

University City High School Music Boosters
Minutes from March 15, 2011

Next Meeting: April 12, 2011

Attendance: Mike Cummins, Carolyn Suazo, Sheri McPherson, Marie Byrd, Kathy LaBelle, Nancy Kern, Bonnie MacRitchie, Bill Marsh, Linda Taylor, Lisa Stofan.

The meeting began at 6:40pm. Copies of the minutes from the last meeting were handed out, and were reviewed and passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Copies of the Treasurer's Report were passed around for review.
- Donations are \$260 over last year's.
- More Escript has been coming in. Information is on website but needs to be updated. Nancy will take over handling, will check to see who is registered, and will work on getting others to sign up.
- Surf Brothers Restaurant brought in \$222.81.
- There is one additional bus expense this year.
- Discussion came up regarding the need to carefully think about re-allocating money for next year's budget.
- The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and passed.

WINTERGUARD/COLORGUARD REPORT:

- Linda Taylor announced the Color Guard placed 5th at the last competition at Mira Mesa.
- Next competition is scheduled for March 26th at Westview High School.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Academic Awards Ceremony, March 22nd 6:00pm:** Jazz Band will perform. Students need to show up at 5:15pm. Parents will be given specifics via email.
- **Spring Concert, March 31st, 7:00pm**
Color Guard will usher and coordinate bake sale. Merchandise will be sold. Nancy's husband offered to help with equipment and PA system. Board Members will wear name tags and be available during the concert to sign parents up for Escript and add them to the Boosters' email distribution list. There will be an Opportunity Drawing to raffle off tickets to the Pops Concert. It was suggested to have the students make signs for the Concert to put up around the school. Announcements of the Concert need to be sent via school bulletin, UC Cluster email, and UCHS PTSA email.
- **Foster Elementary, May 6th**
Mr. Cummins needs 5 volunteers to help with equipment. Students will leave UC at 8:45am and will arrive back at school after 5th period.
- **Awards Banquet, May 24th, Bali Hai.** We need to choose entrees/sides. A \$500 deposit needs to be paid to the restaurant. Menu choices will be passed around to students to get their feedback. Outside desserts are okay to bring to the restaurant, Kathy will order two cakes; 1-chocolate and 1-white. Cost will be \$25 per person. Flyers need to be created and distributed to the students.
- **Jazz Festival, May 7th, CANCELLED.**
- **Leadership Camp is being held on May 7th at Mt. Carmel High.** This is a 2 hour session. We need to send out an announcement to parents and try to get an idea of how many are interested in attending. Boosters will pay for as many as they can.

- **Drum major tryouts begin in May.** In previous years, Mr. Cummins brought in professional judges (Auxiliary Unit Advisor, SBOA Judge) to give lessons to the students. Students are required to write an essay and perform for the judges
- An **End of Year party** is being planned for the students. More details to follow.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- **CDs for the Spring Concert** are being produced by an outside company. Cost to purchase is \$15 per CD. This is not a music department fundraiser. A suggestion was made to turn it into a Music Department fundraiser next year.
- **Uniforms** have been dry-cleaned. Carolyn prepared letters that should have been sent home with the students.
- **Site Governance Team (SGT) Meeting.** Some of the Boosters attended the last (SGT) meeting, and were well received. Mr. Olivero was clearly in support of the group's efforts to bring the Orchestra back. We were informed that the school needs to work on its master calendar, budget, etc. It was also suggested that the Boosters work on getting the word out that more students are needed to enroll in the class.
- **Pep Band.** There will be a Pep band next year and it will be offered on a voluntary basis. We need to map out guidelines for the Pep Band. A suggestion was made to order t-shirts for the Pep Band and let the kids pick the colors and/or design a logo. It was also suggested to allow the students to play more current music at the football and basketball games. A couple of parents volunteered to go through Mr. Cummins' music library to catalog and select music for the Pep Band. Also discussed was the Pep Band's need for flip books at the games.
- Discussion came up about creating a **name and logo for the Band.**
- The Boosters will continue to work with the **Centurion Foundation** to help the music students be more integrated into the school.
- A **budget and calendar meeting** will be scheduled in August.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm