

**Washington High School PPA**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**September 2, 2010**

President Karen Matthews called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm, in the Washington High School band room and welcomed everyone. Twenty-four members/guests were present

**Program**

The Drum Line delighted those in attendance with an excellent performance. Jim Miller, Washington Band Director, reported that the band is ready to compete at Jefferson tomorrow, September 3, and will debut their new uniforms. He indicated the band will be participating in many band competitions this year. Freshman band members are marching with the band for the first time in several years. This year half of the marching band members are new. The goal is to increase the number of band members. For the first time, Mr. Miller is teaching band at McKinley four days per week. He is gone from Washington 1.5 hours per day. He is thrilled to be working with 50 musicians at McKinley. This year the total band, including the color guard, is 120 strong. Wind symphony auditions will be soon and revs auditions are next week. The entire music department is traveling together to the same Florida location over spring break. Mr. Miller welcomes emails and noted that his email address is [jamiller@cr.k12.ia.us](mailto:jamiller@cr.k12.ia.us).

**Administration Report**

**Dr. Plagman** thanked the PPA for their past support and presented his proposed PPA Budget for 2010-2011. Also presented was a summary of the PPA support since the 1999-2000 school year through 2009-2010. In the past 11 years the Washington High School PPA has contributed \$861,379.36 to support the performing arts at Washington. Dr. Plagman noted that without the PPA's support many current programs would not be available at Wash.

**Executive Committee Reports**

**Secretary-** The minutes of the May 11, 2010 meeting were approved.

**Treasurer-** The Treasurer's report was submitted and approved. The current checking balance is \$5,540.34. During the 2009-2010 school year, \$101,754.05 was contributed to Wash from the PPA checking account.

**Committee Reports**

**Membership-** Julia Clair reported that to date this school year \$15,580.00 has been contributed to PPA membership by 91 families, 31 of the families are new to PPA membership. Julia explained the complimentary passes that accompany PPA membership.

**Buy It For A Song, PPA Auction-** Karen Matthews, Co-Chair, reported on the auction and noted that all musical groups will perform again this year. The auction is November 4 and Karen is looking for additional volunteers.

**Band Report-** Band camp was a great experience for the students and volunteers donated 366 hours of support.

Sue Nading reported on the indoor marching band classic and a discussion followed regarding the PPA purchasing advertising in the marching band classic program. It was determined there was a need for additional information. The Buy It For A Song committee will discuss purchasing an ad to promote the auction.

**MO SHOW-** Kevin Gesing reported on the 50/50 raffle. The chairs are in need of 2-3 people to chair the raffle. Lisa Butler volunteered to help.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.  
Diana Neppel, Secretary

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**C.R. Washington High School Proposed PPA  
Budget (2010-2011)**

**Instruction**

Band	\$30,000.00
Vocal	\$26,000.00
Drama	\$7,000.00
Orchestra	\$5,000.00
Dance	\$1,000.00
All-State	\$1,000.00
Transportation	\$5,000.00
Orchestra Equipment	\$2,000.00
Speech Support	\$5,000.00
Professional Support	<u>\$8,300.00</u>
	<u>\$90,300.00</u>

## 11 Years of PPA Support

Since the 1999-2000 school year, PPA has contributed \$861,379.36 to support performing arts at Washington! Here is the breakdown by school year:

<u>School Year</u>	<u>PPA Contributions</u>
1999-2000	\$54,752.00
2000-2001	\$53,928.28
2001-2002	\$51,000.00
2002-2003	\$66,543.04
2003-2004	\$63,671.17
2004-2005	\$64,671.70
2005-2006	\$85,000.00
2006-2007	\$88,000.00
2007-2008	\$124,181.17*
2008-2009	\$91,225.00**
2009-2010	\$118,407.00***

\*included \$22,211.17 for robes and \$12,070.00 for risers

\*\*included \$19,097 for robes and band uniforms

\*\*\*included \$22,664 raised by band parents for uniforms, \$4,214 raised by choir parents for robes, and \$7,529 from PPA for robes and uniforms

The Washington High School Performing Arts Program would not be the best in Iowa without your support!