

**Washington High School PPA
Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2011**

President Karen Matthews called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm, in the Washington High School Orchestra Room and welcomed everyone. Twelve members/guests were in attendance.

Program

Natalie Brown, Washington High School orchestra director, presented the program. The Honors Ensemble for Orchestra Iowa performed.

Ms Brown reminded everyone that the Orchestra Dessert Concert will be Tuesday, February 8 at 7:00 pm. Ms. Brown travels to McKinley Middle School to teach lessons to 7th and 8th graders. In December 2010 she started a similar program at Franklin Middle School.

Executive Committee Reports

Secretary- The January 6, 2011 minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer- Danielle Rings presented the Treasurer's report. See attachment.

Committee Reports/Announcements

Fab 5-February 5th at Prairie High School. Varsity show is sold out.

Voces8-February 8th at St. Paul's, Voces8, an international group jazz group will perform along with Slice of Jazz. Ticket prices are: Adults \$20.00, Students \$10.00 and Families \$45.00.

Sugar and Show-Thursday, February 10, 2011. Karen Matthews indicated that volunteers are still needed. Every show choir student is asked to provide a dessert. Allysa Turk has done a great job chairing this event. McKinley and Franklin are pre-selling 100 tickets each for this event. There will be ticket presale at Washington High School prior to the show.

MO SHOW-Saturday, March 12. Volunteers are needed, contact Kate Hogg or Ann Soloman.

State Speech-February 5th at Kennedy High School. Approximately 70 students from Washington High School will be participating. Kennedy has 175 volunteers for this event. It is similar in size to MoShow, lasts in the morning only, but is more labor intensive. Committee members will attend the event to help prepare for the event at WHS next year. Ms. Fattig reported last month that over 5,000 people will attend. All proceeds will go to PPA.

All City Music Festival-April 2, 2011. Many volunteers will be needed. Contact Mr. Jim Miller, Band Director, to help with this event.

PPA Website-Mike Coleman reported that the website may need to be restructured due to limitations on the site. The cost will be around \$125.00 annually.

Music Trip to Florida-Mr. Miller is coordinating information for the website. Approximately 130 students are going on the trip over spring break.

Discussion Items-A discussion followed regarding cross promotion between Washington High School performing arts events. The concern is the collection of monies so that they do not take away from the intended event's proceeds, as well as distract from the event in general. One example was the sale of Chicago tickets at the PPA auction, Buy It For A Song. It was very convenient for individuals to purchase musical tickets at the auction and the music department had ticket sales of \$1,000.00. Individuals that purchased tickets to the musical indicated they thought that they were supporting the auction, however musical ticket sales are not deposited to PPA. There are hundreds of volunteer hours put into the auction and the goal is to make it as successful as possible without distracting from the goal of the evening, bidding on auction items. A discussion also centered around MoShow raffle ticket sales at the auction. The proceeds do go to PPA, but the raffle sales may have distracted individuals from the event's intended purpose, bidding on auction items.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm. The next PPA meeting will be March 8, 2011 at 7 pm. The program will be presented by Bill Lammers, Washington High School Director of Technical Arts.

.Diana Nepl, Secretary

