

Washington High School Patrons of the Performing Arts Meeting Minutes  
December 1, 2015

Heidi Becker called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm on Dec 1, 2015 in the Choir Room.

**PROGRAM:** Amy Farley introduced Slice of Jazz. The group performed two holiday songs and one “work in progress” which will be part of the competition set. Slice needs a good deal of equipment and thanks PPA for helping provide it. There are currently 16 members and a 4 piece combo. The main season is Feb-April with clinics and ending with the Iowa Jazz Champs. Amy considers Slice the hidden gem of the WHS groups and would like to find ways to have them perform more. It is difficult though because of the equipment needs. Thank you Slice!

**MINUTES:** Amendment for Nov 3 minutes: Membership families should read “92” and not “192”. That is: “PPA has 92 member families...” Vannessia Klinsky motioned to approve the minutes with amendment. Teresa Wake seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**TREASURER REPORT & BUDGET:** Teresa Wake presented the treasurers report. Current balance is \$38,107.07. The reported BIFAS income of \$16,710 .79 is not yet complete. It should be a little higher. Sales of ‘The List’ are continuing. Java and Jazz brought in \$650 but expenses are not all in as of today. Overall, Teresa feels this has been a good month.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Gwen Engen said PPA has 106 member families and \$18,375 in paid memberships. There has been an increase in grandparent memberships – which is good!

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**BIFAS:** Heidi Becker presented. This was the biggest BIFAS in Heidi’s 4 years. Donations for the auctions exceeded \$21,000. Heidi and Sherry Sealy worked very hard starting in May to secure such a high number of donations. Attendance was higher than previous years. There were a lot of new things representing high community involvement. They expect to bring in \$17,500. Although this was less than the goal, it is \$5000 more than last year! Thank you Heidi and Sherry!

Nikki McGuire will chair next year. Heidi has already passed on the material.

**JAVA & JAZZ:** Angie Meyer said that the event went very well. The attendance may have been lower than previous years but the weather was bad that night. The event was held in the Band Room with the Coe Band also in attendance with alums Bill and Eric Carson and Laura Gibson. The event brought in \$650. Cost were minimal. Angie would like to promote more next year with an earlier start. There was some discussion regarding changing the date. Another idea was to have a Jazz Night later in the year that would include Slice of Jazz.

**COCOA AND CAROLS:** Kate Hogg said preparations for Cocoa and Carols (Dec 12) are underway. Signup Genius was distributed today. The cocoa and cookies will be served in the Band Room. No PPA passes for this event.

**MUSICAL/LEGALLY BLONDE:** Heidi Becker said the musical was a huge success. Thank you Mr Woolums, Ms Farley, Mr Lammers and Mr Westphalen! Approximately 1,250 people attended the performances. Kyle Woolums will look into online ticket purchase for future shows.

**MADRIGALS CHRISTMAS CD AND DVD:** Paul Salamon will record the Madrigals concert on December 19<sup>th</sup>, at the First Presbyterian Church. THANK YOU PAUL!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! He will make a cd (\$10) and and dvd (\$15) this year. He will take presale orders at the choir concert. The Madrigal presidents will be responsible to organize delivery of the orders in time for Christmas.

Vannessia Klinsky won the drawing for the Hy Vee gift card.

With no other business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned.