

Washington High School PPA

Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2010

President Lisa Thirnbeck called the meeting to order at 7:13 pm, following the 5:30 MoShow meeting, in the band room and welcomed everyone. Eighteen members were in attendance.

Program

Mr. Bill Lammers, Technical Director, presented the program along with Pat Lammers and Ben Godwin, Assistant Technical Directors. Mr. Lammers gave an update on the tech program and highlighted the technical monetary contributions made by PPA.

Executive Committee Reports

Secretary- The February 4, 2010 minutes were approved.

Treasurer- The Treasurer's Report presented by Danielle Rings was approved.

Committee Reports

MOSHOW-Nancy Hart reported that there is still a need for a few volunteers for the March 13th event. Nancy reported that she has been able to cut costs this year. She encouraged everyone to attend and bring family and friends.

Band Uniforms-Anne Salamon reported that band uniform goal has been met.

Administration Report

Dr. Plagman presented a progress report on the Band Uniform/Choir Robe Fundraising. His report follows:

In the summer of 2007, a group of Patrons of Performing Arts members met with Dr. Plagman to begin planning for several major purchases including new robes and stoles for all choirs, new band uniforms, and a new set of risers for choir performances. Stage curtains were also discussed.

During the 2007-08 school year, a goal of \$120,000.00 was set and the first fundraising letters were sent to the parents of all 343 performing arts students in late March, 2008. Approximately 50 families contributed \$38,735.00 in that phase of the campaign.

During the 2008-09 school year, Patrons of Performing Arts contributed \$19,096.82 to the campaign. That contribution was made from PPA's ongoing fundraising projects.

During the fall of the 2009-10 school year, another phase of the campaign targeted the parents of band member. Nearly 60 families contributed \$26,664.52. In addition, due to the interface between football and the marching band, the Washington Athletic Club contributed \$5,000.00 during the 2008-09 school year and an additional \$5,000.00 in 2009-10.

REVENUE TO DATE:

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| 2007-08 Letter Campaign | \$38,735.00 |
| Washington Athletic Club Contribution | 10,000.00 |
| 2009-10 Band Parent Campaign | 26,664.00 |
| Patrons of Performing Arts Support '08-09 | 19,096.82 |
| Miscellaneous Income | <u>2,694.73</u> |
| TOTAL | \$97,190.55 |

REVENUE DISTRIBUTION

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| Choir Robes (105) purchased in April, 2008 | \$22,211.00 |
| Risers purchased in April, 2008 | 12,070.00 |
| Cash on hand | <u>62,909.55</u> |
| Total | \$97,190.55 |

REVISED BUDGET

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| Original 105 robes purchased | \$22,211.00 |
| Risers Purchased | 12,070.00 |
| 90 Additional Robes @\$215.00 each | 19,350.00 |
| 125 Band Uniforms @\$475.00 each | <u>59,375.00</u> |
| Total | \$113,006.00 |

Remaining Balance to be Raised \$ 15,815.45

A discussion of Dr. Plagman's report followed. Lisa Thirnbeck, PPA President, and Danielle Rings, PPA Treasurer, noted that as stated in the 2/28/10 PPA Treasurer Report, PPA has an additional \$4,558.83 in the Patrons of the Performing Arts Robe Account and \$4,175.00 in unsolicited donations for choir robes. **The remaining balance to be raised for the choir robes is \$7,081.62.**

Dr. Plagman reported that a letter will be sent to parents of all vocal students soliciting donations for the choir robes. Dr. Plagman is confident vocal parents will contribute generously to the robe campaign.

New Business

PPA President, Lisa Thirnbeck, reported the PPA Executive Board met to discuss their concern regarding performing arts students that are unable to pay their performing art fees.

Currently, performing arts fees are not waived for Washington High School students on free or reduced lunch. All students are currently obligated to pay all performing art fees. The board recommends that starting fall of 2010 fees will be paid by PPA from the PPA endowment fund for any student in band, vocal, dance or orchestra on free or reduced lunch. The PPA will reimburse the endowment at the end of the school year for all monies borrowed. Additionally, they recommend a partial scholarship for students with hardship cases not on free or reduced lunch. Applications for students with special circumstances will apply to a special school committee. A discussion followed.

Karen Matthews presented the following motion:

The Patrons of the Performing Arts will borrow monies from the PPA endowment fund for fees for performing arts students on free and reduced lunch and hardship cases as determined by Washington High School administration to cover students' performing art program fees. The endowment must be reimbursed annually by the PPA.

The motion was seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Frankfurter Fest-Molly Williams reported on Frankfurter Fest Thursday, May 20th. She requested a volunteer to shadow and chair next year. Suzanne Coleman volunteered.

The following slate of officers was presented for 2010-2011:

President- Karen Matthews

Treasurer- Danielle & Randy Rings

Secretary- Diana & Bill Nepl

The next PPA meeting will be Thursday, April 1, 2010 in the choir room. Ms. Megan Witte, Dance Director, will present the program.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Diana Nepl, Secretary