

VPA Board Meeting -Show Choir Room
October 4, 2010, 6 pm

Attendance:

Jan Anderson, Kelli Campbell, Teresa Caracci, Ann Davis, Mary Ellen Dockum, Rhonda Elming, Joyce Giles, Jennifer Iregui, Mary Jansen, Holly Kaptain, Robyn Mills, Jyll Miner, Sue Nagel, Carol Ratekin, **Zach Rohlwing**, Jodi Schneider, Tricia Scieszinski, **Eric Shepard**, Alecia Soda, Raynee Sparks, Joan Sparland, Greta Standish, Sheila Stevens, Cindy Swallow, **Sarah VanWaardhuizen**, Susan Ward, Ann Wiley

Introductions, names, child, and role in VPA

Welcome: Ann Wiley and Ann Davis, CoPresidents

Oct meeting called to order by Ann Wiley and Ann Davis.

Approval of September Minutes

Now posted online.

Motion was made by Sue Nagel to accept, Mary Ellen Dockum second, Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Tricia Scieszinski

Bank balance ~15,250.00. September statement not received yet.

Budget meeting 10/4/2010: new items to budget, curtains, drum cases, Spring Musical, transportation for Chicago trip

Motion was made by Jan Anderson, to accept, Teresa Caracci second, Motion carried.

Choir Directors' Reports: Sarah Van Waardhuizen, Eric Shepard

Discussion about August kick off from last meeting. Sarah talked about revamping and focusing in the future for continuous improvement.

6-12 Vocal staff had opportunity to meet during professional development time.

Discussion of vocal alignment and skills across grades. Show Choir conversation was also a part of this meeting. No decisions made at this time due to district growth and needs (re: building structures by grade level); this will need to be an ongoing conversation. We discussed consideration of how to support Summit, due to building wide policy on fund raising. Do we need 6-7 building rep? Would need to revise by-laws to do this.

Chicago trip: need to add 3rd bus, currently at 119 students signed up. Since we have 3 buses now, we can extend deadline so more students can sign up to fill that bus. Need to consider financial assistance and additional fund raising opportunities to increase student participation – want to make opportunity accessible to all of our kids. Financial aid form available on website – all information/requests will be confidential.

Online payment fee – 3% fee to use, costs come out of school's share of fees.

Musical Show Announcement end of September: The Music Man!

Seeking employer contributions where possible – some offer matched funds. Please consider this. Patron letter will be sent out to businesses. Because of the length of time since JHS has produced this type of show there are additional start up expenses.

President's Report. Ann Davis, Ann Wiley

VPA Board list and events list are updated. They have been emailed in an effort to go green!

• **Past President's Report**– none

• **VPA Kickoff: Coordinator:** Loraine Wallace: no report

• **Showzam:**

Sarah reported, meeting occurred things are in the works.
Need a Showzam elect!

• **Madrigal:** Ann Wiley

Have been meeting, progress made on tasks – materials ordered.
Denise Friesth working on costumes.

Need folks to shadow committee chairs, many of our current leader roles are filled by senior parents.

• **Fundraising:** –Joan Sparland, Ann Davis

Sold 435 cards to date. Current sales are very slow, but this appears to be historic trend.
Current incentive: sell 5 cards, will be in drawing for \$5.00 gift card. At this point in time, our sales are ahead of last year. For supporting businesses e.g., American store, can we set up a table to sell Encore cards. For customers that would equal instant savings!

3 Concession stands Dates: Volleyball → Oct 19, Basketball → Dec 3, Dec 21

Need 1 adult per shift, and for every 3-4 kids. Money goes directly to student's account.

Every student has an account within choir, money does carry over for next year. Money can also go into sibling account.

Introduce sign up at Mixed Choir, so they get first chance for sign up.

Yunker's Community Day Booklets – sold last year. There are also other groups selling within the community. Oct 25, (last week of Encore card sales), Community Day Event is Nov 13. Can sell up until Nov 12. \$5.00 goes to students' account. Can use this for Chicago trip as well as show choir who have additional expenses. Need to work out coordination of booklets, so that unsold booklets are returned. Will also look into seeing if we can get a table at Younkers for selling. Fall Choral Concert might be an opportunity to sell Community Day booklets.
Approval from VPA for sales: so carried!

Also working with Party Time for fundraising sale – optional for those students introduced.

• **Patron Publicity and Showzam program** – Joann will work with Sara

• **Parent Book** – Raynee Sparks ready to take pictures tonight (has camera with her). Will collect parent names from students.

• **Senior Rep:** Jan Anderson, Sue Nagel –

Sign up for end of year Show Choir Show, Saturday March 26. Show will be at JMS. Will be decorating in the a.m. Would be helpful for junior parents so that they can get some experience. Plan to contact Leslie Shipp to see if student is willing to design program (layout, etc.).

• **Parent show reps** – no report

• **Junior Reps** – no report

• **Sophomore rep** – no report

- **8/9 Building rep** – no report
- **Chamber choir rep:** Mary Ellen Dockum
Planning breakfast for morning of All State - Oct 23
- **Concert choir rep:** Jodi Schneider
Final sheet with assigned dresses? Yes.
- **Treble choir rep:** no report
- **Mixed choir rep:** no report
- **Innovation rep:** Susan Ward – no report
- **Synergy rep:** Jennifer Iregui – no report
- Costume chair:** no report
- Chaperone chair:** Loraine Wallace
- Transportation:** Teresa Caracci, now have enough drivers!
Drivers will need reimbursement according to VPA by-laws.
- Vocal Music Apparel:** Alecia Soda
Sold ~76 t-shirts, \$826.00
Will order some extras.

Motion to adjourn Sheila Stevens, Mary Ellen second.
Meeting adjourned 7:01 pm