State College Music Boosters Meeting Tuesday September 27, 2016 Room 38

Present: Becky Misangyi, Heather Bodenschatz, Margaret Higgins, Jenny Koberna, Diane Felmlee, Alejandra Corichi, Brendan and Kristy Bagley, Jean Najar, Sue Cunningham, Wendy Warner, Jane McCandless, Leigh Hurtz, Jane Millar, Dawn Rowell, Laurel Martin, Susan Smith, Terri and Jim Henderson, Robin Dutt

- 1. Introductions
- President's Report, Becky Misangyi: Doing well with recruitment of chairs and signups. Still need a chair for the music formal. Heather has reserved the space. Definitely need this position filled by January. Susan Smith and the Simpsons left excellent notes for their successors.
- 3. Vice President's Report, Heather Bodenschatz: nothing to report for this role
- 4. Treasurer's Report, Margaret Higgins: See attached. Fiscal calendar ends July 31.
- 5. Secretary's Report, Jenny Koberna: Nothing to report. Minutes from last year on line.
- 6. Music Director's Report, Paul Leskowitz: Lots going on:
 - a. Have 2 new faculty, Nate Glocke at MNMS replacing Mr. Rocco. Matthew Nelson replaced Bob LeBarca at Corl Street, Radio Park, and Easterly Elementary schools.
 - b. It is the 10th anniversary for the Partners in Music program where SCASD 5th grade orchestra and band members rehearse under the direction of PSU music students and perform a concert. The program has won several awards. The 10th anniversary concert will be held in on November 13 in Eisenhower Auditorium. RM Sides will donate parking.
 - c. Beginning instrumental instruction is starting up. There are now over 1500 students in grades 4-12 involved in instrumental music.
 - d. Marching Band performances are going well. Especially memorable have been the shared halftime show with Hollidaysburg in tribute of 911 and the drum show afterwards and the home 911 show which also honored 30+ first responders. Thanks to Brendan for organizing the responders. The SC Choral society with the Master Singers and elementary students also gave a 911 concert at PSU.
 - e. Both the Chamber Singers and the Jazz I Band will be performing at the PMEA ed conference this year.
 - f. Tri-M is up and running. They are eager to perform and have a spirit of service to the community.
 - g. Adjudication will be April 27-30. Need 12 chaperones. Plans are still being finalized.
 - h. New this year! A SCASD music faculty concert being held October 29 at MNMS at 7:30. Bob LeBarca will also be joining. Voluntary donations will go to the Music Students Support Fund.
 - i. High School construction update. As of now this is on schedule. In 18 months, most of the North building students will move to the South. The front

- of the school will be completed, but not the back, so it will be another 18 months (total 36) until the music department will move over. Still working on temporary accommodations.
- j. Homecoming 2016. Due to the PSU parade before the high school game, the alumni will be included in the post game show.

7. Old Business - Updates

- a. Homecoming Potluck, Jenny Koberna: Have reserved Room 38 and have requested tables and extra trash cans from the custodians. Paul has sent out donation information. Working with Toni Irvin from BRAVO. Sign-ups going well.
- b. Homecoming Box Dinners, Wendy Warner: she signed the contract with food services to provide box dinners for after the PSU Homecoming parade and before the SCAHS Homecoming game. Parade starts at 6:00. Needs help at 5:00 to assemble the meals. Jenny and Paul offered folding tables. Students need to sign up for any special needs. Choice is turkey or cheese. Sign-ups taken and Becky added this to sign up Genius. (Jane motioned that we purchase these for \$4.00 each, Sue seconded. Passed unanimously)
- c. Concert Receptions, Becky Misangyi: She has divided this by music groups to make it more manageable. She has a list and has most positions filled. She will send information to each of the volunteers.
- d. Citrus Fundraiser, Heather Bodenschatz: Cathy Cohan is in charge of the citrus fundraiser this year. Unable to attend tonight. Heather is getting information from Dale Toso about this. Discussed other fundraisers. Big problems with cookie dough vendor last year. Sheets no longer a good deal. Discussed Home Delivery gift cards which we pay \$8.00 for but sell for \$10.00 and are good for \$10.00 at the restaurant. Discussed Giant Cash for Causes Gift Cards. Get 5% of purchases. Jean Najar has reserved Five Guys for December 6. She is already looking at 3 dates in the spring for the Greek, possibly 3/28, 3/29, or 4/12.
- e. Old Business ACTION ITEM: Held vote on changing bylaws regarding timing of election of officers. This was discussed at 2 previous meetings. The revision would be of Article X, section 2, changing elections from May to November. Motion made by Dawn Rowell to change wording to "The officers shall be elected at the regular November meeting and shall take office at the conclusion of the November meeting." Leigh Hurtz seconded the motion. Discussion on historical reason for the way it was (but had not been changed in the bylaws) and how the new process would help smooth the transition. Unanimous vote made to change the bylaws.

8. New Business and Other Announcements

a. Repair of the lock on the music booster mailbox that is used for fundraisers, Paul Leskowicz. Lock is broken. Discussed options to repair. Completely new box with lock is \$75.00 per Brendan. He would like one in his office for now. Margaret made a motion to attempt repair of the lock and if it cannot be repaired, agree to replace the box. Jane and Brendan seconded motion. Motion unanimously approved.

- b. Request from Allison Geesey for financial support for the MNMS adjudication trip, Heather Bodenschatz: She submitted paperwork to Heather requesting \$280.00 towards transport of the poinsettias again this year. They raised \$2,000.00 last year. Discussion regarding this included opinions that it was very positive to reach out and help the middle school students. We support chaperones for our trips and pay for the bus for the Europe trip. Good PR for us with middle school families and potential future Music Booster parents. Other views suggested that this money could be taken from the profits of the previous year. Money in the Music Booster accounts is mostly from high school parents. (but only 50-60 families) Do we want to continue this and is this the kind of thing we should be supporting? Brendan motioned that we agree to this for this year. Leigh seconded the motion. All ayes except for Margaret Higgins, who opposed. We will support it this year but would like to discuss further about this kind of support in coming years.
- c. Discussed doing something for the Reese family, Jenny Koberna. Discussed options. Unable to donate any Music Booster money per bylaws. Music Booster members who were present donated money. Mostly we want the family to know that we are thinking of them. Jenny will buy card. Will confer with friends of theirs to see whether donation in Tammy's honor or gift cards for the family would be appreciated more.
- d. Adjournment.