

**VPA Board Meeting – In Show Choir Room**  
**(Thursday, February 4, 2010 – 6 PM)**  
<http://www.johnstonchoirs.com/vpa/vpaindex.html>

**Attendance:** Nicole Gardiner, Diane Greenfield, Suzie Martz, Jill Morrel, Melissa Judge, Jennifer Iregui, Ann Wiley, Jill Burch, Jean Schares, Jodi Schneider, Mary Ellen Dockum, Raynee Sparks, Ted Brimeyer, Susan Ward, Sue Nagel, Anne Carlson, Ann Davis, Julie Schraeger, Robyn Mills, Annie Temple, Sarah Van Waardhuizen, Sarah Meek

**Welcome:** Joanne Diehl, Nicole Gardiner

The February meeting of VPA was called to order @ 6:00 PM by President Nicole Gardiner.

**Approval of November Minutes**

**Meeting Minutes:**

**Motion** was made to approve outstanding minutes by Julie Schraeger.

Jill Morrel seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dianne Greenfield

Dianne reported that Showzam took in \$15,000 less than last year.

Ticket sales were approximately 75% of last year's sales.

Final results on Showzam are not in at this time due to outstanding expenses yet to be paid.

**Motion** was made by Jill Morrel to approve the February treasurer's report.

Anne Carlson seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

**Choir Directors' Reports:** Sarah Van Waardhuizen, Ted Brimeyer

**Position Introductions and Reports**

Website Updates – New features have been added. We are now posting itineraries for trips, scholarship forms for camps, VPA Board, etc.. If anyone has ideas, please let Ted know. The link to this site is from HS site. Can it be accessed from the district site?

Thanks to everyone for UNLV! For SHOWZAM! The SHOWZAM numbers were down this year because of additional competitions on the same day. Should we explore a different date keeping in mind that there is no perfect date.

1900's Camera – Does anyone have an idea?

Masterworks – Concert on March 9<sup>th</sup> – This includes all choirs and bands. We will need wardrobe help that evening.

New Drum Cases – We would like to purchase 4 new drum cases @ a total of \$700.

Z-Racks – We would like to purchase 4 new Z-Racks for a total of \$400.

March 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Suggestion that we change March 11<sup>th</sup> meeting date to March 4<sup>th</sup>.

Consider moving meetings for next year to Monday nights from 6:00-7:00 instead of Thursday evenings. This change would require a change in the VPA bi-laws.

Choral Trip 2011 – Financial thoughts for next year: Would parents want to consider a trip in the \$200-\$300 range? The \$500-\$600 range? All choral students (200-300 students) would be involved. How expensive do we want to look at? Poll parents to see what they are willing to spend on these trips? Fund raising? This trip will be optional for students.

- Presidents (Joanne Diehl, Nicole Gardiner)

General discussion regarding parent show and Lisa Jo replacement – Lisa Jo Johnson is not able to continue her work on the Parent Show to be performed by senior parents on April 10<sup>th</sup>. A senior parent meeting will be scheduled for all senior parents to discuss the future of this show.

- Past Presidents (Jill Burch, Jill Morrill) - We have no presidents elect at this point!
- August Kick-Off Event (Loraine Wallace)
- Showzam (Barb Vance, Jodi Schneider, Kathy Bower, Lisa Mentzer)  
Wrap Up – The “wrap up” meeting has not yet been scheduled.
- Showzam Elect (VACANT)
- Madrigal (Rita Pray, Denise Friesth, Becky Mayer, Sue Nagel, Karen Waltz, Susan Ward, Stephanie Gordon)
- Madrigal Coordinator Elect (Ann Wiley)  
Pleased with results –  
We liked being able to get in the church on Sunday.  
We are interested in having some men’s costumes remade and purchasing our own Knights instead of using the ones from Sleepy Hollow.  
Thanks to students for helping load and unload trailers
- Fundraising Chairs & Encore Cards (Ann Davis, Pam Fleming, Dee McCracken, Kathleen Ottley)  
Basketball/Wrestling concessions  
Saturday @wrestling meet – have 1 opening.  
Saturday night basketball game 2/16 – opening another concession stand is a possibility
- Patron Publicity & Showzam Program (VACANT)
- Parent Book (Raynee Sparks)  
Update on parent responses – Plan to have book done within one week.
- Senior Rep (Jill Burch, Lisa Mortens)  
End of Year Show/Ticket prices – Should we keep the prices the same for this year’s show? \$8 and \$5 for this year?
- Senior Parent Show Reps ( Anne Temple)
- Junior Rep (Stephanie Gordon, Rhonda Gowey)
- Sophomore Rep (Robyn Mills)
- 8/9 Building Rep (Sheila Stevens, Anne Towns)

- Chamber Choir Rep (Mary Ellen Dockum)
  - Concert Choir Rep (Sue Nagel)
  - Treble Concert Choir Rep (Kersten Gebard)
  - Mixed Chorus Rep (Julie Schraeger)
- Have new students to measure with beginning of second semester.
- Innovation Rep (Linda Kunert)
    - Showzam program comment – missed one contributor
  - Synergy Rep (Jennifer Iregui)
  - Costume Chair (Kersten Gebard, Valarie Nichols)
    - Is it not necessary to steam girl's dresses between day and final shows at show choir competitions.
  - Chaperone Chair (Anne Carlson, Jill Morrill)
    - Should we invest in buying new big orange coolers to take to competitions for water?
  - Transportation Chair (Suzie Martz)
  - Vocal Music Apparel Chair (Alecia Soda)

#### **Action Items**

Dianne will refund cash payments to family of crew member who has decided not to go on the Nashville trip. Policy should be in place for these situations.

**Motion** was made by Anne Carlson to allocate \$700 for the purchase of new drum cases as well as \$400 for the new z-racks.

Julie Schraeger seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

#### **New Business and Discussion Items**

#### **Close Meeting**

Lisa Kunert moved to adjourn the February VPA meeting at 6:52.

Jill Morrel seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Sarah Meek  
 VPA Secretary, 2009-2010