**Cavalier Choir Booster Club General Assembly and Board Meeting**

**October 12, 2022**

***Meeting called to order at 7:04pm by Booster President, Donna Riley Garrett***

**Attendees:** Donna Riley Garrett, Sherill Patton, Tonia Jones, Kayt Sukel, Cara VanLoh, Erin Bodhaine, Ben Horton, Rachel Coleman

Meeting held in Cavalier choir room

**Minutes:** Recorded by Secretary, Cara VanLoh

**Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 14, 2022 meeting motioned by Tonia Jones and seconded by Sherill Patton.**

**President’s Report: (Donna Riley Garrett)**

By unanimous electronic vote, the Board approved expenses for a full choir trip to the American Classic & Music Festival and additional side trips. The students will travel on Saturday, March 25th to the Bayou Classic Festival for performance and then make subsequent visits to the Houston Museum of Natural Science (lunch not included) and the Kemah Boardwalk with dinner included at the Aquarium restaurant. Cost of the trip is approximately $28,222.00, which includes the festival fees, bus transportation, museum and Kemah entry tickets, dinner ticket and applicable fees/taxes. We have forwarded a deposit of $9,627.00 to the vendor. Subsequent payments will be due in December and January, with final headcount due in January. At this time, we are anticipating approximately 150 students, plus 15 adult chaperones.

**Current Business:**

1. Our student teacher, Miss Gonzalez was given a commemorative ornament, plus a handmade pen and 6 farewell cards, expensed to the Boosters. Additionally, the Boosters treated all classes to cookies on her last day.
2. Ready Set Fund fundraiser is complete. Arrangements will be made with Roger, sales rep, for direct deposit of donation payments. Additionally, a direct donation from students was received, in the amount of $3170.
3. Region choir workshop had good attendance. The $25 workshop fee included pizza and water. We had requests for additional plain cheese vs the larger order of pepperoni styles (we guesstimate the orders and traditionally, pepperoni is the most requested. Disparity may be the results of more girls in attendance than boys, but no real indicator of taste. Concession sales were not as successful as we would have liked. Candy prices were high at point of purchase, which resulted in greater cost at the stand. Unsold items will be used for region audition goodie bags, greenery gifts bags and region choir rehearsal.
4. A total of $128.67 was earned at the MOD Pizza spirit night – a check should arrive in 6 weeks.
5. Homecoming parade and pep rally was fun, but chaotic due to the number of participants in the parade and spectators.
6. Greenery fundraiser is starting a little slowly, additional notifications to parents will be needed. There are 3 prizes for the top sellers – a suggestion was made to possibly include the prize of throwing a pie in the face of the directors. Donna Riley Garrett and Leanne Doud will collect envelopes and funds.
7. Region choir audition went smoothly and our students did well.
8. Military Salute set for November 10th. CISD has implemented a new policy for fine arts events. A school administrator will monitor the single entry point for 30 minutes before the event begins and for 15 additional minutes. At that time, the doors will be locked and no late entry allowed. Tonia Jones secured a donation of 600 quarter-sized subs from Jersey Mikes! Student officers will set up on November 5th.
9. Sponsorship program – Donna, Tonia and Sherill spent a day seeking choir sponsorships and Military Salute sponsors. Locations visited: Honor Café (Conroe), Gullo Ford, Buckalew Chevrolet and Harley Davidson in The Woodlands.
10. Choir commitment fee – over 100 students have paid.

**New Business:**

1. RnB to perform at football game on October 14th with TWHS chamber choir.
2. Hocus Pocus Pops at the pavilion on October 14th, we have 40 seats available for students.
3. Varsity men’s T/B will travel to SHSU on October 18th to perform at 7:30pm. We will order subs from Jersey Mikes and Rachel Coleman will provide chips.
4. Fall concert, for the Chorale only, scheduled for October 20th at The Woodlands First Baptist Church.
5. Student lock-in scheduled for Friday, October 21st from 6:00pm – 9:00pm. Student officers will organize event.
6. Kendra Scott Give Back event in honor of Parker McCollum’s concert at the pavilion on Saturday, October 22nd. Patrons can shop in-store from 6:00pm – 8:00pm or online all weekend with code. A volunteer is needed to attend the in-store portion and ask shoppers to help support the CP choir.
7. RnB may perform at Caney Creek on October 27th, event not definite at this point.
8. CP Fine Arts Trunk-or-Treat scheduled for October 29th – a sign up will be available to decorate your car and hand out candy to students from CP feeder schools.
9. Penny Wars will take place October 31st – November 11th. Proceeds raised will be used for the choir’s Friendsgiving event.
10. Region choir rehearsal at CPHS on November 7th from 5:00pm – 9:00pm. Approximately 400 students are expected. Concessions will be available for pre-order – an example is 2 chicken tenders, chips and a drink for $5. Students must pre-pay with their order.
11. Friendsgiving will be organized by choir officers and will be held November 17th.
12. Pre-area workshop will be held on November 27th for CP students attending.

**Treasurer’s Report:** (Kayt Sukel)

1. Bank balance approximately $21K.
2. Possibly advertise being a sponsor at Military Salute?

**Director’s Report:** (Erin Bodhaine)

1. The freshmen are excited about their first military concert.
2. Goal is to completely sell out the concert.
3. December calendar is super busy, starting 12/1.
4. After the holidays, solo and ensemble will be held in January.

**1st Vice President’s Report:** (Tonia Jones)

1. A spirit night will be held at Raising Cane’s.
2. Crust Pizza will do a spirit night in November.
3. Discussed possible sponsorships from CBS or gun/ammo businesses.
4. Will reach out to: Trader Joe’s, Nothing Bundt Cake, Rainforest Florist and Popeyes.

**2nd Vice President’s Report:** (Sherill Patton)

1. 20 volunteers have signed up and been approved by CISD.
2. We have 10 additional volunteers that could help (teachers, board members, etc).
3. Looking for ways to increase volunteer numbers – possibly provide iPads at the Military Salute for parents to sign up?

**Next meeting scheduled for November 16th at 7:00pm**

***Donna Riley Garrett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:14pm, Tonia Jones seconded.***