeteria. Adding Button Stickers for exit from Try It Night.

PHS Band and Orchestra Disney 2020 Itinerary, Permission Slip and Deposit Information presented to students during class on 4/17 and at a Parent Meeting at 6:00pm in the HS band room. Online deposits accepted beginning 4/18 for the first 157 registrations.

#### **Performing Music Seniors Data:**

2019 94 (includes students in more than one group)  
2018 89 (includes students in more than one group)  
2017 74 (includes students in more than one group)

Sharonville Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, March 16 performances all went well. Special thanks to all of the Glendale Elementary, PCMS, and PHS students who volunteered to play:

Lilli Edmiston, Leah Bracknell, Ryan Benjamin, Jake Culter, Matthew Hardman, Julia Kufeldt, Noah Torlop, Aniya Julious, Renee Cox, Skylar Adams, Leona Messer, Annette Stricklin, Lileth Stricklin, Amber McGuire, Andrew McDaniel, Ella Hiles, Stephanie Garcia, and Emaewet Joshua.

#### Band Report

PHS Symphonic Band performed at OMEA District 14 Large Group Band Adjudicated Event on Friday, 3/15, and received at Superior Rating. Thanks to all the parents who made the trek to Harrison to support them! They also performed at the Festival of Arts on 3/17 and the PHS Band Concert on 3/12

#### Orchestra Report

PCMS Concert and 8th Grade Orchestras are sending 25 solo and ensemble events to OMEA District 14 Solo and Ensemble Contest this Saturday, April, 6 at Nagel Middle School.

PHS Scarlet, Gray, and Symphonic Orchestras are preparing for their final concert which will be on Thursday, May 2nd.

PCMS Concert Orchestra is preparing for their trip to Louisville on May 10 and 11.

6th Grade, 7th Grade, 8th Grade, and PCMS Concert Orchestras are preparing for their concert on Wednesday, May 22nd.

#### Choir Report

The HS choir department is gearing up for the spring concert scheduled for May 1. All four HS choirs + VCE will be performing that night. The spring concert is also our Senior Recognition Night as we graduate 27 seniors!

A Cappella Choir and VCE have been asked by Mr. Burton to perform at the PHS Community Breakfast on May 2. A Cappella Choir will perform "This is Me" and "A Million Dreams" and VCE will be performing the Michael Jackson medley from the VCE SHOWCASE.

Viking Voices Men's Choir will be traveling to Evendale Elementary in May to sing for the teachers and students. The boys have a couple of special surprise songs to sing for Mrs. Staton's retirement (for example: "For She's a Jolly Good Viking!").

OPERA EXPRESS, which is sponsored by the Cincinnati Opera, is coming to PHS to perform in May for the high school choirs! This small traveling cast of 3 opera singers will perform short scenes from operas for our students during the regular choir classes.

The Middle School choirs had great March concerts. The 6th and 7th grade choirs collaborated on two songs for the March 6 concert, and the Concert Choir and 8th grade choirs performed as a mass choir at Festival of Arts. The 6th, 7th, 8th grade and Concert Choirs are now preparing for their May concert. The Concert Choir is also preparing to go to Louisville, KY along with the Concert Orchestra on May 10-11 for a joint concert with the Kammerer Middle School Students. Syndy and I traveled to Louisville over spring break to meet our host teachers, see their facilities, and meet their students. Syndy and I both got a chance to not only talk to all the teachers, but also to work with their students.

### Jazz Report

#### Memphis recap:

The Memphis trip was a tremendous success from our send off concert in Matthews all the way to our performance at Newby's. We are very proud of how our members conducted themselves as positive representatives of our jazz program and our school district. In addition to the museums and sites visited, the members participated in a jazz clinic/workshop with Dr. Jack Cooper, director of jazz studies at the University of Memphis. At the end of our time together, Dr. Cooper stated that Princeton really does have something special in their jazz program. He was thoroughly impressed with the level of playing displayed by both bands. Certainly, the highlight of the trip was the performance at Newby's Club. Jazz Lab Band, Jazz Ensemble, and the Southern Comfort Jazz Orchestra lead by Dr. Cooper, enjoyed performing great jazz for a live audience.

A special thank you to the adult chaperones and Dawn Stallard for accompanying us on the trip. Their support and effort truly made the difference on our trip. Especially, when we unfortunately had to deal with a van that was broken into. The adult chaperones kept their sense of humor and dealt with the situation admirably.

And finally, Thank you to the music boosters for their continued support of our jazz program.

### **President's Report:**

Special Thank you to everyone running Star Gram tables.

Horror Hound parking brought in \$1626 to the Music Boosters

Yard Signs have been purchased to sell at the Try It Nights.

Need Volunteers for Try It Nights-handing out free posters, candy, & stickers. We will be selling signs for \$15.

All memberships sold now will count for 2019-2020. Matt is working on creating new forms.

Ice Cream truck has been secured for 4/30 and 5/23.

Katie's Cookies was disappointed in how things ended up at the Festival of the Arts. We have thanked her for her business but have decided to part ways with her.

2019-2020 budget meeting set for April 4, 2019.

Confirmed the mattress sale will be November 16, 2019.

Advocacy in Action Award submissions have begun

Blink (Oct 10) application is due soon.

2019-2020 Meeting dates: 10/7, 11/4, 12/2, 2/3, 3/2, 4/6 & 5/4

Nomination Committee Report: The following have been nominated:

~Tom Benjamin, VP

~Wendy Lindsey, Treasurer

~Karin Benjamin, Secretary

If you have nominations for these offices for 2019-2020, please let Matt Gardner, Robin Gandert or Robyn Russell know prior to next meeting date on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

Home Football Games for 2019:

9/6 Withrow, 9/20 Colerain, 10/11 Fairfield, 10/25 Lakota West, 11/1 Mason Athletic Boosters will run the 3 Moeller games (9/13, 10/4, & 10/19)

Sign up Genius and Planning Committee needed to set pricing and products.

Fall Spirit Wear Sale Design needed

What are band camp needs? Do we want to feed Marching Band before games? Kristen Brown to take idea back to Kyle Phillips.

### **Open Forum:**

Anna Johnson made a motion to spend up to \$1300 on a new recruitment video to be filmed in May 2019 and released in 2020 for recruitment of 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. The proposal received is for \$1229.11. Jodi Kessler seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

Jodi Kessler made a motion to award up to (2) Joan Meir Scholarships for the 2019 year at \$750 each. Jon Simons seconded this motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Robyn Russell would like to add to our traveling student uniform policy to include all uniform parts must be turned in prior to traveling. (ie: Jazz band members who just traveled to Memphis needed to have Marching band uniforms turned in).

Motion made by Jodi Kessler to adjourn the meeting at 8:19. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wendy Lindsey.

