

## Norfolk Catholic Music Boosters-Minutes for Wednesday, December 2, 2009

**Attending:** Jeff Heng, Kristi Heng, Jackie Wortmann, Melanie Smith, Deb Stinson, Rachel Moser, Jack Fischer, Lisa Guenther, Janet Jundt, Sue Davis, Deb Eisenmenger, Norm Hale

**Presidents:** Kristi Heng & Jackie Wortmann – Called meeting to order, distributed agenda, and Melanie led the opening prayer.

**Secretary:** Melanie Smith – Minutes for November meeting approved.

**Treasurer:** Jeff Heng – Distributed a report with income and expenses for November and year-to-date, reported the balance, and balance sheet as of 11/30/09.

**Vocal:** Rachel Moser –Vocal Music Update



### Varsity Choir

December begins with an All-School Advent Mass, for which the choir sang. Finishing touches are being put on music for the Christmas Concert on December 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm in the Activities Center. The varsity choir will again perform a song with the varsity band, and Nick Vollbrecht will be the accompanist for the 7-12 graders at the Christmas Concert. We will finish the semester with a semester test, some evaluations of our semester, and with getting the show choir ready for lots of practice in January and competitions in early February!

### Junior High Music

The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade singers are also preparing for the Christmas concert, which will be their final formal concert. They will be reviewing for a semester test as well, and look forward to some music projects during the second semester.

### 4-6 Grade Music

The PreK-6<sup>th</sup> graders will perform “The ABCs of Christmas” on December 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm in the Activities Center. Their teachers are also preparing for a special surprise number!

### Young Americans

**The deadline for registration for the Young American Workshop on March 14-16 is approaching!** Any 4-12 graders may register by December 23<sup>rd</sup>. 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. Please get your registrations in soon!

- ❖ **All-State Choir** – Thank you cards were read from Sydney Jundt and Cole Eisenmenger. Everyone had a great experience and it was a wonderful concert.
- ❖ **Accompanist** – For next semester, Rachel has arranged for Melissa Wortmann for 4-5 hours per week and Music Boosters will pay for this (probably around \$600). For next year, Rachel will put in the budget for the school to hire an assistant/accompanist. Cindy Booth will be the accompanist for grades 4-6.
- ❖ **Christmas Concert** – Sue Davis and Janet Jundt will be the adult supervisors for concert childcare from 1:15 – 3:15. Will have Young American registration and information table at the concert, with maybe DVD playing.
- ❖ **Show Choir Bus** – Rachel reserved 2 charter buses for NCUA in Norris and UNO, as they are not much more than a school bus. Still deciding if we will charge show choir students for one of the buses, but empty seats will be sold to adults or other people who want to go.



**Band:** Jack Fischer - And the Band marches on December 09

Pictures of the band in the parade should appear on sycamore soon.

Wants Christmas Concert videoed to play it back to the students.

Auditioned quite a few students for UNK and WSC honor bands including some junior high students which is a first. Class B all-state band is due this month and we will audition students for the Pierce junior high honor band when that time comes.

Conference honor band students are: Nicole Timmerman, Maggie Fennessy, Samantha Schulte, Kevin Gillis, Jarren Heng, Maryann Forsell, Spencer Hamik, Hilary Smith, Nick Vollbrecht, Tyler Habrock, Eric Becker, Sydney Jundt, with some to be decided yet in the 9-10 band and maybe others added in for balance.

Congratulations to those student selected to the University of Nebraska Kearney and the Wayne State Honor bands. Maryann Forsell and Nick Vollbrecht to both bands; Nicole Timmerman and Hannah Fennessy to Wayne.

- ❖ **Band Bus to Games** – Thank you for the charter buses and paying admission for band to playoff and state football games and admission to playoff volleyball games. It was very much appreciated.
- ❖ **Accompanist** – Some fees will be coming up.
- ❖ **Student Teacher** – Will have a student teacher in band for the second semester.

#### **Old Business Discussed:**

- ❖ **Video recorder** – Recorder, tripod, and memory stick are in and the cost is \$437. Need volunteers to record events. May ask students.
- ❖ **Young Americans** – Deb Stinson working on the food arrangements. Rachel working on the information and meal order brochure. Have 125 registered so far. Melanie will do tickets, maximum 1000, and could also do a meal ticket that could be punched if that is the way we want to do meals.
- ❖ **Member Sign for Concessions:** Jeff Heng – Working on it.
- ❖ **Business Certificates:** Jeff Heng – They are printed and will be distributed at meeting for hand-delivery.
- ❖ **Yard Signs:** Melanie Smith – The remaining orders for signs, name plates, and hangers have been filled. We have stock of all the hangers and a few signs, with more signs being repainted.
- ❖ **Concessions:** Trying to get workers organized for November and December.
- ❖ **Pancake Feed:** Jack Fischer - Sunday, February 28, 2010, serving from 8:30 – 1:30.
  - Have lined up pancake batter and syrup, juice, and have made contact with Ali Lampman and she is waiting to hear back from her supplier on sausages, butter, cups, plates and flatware.
  - Have tried to reach BC Knights on using their grill but have not heard back. Jeff Heimes said he was turned down last year. I am looking into renting griddles locally.
  - Need to get workers, signs, lined up. Invitations?, Newspaper.
  - Plan to have it all done before Christmas Break.
- ❖ **Sound Shells** – Rachel received a quote for the purchase of two more shells that was \$4551, including freight and 10% discount. Decided we would wait to get more and publicize the need for them at the Christmas Concert and the Pancake Feed.

#### **New Business:**

- ❖ **Lettering Policy Chorus** – Sixty points are required to letter in chorus and twenty points were offered to participate in the Conference Choral Clinic. Because of a scheduling conflict, many chorus members were unable to participate and a question was brought up about whether there could be another opportunity offered for twenty points. Miss Moser will consider it.
- ❖ **Bus Decisions** – The Music Boosters Policy (November 2008) states that we will pay for admission and transportation for the band to play at districts, play-offs, and state games. There was some discussion about this topic, as it could involve quite a bit of expense. There was no decision reached and the topic will be discussed again. For now, there was no change to the current policy.
- ❖ **Concession Needs** – The only Meal Deal night so far is set for Tuesday, January 12.

Closing prayer was lead by Jackie and meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 6, 2010, 7:00 p.m. in band room.