



January 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes at 6:30 pm

Call to order: 6:32pm

Restoring Music Program Discussion:

Introduced Lisa Sauer to get some parent ideas on ways we would like to prioritize from spending, from a music program perspective.

Lisa led the group, getting parents and people to propose their ideas in the areas of:

- Programming -Top Ideas:
 - Pick an instrument earlier - start in 5th Grade
 - More lessons/smaller lesson groups (2 to 3 kids in a 20 minute slot)
 - Evening concerts for elementary
- Staffing - Top Ideas:
 - Teachers need reasonable schedules
- Capital funds - Top Ideas:
 - Instrument replacement
 - Discrepancies between rental and use for larger instruments (Tuba/Cello/French Horn)

The group wrote their ideas and shared them. The music programs teachers are compiling the ideas.

Updates on NYC 2020 Trip:

Dave Livermore and John Guidry shared information about the new 2020 trip that will be NYC.

- Dave shared the itinerary from last time they went since it will be similar
- We are ahead on planning for this, dates - March 21-15, 2020
- Info going out soon

Working Sessions: 7:30 pm

Officer/Committee Reports:

- **Advocacy Committee & President's Report** - Laura Livermore, FLAMB President
 - See update from Lisa Sauer
 - Wanted to talk to group about promoting Forest Lake schools with MN Legislators
 - Teachers Union (Education Minnesota) often sends interested teachers to lobby day. There they meet with legislators to review concerns.
 - Get a group of Teachers, Parents, Students together to represent this day or in a separate effort.
 - Laura can start with the union to see if we can get a release day for teachers, if Union can't, then possibly have FLAMB cover sub days.
 - Tri-M group for students? Tri-M goes to the capital
 - Letter writing campaign
 - In conjunction with the lobby day.
 - Students/Parents

- Have music teachers include representatives in our district to express your concerns.
- Laura and those interested will meet following the meeting to put a plan together. Education Minnesota can possibly help with setting up meetings.
- **Fundraising Committee Report** - Rebecca Gibson, FLAMB Fundraising Coordinator
 - Pizza cards (Papa Murphy's) are coming up - when do we want to start. Lasts for 30 days after start.
 - When to sell?
 - January 23 kick-off
 - Plan a sell door-to-door 'Blitz' day (Jan 27th)?
 - How many cards do we order?
 - Start with 200 - we can re-order.
 - Kids will pre-purchase and sell the cards.
 - These are the 10 locations (limited to 10):

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| ● Forest Lake | ● White Bear |
| ● Hugo | ● Vadnais Heights |
| ● Circle Pines | ● Stillwater |
| ● North Branch | ● St. Paul |
| ● Blaine | ● Minneapolis |
 - We get 75% of profit.
 - Seniors can designate where they want their earned money.
 - A form will be devised for all seniors to designate their money to.
 - Mattress Sale - Spring date for next (deciding). At Stella's again.
 - Kids get \$25 for each mattress sold
- **Outreach Committee & V.P. Report** - Holly Wojciechowski, FLAMB Vice-President
 - Dueling Pianos on Feb. 22 at the Forest Lake Legion.
 - What are we doing it for?
 - It was fun
 - Generated a lot of \$
 - Money generated will go to scholarships
 - Needs:
 - Advertising - Outreach group
 - Laura will talk to Mary about getting posters made
 - Tickets - at door only - \$20 cost (cash only)
 - Kelly will get a stamp for the door
 - Volunteers to take tickets
 - Set-up
 - Someone to coordinate raffle - Michelle

Business:

- Officer/Committee Reports -
 - No reports at this meeting.
- John Gorka Concert - March 16, 7:30pm - at the FLHS Auditorium
 - How can we help Tri-M (concert sponsored by Tri-M)
 - Create Facebook event
 - Info at Dueling Pianos
 - Newspaper, contact district communications officer
 - Money raised will go the Scholarship fund

- June Quevedo looked into somethings. We will need to get details together for this if we are going to do this for this year.
- Post on scholarship website for the scholarship event on Jan. 23.
 - Debbie LeGeault and June Quevedo will work on it and update at next meeting.
 - Laura will talk to Rachel Gould as well to let her know they are working on it.

Old Business:

- Officer Incentive Ideas:
 - Still working on, there's a link in the agenda to a shared doc for everyone to share ideas.
- Bethel Concert - April 26, 2019 - Need to keep on top of mind.
 - Will need people to help sell tickets, water, roses.
 - Money goes to general fund (note: this is a break-even event, little to no profit is made), not toward student volunteers - volunteers should be able to still listen to the concert.

New Business:

- What should we do with our general fund money?

Adjourned: Michelle moved to adjourn at 8:41, Dave seconded, meeting adjourned