

Norfolk Catholic Music Boosters-Minutes for Wednesday, October 7, 2009

Attending: Jeff Heng, Kristi Heng, Jackie Wortmann, Melanie Smith, Deb Stinson, Rachel Moser, Nancy Nissen, Jack Fischer, Lisa Guenther, Gretchen Forsell, Jamey Adams, Mike Marsh, Jeff Bellar, Sheryl Cahoy

Presidents: Kristi Heng & Jackie Wortmann – Called meeting to order, distribute agenda, led the opening prayer.

Secretary: Melanie Smith – Minutes for September meeting approved.

Treasurer: Jeff Heng – Distributed a report with income and expenses for September and year-to-date, and also the summary of all fundraising projects. Also provided a balance sheet and reported the balance. So far there are 137 family and 37 business members. We have donated \$2000 to the air conditioning project.



Vocal: Rachel Moser – 4-12 October Vocal Music Update – Miss Moser

Varsity Choir Varsity choir has been preparing for their first concert, which will take place on Friday, October 30 at 7 pm in the Activities Center. This concert will be a multimedia concert, which will be something new and exciting in our school! They will be performing one piece that was chosen for All-State Choir this year, as well as several other selections. The varsity choir is also preparing to sing for the Catholic Daughters Supper on October 18th, Conference Choral Clinic on November 9th, Veterans Day on November 11th, and several upcoming school Masses.

Eleven students will audition for All-State Choir on October 10th: Marcus Wilcox, Hilary Smith, Mary Davis, Mariah Morgan, Samantha Schulte, Sydney Jundt, Scott Benson, Cole Eisenmenger, Garrett Clausen, Allie Kellogg, and Ashley Pieper.

Junior High Music The 7th and 8th grade singers have also begun practicing songs for the Fall Concert on October 30, along with learning a little more about music basics and reading music. They are improving in their ability to sing in harmony. The junior high show choir is performing extremely well, and will participate in the Elkhorn Valley Jr. High Choral Clinic on Nov 6.

4-6 Grade Music Elementary musicians are in the middle of “Composer Idol.” They are discovering lots of music by Bach, Mozart, and Beethoven, and they have the opportunity to critique the pieces and vote on their favorites. So far, Bach and Beethoven have each won one week. By Halloween, we’ll have named our Sacred Heart Composer Idol! Nine 4-6 graders have been preparing for the Sing Around Nebraska Festival held in February. They are excellent singers and have been enthusiastic learners. These students are Ryan Pochop, Therese Lux, Blair Wagner, Kailey Neesen, Colby Abler, Emma Stelling, Sidney Kassmeier, Jenna Pochop, and Taylor Wesseln.

Young Americans Registration for the Young American Workshop on March 14-16 is underway! 4-8 graders and 9-12 grade choir or band members may register from now until the end of this first semester. Miss Moser is in need of volunteers to host Young Americans in their homes when they come, as well as volunteers to help with food. Please speak with her regarding registration, “Homestays,” or if you have a desire to volunteer your time or food. Scholarships for students to attend the workshop are available for any families who are in need of aid. Please contact Miss Moser if that is the case.

- ❖ **Young Americans** – Deb Stinson and Sheila Schukei will chair the food arrangements. Rachel will put a notice about more “Homestay” volunteers needed in the Sunday Bulletin.
- ❖ **Choir Robes** – Six new robes are in.
- ❖ **Mass of Glory**– Songbooks not in yet.
- ❖ **Accompanist** – Barb Foote will be accompanist at least for a while.

Vocal: Nancy Nissen – Things going well so far and Sacred Heart Singers are practicing in the mornings.

Band: Jack Fischer

- ❖ **Marching Band** – Thanked music boosters for support and congratulations on first place!
- ❖ **All-State** – Also have a number of students trying out.
- ❖ **Veteran’s Day** – Band and Choir working together for a Veteran’s Day performance at 8:15 a.m. in the activities center.
- ❖ **Small Groups** – Drum line and jazz band starting.
- ❖ **Grade School** – 31 5th graders and about 20 6th graders in band.
- ❖ **Instruments** – May need another valve trombone.

Old Business Discussed:

- ❖ **Video recorder** – Rachel has worked with Tim Miller from Media Productions on this and will have something soon. It will be approximately \$300 plus tripod and other accessories.
- ❖ **Calendars and Sign Hangers:** Melanie Smith – All pocket calendars have sold and have 13 wall calendars left. Kristi will have them if anyone wants to purchase one for \$10. We returned some on the Knight signs for re-painting and have 4 outstanding orders for name plates that should be done in a week or so. We have stock of all the hangers.
- ❖ **Concessions:** Deb will check on popcorn oil as it does not seem as good as last year. Reminder to all high school band and chorus students that they **must work 2 sessions** in the concession stand as part of the lettering process.

- ❖ **Sound Shells** – Have arrived and have been put together. We should try to put one up sometime before the October 30 concert.

New Business:

- ❖ **Booster Members** – Jeff and Kristi are working on a list of all members to insert into programs and also a poster board for display at the concession area.

Closing prayer was lead by Kristi and meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 4, 7:00 p.m. in band room.