

## **MPA Parent Meeting Minutes**

### **West Campus**

**Tuesday, November 10, 2015**

**Board Members Present:** Donna Beard, Patrice Costanzi, Jan Lassen, Nellie Santos, Shawna Powel, Kyle Costanzi, Nancy Chew, Kristy Deischer-Eddy, Carrie Fell

Board Members Absent: Susan Chindemi, Teresa Foster, Kathy Collier

**Music Directors Present:** Brent Lewis, Brian Lloyd, Matt McCloskey, Ed Otto, Adam Speakman

Music Directors Absent: Sherry Weaver

### **Donna Beard, President**

1. Thank you for working the East/West game at the concession stands, parents! We ran out of everything, including water and pretzels. We will need your help again for the following days this weekend:
  1. Friday there is an East game.
  2. We need help Saturday at 6:30 a.m. for Cavalcade. The first band steps off at 8:30 a.m.
  3. There's also a West game Saturday.
  4. Sunday is Cavalcade again.
2. Rhonda Marks volunteered to add pictures to the website. The link is [www.dhsmpa.org](http://www.dhsmpa.org). This newer website will be more Google-friendly.

## **Patrice Costanzi, Treasurer**

1. Gave handout for budgets for each music program and expense report through October. This doesn't include the past East/West game. We did very well Friday at the concession stand. This year, the Directors asked for an increase in their budgets. We want to make sure that if something unexpected happens during the year, we have a cushion, from the past year's profits.

## **Kyle Costanzi, Director of Food Services**

We really need all the help we can get this weekend, with Cavalcade and the games. Our supplier will re-stock between all the activities to make sure we don't run out of anything.

Donna mentioned the importance of volunteering at the concession stands, which is a major source of MPA's revenue for all the music programs. Neil Johnson, Kyle's predecessor, has put together a team to help re-stock supplies as they get low. Students, 14 years and older may volunteer. One person asked if we could ask the eighth grade parents to help.

## **Nancy Chew, Director of Ways & Means, East Co-chair**

1. We made \$3,800 profit from Pellman's fundraiser, with 77 students from East, West and STEM participated.
2. Tomorrow we will start selling gift cards:
  - WAWA shortie's at \$4 each (students get \$1 profit DSF)
  - Regal movie tickets at \$10 each (students get \$1.50)
  - Limoncello (15%)
  - Isaacs (15 to 20%)
  - Texas Roadhouse (10%)

This was sent electronically to everyone. The gift cards will run until Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. We will receive the cards on December 14 or before.

### **Carrie Fell, Director of Ways & Means, East Co-chair**

The Texas Roadhouse fundraiser made \$1,300, with 110 students participating. The profits will be recorded into the students DSF accounts within the next two weeks.

### **Matt McCloskey, West Choir**

1. Auditions for the Musical, “Chitti Chitti Bang Bang” are happening now .
2. Our concert is Friday, December 11.
3. Next Saturday, there will be District auditions at Rustin High School in the auditorium.

### **Brent Lewis, East Band**

1. Florida payment is due November 25.
2. Band rehearsal is Wednesday for the Holiday concert.
3. Friday night is the football game.

### **Adam Speakman, East Choir**

1. Here are East choir fliers for the performance on Thursday, December 17. These are discounted tickets for the upper mezzanine section. We’re buying them for \$35 and selling them for \$50 and profits go into the DSF accounts. If you sell three, this will cover your own ticket and you get to pocket \$10 in DSF account. November 30 is the deadline. Use your own

transportation, either ride with parents or take the train with a parent.

### **Ed Otto, West Band**

1. There is a combined band practice on November 18.
2. The new date for our concert is November 22.
3. The first indoor percussion meeting is November 19. This year, we will include seventh and eighth graders from LMS and DMS! Tomorrow night, we rehearse under the lights.
4. The jazz band will meet on Monday nights. Just show up, and you're in, no auditions.
5. Trip update: Price of the trip has been adjusted (lower) and the itinerary changed. We will be staying overnight in Orlando Palm Springs and Jacksonville. If parents are going to the bowl, the price is \$9 for adult pre-sale, \$12 at the gate, Students and seniors are \$8 at the gate, or \$7 pre-sale.

### **Brian Lloyd, Director, STEM choir, Theory/IB**

1. Sherry Weaver's orchestra concert will be November 20 at East.
2. Baltimore trip will be November 18 – 20.
3. Choral concert will be November 21.
4. I took 34 students today to the Martin Guitar Factory, where the students saw the instrument making process. Price was \$5 per student.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by: Jan Lassen, DHSMPA West Secretary