

WESTERN BRANCH ORCHESTRA PARENT'S ASSOCIATION, INC. BOARD MEETING
Thursday, January 19, 2017
6:30 PM Western Branch High School Orchestra Room

Attendees:

Melody Darby – Vice-President
Jane Clark – Treasurer
Martin Glasco – Director WBHS
Alice Glasco – Director WBMS
Leah Rosenberg – Director JMS

Kelley James – Secretary
Patty Grimes – Member at Large
Crystal Hastings – Uniform Coordinator
Susan Hodges – WBM Liaison

PRESIDENT

Per Alicia via report, thank you everyone for successful events: Ham Sale, Mark Wood, and Kroger.

-An email was sent from Liz Stoddard suggesting she and her mother make a quilt that could be raffled. They would donate the first \$500 and then ask for 10% return on anything above \$500 not to exceed the investment. Martin clarified the size of the quilt would be an extra long twin and the board thought it was a great idea. It was discussed to start sales early next school year and to hold the drawing in December. The winner would not have to be present to win.

-Vacant positions for the next school year will be: Secretary, Uniform Coordinator, Flower Sales, and Raffle Coordinator. Shauna England has expressed interest in taking over the Flower Sales.

BUDGET

Per Jane, WBMS and JMS had successful raffles.

-Kroger was successful for first time and fairly comparable to Sam's for fundraising.

WBHS DIRECTOR

Per Martin, students were told they must complete the full two hours in a shift at Kroger to get credit and no partial credit would be allowed. He will look at setting a limit for how many consecutive shifts a student can sign up for so they do not end up working too long.

-Due to snow days, concerts with the elementary students were cancelled and could not be rescheduled in the auditorium, as it was no longer available to the orchestra. The Cammerata Orchestra will be performing at Southwestern on Jan 24, Chittum on Jan 25 at 6:30 and 7:30, and WBI at WBMS at 6:30 and 7:30.

-The Board decided Raffles would not be held for the elementary concerts because of the multiple times.

-Martin will push to move concerts with the elementary schools to December dates as the Orchestra has first priority to use the auditorium for that month.

-Nashville trip for Zero bell will be Apr 20 – 24. Will leave after the Academic Awards Banquet at 11pm and return Monday evening. Martin looking at costs and scheduling activities and also possibly returning on Sunday.

Washington DC trip will be Apr 27 – 29. Itinerary will be the same as last years.

- All state Orchestra is Apr 6 – 8 and tryouts are Feb 25. If a student is selected, WBOPA will cover expenses.
- Assessments will be the first week in March.

MARK WOOD

Per Patty, concerts brought in a profit of around \$5300 and it was beneficial to have performed the two concerts.

FUNDRAISING

Per Melody, Ham Sales were \$2880 and will be distributed to students' accounts that sold hams.

-Ham Sales for Spring: Forms will be handed out Feb 21, orders will be due Mar 9, and pick-up will be Apr 4. The board decided to only offer one flavor of ham, brown sugar, to decrease chance of a mix up on orders and people can choose not to use the glaze included with the brown sugar to have the smoked flavor.

-Kroger was very successful and accommodating to students. Per Susan, the store manager, Ricky Green, told her the kids behavior was outstanding and would like to have them back July 1 & 2, Nov 18 & 19, and Dec 4 & 5 as those are some of their busiest weekends. The board decided to continue with Kroger and to possibly perform in Feb.

HOSPITALITY

Per Carol Ann per report, church has been booked for Senior Banquet.

OLD BUSINESS

Per Patty, revised By-Laws were emailed out to the board for review. One revision was regarding amendment changes to be approved by the board and then final approval by a vote by the general members rather than board approval, general members approval, and then back to the board for final approval. Other revisions were for board positions tenure to start July 1 and end in June so members would be able to finish during the current school year and to hold two general meetings per year. The first meeting would be at the beginning of the year to introduce the budget and the second would be at the end to approve election of new board members.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 16th, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the WBHS Orchestra Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Minutes typed and respectfully submitted,
Kelley James, WBOPA Secretary