

## October 12, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Call to order at: 6:30

- President's Report Laura Livermore
  - Met with Junior High music teachers to determine their needs.
    - Biggest item is the transition next year with the 7th and 8th graders all at Century.
    - Hoping Tri-M and parent volunteers can help with organizing and cleaning.
    - Also wanting help with fundraising.
    - JH parent liaison looking for a volunteer for this. No volunteers came forward at this time.
  - Volunteers at Lucille's Vintage Market Tri-M students helped out with this Received a Thank You card and a \$150 donation to FLAMB.
- Vice President's Report Holly Wojciechowski
  - Holiday gigs Have listing of all possible gigs and local businesses to contact.
    - Mr Livermore Going to get dates and commitments from kids first and then can call local businesses.
    - Should have dates and student groups locked in by 11/3.
    - Need volunteers to help make calls and set up gigs and need parents to supervise at the gigs. No volunteers came forward at this time.
    - Suggestion to advertise in The Times when the gigs are scheduled or put in HS Daily Announcements.
- Secretary's Report Lois Janke
  - Website updates
    - Updated the main page and About FLAMB page with new board members.
      - Need to correct to show open Fundraising Coordinator position.
    - Updated the Fundraising page with candy bar sales info.
    - Updated the Nashville Trip page with all forms and information sheets.
- Treasurer's Report Donna Thomas/Julie Corcoran
  - Total in all accounts is approx \$48k.
  - Need a larger safe for the Sr High and maybe a safe for the Jr High(s).
    - Donna will research the cost and will come to the next meeting with estimated costs.
  - Quick Books Julie and Donna would really like to transition to this format.
    - On-line version approximately \$100 per year.
    - Donna made motion to approve the cost up to \$500 annually.
    - Kari Carlson seconded
    - Motion passed
- Fundraising Report
  - Election of Fundraising Chair -
    - Average time per week communicating via email with the various vendors is about 2
       3 hours.

- There is one parent who is willing to help and can help with the school pieces.
- Holly W offered to help until someone steps forward.
- Will ask about having a parent meeting at the Hauntcert.
- Current Fundraisers: Candy bars, root beer floats
- o Upcoming fundraisers: butter braids, coffee, cheesecake
  - Kari Carlson offered to input the Butter Braid orders if a sale is set up.
- Dueling Pianos fundraising event:
  - Chalie O can do Friday, 1/19, will discount \$1500 fee to \$1200
  - Laura has a message in at Stellas also to the Legion.
  - What about Split Rocks or Running Aces?
  - Becky Mcelhone offered to help with this. Will contact the FL American Legion to see if 1/19 is available.
- Mattress Sale -- Sunday, November 12, at Stella's
  - Missy Mattress Sales Rep gave information about this year's sale.
  - Annual sales fundraiser good for earning high profits in a single day.
  - Last year Music dept raised approx \$3500.
  - Just need to advertise and push the sale (flyers, signs, Facebook, text, etc) all provided by Missy.
  - Need to push for 5000 invites on Facebook
  - Would like to get classroom time and talk to the kids.
  - Only cost is Stella room fee split with Girls Hockey.
- Rootbeer Floats No update.
- Old Business
  - Nashville trip update by directors Mr Livermore
    - Registration forms in 3 ensembles close to 80 kids
    - Deadline to turn in additional registrations ASAP
    - 2nd payment due 11/1.
    - Need a male chaperone.
    - Kids are excited!
  - Vote on November 7 Levy/Bond vote All can vote early at Hardwood Creek Library
    - Very significant in order to retain the various music programs in Forest Lake.
- New Business
  - Hauntcert Mr Livermore It's covered.
  - Creating a Facebook page: Becky Mcelhone Would possibly be willing to create and maintain one.
  - Funding reguests -- Bags for formalwear; formalwear; safes for money collection?
    - Groups are getting larger so need more of the above.
    - Request from Mr Livermore and Mr Zumwalde for Band and Orchestra:
      - Approximately \$2500.00 requested for additional tuxes.
    - John Guidry request for additional clothing bags.
      - Approximately \$700.00 requested.
      - Kari Carlson motioned to approve these expenditures.
      - Julie Corcoran seconded
      - Motion approved
  - Creation of scholarship committee Rachael Gould would like to head up a committee to set up the rules for administering the fund.
    - Appox \$1500 currently in fund.
    - Need to figure out how to offer it and how the awards are made.
      - Rachael will investigate.

- Would like additional parents to help discuss and decide how this would be handled. No volunteers came forward at this time.
- Trailer update
  - Booster program owns the Music/Drumline trailer which is 20 years old and in much need of repair or may have to look to purchase a new trailer if unrepairable.
  - Jill Nesvold checking into what it might cost to repair or replace.
- o "Team" photos
  - Would like to have Music group and individual photos taken.
  - Would do on a concert night when students are in formal attire.
  - Mr Livermore checking into this further.
- Tri-M Lily Pope
  - Music Department Honors Society Help raise funds for the music department and does community service as well.
  - Very grateful for all that FLAMB does!

Finally, Mr Livermore thanked everyone who attended the meeting. Asked that everyone to ask other Music parents attend.

Question Raised: (didn't capture parent name)

What can we do to get more parent attendance and participation in FLAMB?

Maybe another day or time or location?

Will need to do some more thinking about how we can boost attendance?

Becky Mcelhone again commented about the need for a FLAMB Facebook page.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42

**Next meeting dates:** All parents of Forest Lake Area Schools music students are members of FLAMB. They are invited and encouraged to attend monthly meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 in the music department at FLHS.

Contact the directors for any information or questions regarding the trip:

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