

Mountain View Music and Arts
Board/Booster Meeting, March 11, 2013 6:00 pm –MVHS

Attendees: Mark Gibson, Claire Reed, Terese Klug, Jennifer Hanna, Peter Toews and Phil Forman.

Absent: (from Board) Gordon McQueen, Lica Baldus, Janet Axline, Lesa Ramirez, Julie Ahlquist, Jenny Likes, Larissa Gibson, Sharon Morgan-Frakes.

MINUTES

Mark Gibson called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

February minutes and financial reports could not be accepted since there was not a quorum present.

There was a discussion of the proposed Resolution 2.2013.01 regarding the automatic transfer of available student Charms funds to pay for MVMA fees. It was agreed that the phrase in the old student account policy re: students depositing their own money into their Charms accounts should be eliminated. It was also agreed that the new policy should be adopted so that fees owed by students can be paid automatically when money is available in their Charms accounts. Since a quorum was not present, it was suggested that a vote on the policy could be conducted by email. Phil still has a problem with collecting unpaid choir fees because the fees are not district-approved. He will discuss this issue with MVHS Principal Kim Young.

Interim CBMS Principal Tiffany Miller will attend the April MVMA Meeting, according to information from Gordon McQueen. Pete will invite MVHS Principal Kim Young to the meeting as well, as suggested by Gordon. We will discuss ways to increase cooperation between the performing arts departments of both schools.

The Butter Braids fundraiser ends March 13. Sharon Morgan-Frakes (via email) requested one volunteer to help distribute the Butter Braids at MVHS on delivery day, March 20. There were no Butter Braids sold at Sideshow, so a delivery volunteer is not needed.

Sharon also requested (via email) 3-4 volunteers to help with ironing the choir uniforms before the March 27 choir concert. Terese Klug will send a Charms email out with this announcement.

Sharon has the Morning Fresh Dairy milk caps that have been collected so far and will drop these off to Phil. Phil stated that a student aide can count the caps. Mark Gibson will give them to the Morning Fresh Dairy delivery person.

Program shell printing was discussed. Gordon had 1500 shells printed on March 7 plus we had 600 left from the printing in December. We used 900 for Side Show. This should leave enough for the remaining concerts this school year.

Gordon provided information (via email) re: the TEF Founder's Grant expenses. Phil will contact Karla Quiñones to make sure she receives an invoice from the make-up artist, Anna Fremaint, so that she can be paid. Costs for the Side Show project items were lower than estimated, thus the cost to MVMA (after

the \$2,000 TEF Founder's Grant) will be approximately \$440 or less. Phil stated that he received very positive feedback re: Side Show from TEF.

The Side Show cast party was cancelled due to the rescheduling of the show resulting from the snow storm. Gordo and Rose McQueen would like to reschedule and host the cast party on Friday, March 15. Everyone was in agreement that the new date would work. Pete and Phil recommended that the students run the party.

Gordon reported (via email) that he talked to Denise Montague after the final performance of Side Show. She is a school board member, advertiser in our program shell, TEF board member and parent of a String Orchestra student at MVHS. She was very impressed with the show and wants to present some information about the success of the show to the school board at the next TSD Board meeting. Phil will organize some information for Denise to present. Phil added that all the students in Side Show will receive the "Inspiring Students" award at the next school board meeting. He spoke with the TSD superintendent, Stan Scheer, who was also very impressed with Side Show.

Possible new MVMA board members were discussed. Gordon spoke to Heather Thiede and she is willing to fill the position of Secretary. Janet Axline and Gordon spoke with Jo Burda-Smith who is interested in the positions of Volunteer Coordinator and LISA and Visual Arts Rep. Janet also talked with Lavon Peterson who is considering either Vice President or Orchestra Rep. Peter named several possible candidates for Band Rep: Sheila Mueller, Victor Palomares, Chris Gallo and Madonna Molinaro. Mark suggested that Clark Ritner (grandparent of a student) might be willing to participate on the Board. Claire Reed stated that Bailey Friar's parents volunteered for Side Show and might be interested in helping with MVMA. Elections are to be held at the April meeting, but Mark suggested we consider postponing elections until we solidify the candidates.

Claire commended Kristina Baldus for her work running concessions at the Side Show performances. The need to address the accounting system for concessions sales was discussed.

Theatre-- Phil Forman reported.

Phil thanked everyone for helping to make Side Show a success.

Dance—Phil Forman reported.

The dance recital is scheduled for May 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium. This is in place of a student-directed spring play. Tammy Johnson is choreographing the majority of the show. Students will help with some of the choreography and lighting. Tickets will be sold for this performance.

Choir—Phil Forman reported.

The next choir concert is scheduled for March 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium. Seniors will be highlighted.

The show choir will perform at the competition held on April 25 at Westminster High School.

Sharon Morgan-Frakes has agreed to continue in her position as Choir Rep next year even though her daughter is graduating.

Pete and Phil suggested that we plan an MVMA pot-luck dinner for May instead of in August to promote parent/student involvement and fundraising, especially since they are considering a student trip for next year.

Band and Orchestra—Peter Toews reported.

The next orchestra concert will be on March 18 and the next band concert will be March 19, both at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium.

On April 12, Chamber Strings will be performing at the CHSAA Contest at Thompson Valley High School.

Symphonic Band recently performed at CBA Regionals on March 6. They gave a fantastic performance and received a “Superior” rating.

Jazz Band will perform at the UNC Jazz Festival in Greeley in April.

Dance team auditions (for marching band) will be held March 20. Tammy Johnson will be the choreographer again and would like to expand to a year-round team.

Peter talked with MVHS Principal Kim Young re: funding for next year for FTE in the music and arts department. He will be given preliminary numbers March 15 and is hoping for a .54 increase in FTE. Student enrollment at MVHS is projected to be 1200 next year. Marching Band will have approximately 100 members next year, including the dance team. Orchestra members will total approximately 60, including Chamber Strings and String Orchestra. Peter will need an accurate inventory of band uniforms and tuxes soon so that additional uniforms can be ordered if needed, due to increased enrollment. Phil will need additional keyboards due to increased enrollment in the piano and guitar class (100 students have requested this class).

Additional hallway instrument lockers are needed. A cost estimate for approximately 35 units (multiple sizes) is \$7,720.00. There is some budget money but possibly not enough to cover the whole cost.

Instrument repairs are still in progress. We may receive some instrument repair money that was donated to the school district.

Miscellaneous

Peter suggested an MVHS music and dance performance for the feeder elementary and middle schools.

We profited approximately \$500 from the Thriller event at the MVHS football game last fall.

Terese Klug asked about the Rockley music sale. Peter reported that the sale was successful and we received our new pianos for MVHS.

Janet Axline will be selling King Soopers cards at all the March concerts.

Concessions and raffle profit from Side Show is not yet known, although sales were brisk.

Keepsake programs were not sold at Side Show except on opening night due to multiple errors in the printing. BellaClaire would not take responsibility for the errors and refused to reprint the programs. Gordon is reportedly working on a replacement using Photoshop.

The next MVMA Board/Booster meeting will be April 8.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jennifer Hanna on March 30, 2013.