

THSPA Booster Club Meeting Minutes - ROUGH DRAFT

17 OCTOBER 2018 / 4:30 PM / Conference Room

Attended - Christina Merrill, Jenni Heiner, Michelle Andes, Chris Andrus, Tanya Loman, Elizabeth Boggs, Kareen Warnick, Tiffany McDonald, Marci Miller, Ricki Chambers, Alisha Terry-Martin, Annetta Olsen, Jose Briseno, Ashley Hansen, Teryn Seegmiller

Welcome - Christina Merrill

- Approval of September 2018 meeting's minutes, Kareen made motion, Marci seconded, none opposed

Financial Report - Christina Merrill

- Spent \$1500 on Shakespeare Festival
- Vending is doing well
- We have budgeted money, tell your teachers funds request for student-enhancing needs

Admin Report - Chris Andrus

- We had fewer F's this last quarter than ever (since we began tracking data two yrs ago)
- Our students had the opportunity to get audition feedback from Disney recruiters
- TCA actors/actresses provided an audition workshop for students
- The Piano Guys (this hasn't even been released - y'all are the first) have agreed to do a couple numbers and a talk back for our students, date and time tba
- Drew Wilson, Chris Andrus Audrey and going to Harvard for instructional rounds
- A lot of teachers asking for help and being proactive (Jeremiah Lund removing tables)
- Seeing culmination of years of training (Neil Duncan being very successful and giving free tutoring)

Student Government - Jose Briseno, Ashley Hansen, Teryn Seegmiller

- Set up 6, walking around - 2, refreshments/clean up - 2 refreshments
- Sadies Volunteers: Set-up (6pm) Ricki, Tanya, Annetta Olson. Stay - Kareen/Kevin Warnick, Christina Merrill
- Preference - February 16 is next dance
- Prom (April)
- Grad Night: we give information and student gov will distribute survey

Studio/Committee Reports - past/upcoming events

Academics (Tiffany Moore) - spoke to several teachers about ideas for enhancing but no current needs

Ballroom/Community Council (Christine France) - next week is Community Council

Dance (Tanya Loman) - Shakespeare Competition was a really fun weekend. The kids were great ambassadors for THSPA and I'm proud of the work they did and how they represented themselves and the school.

We are still busily preparing for dance concert. Student choreographers have their peer feedback session this Friday. It's exciting to see pieces starting to come together and amazing to hear the feedback the kids give each other. It is candid and constructive and helpful in their process.

We are looking forward to having Nicholas Daulton and Michael Crotty come in November and December for master classes. They are both incredible dancers and amazing teachers. Can't wait for the kids to have their perspectives.

Film/Animation (Elizabeth Boggs) - email contact

Guitar/Band/Piano (Kareen Warnick) - Guitar are taking LA trip Feb 6-9 \$300 with art production group, piano looking at getting more music

Improv (Alisha Terry-Martin) -

Madrigals - (Candace Hafen) - Mr. Lister's only real need right now is getting the Madrigals group costumed. They wore some borrowed choir robes for the Shakespeare Festival, but that isn't the intended attire for the year. We already have two co-chairs over costuming with a committee. The costume choice is decided and approved, they are just now working on getting measurements and orders done. The committee and I will be helping with that. They will be asking parents to pay for costumes and they do need to be ordered immediately due to needing them for holiday performances.

Booster has grants available for students in hardship. Students should speak to the teacher who will facilitate obtaining Grant Request Forms from Drew. Protocol for paying for costumes is to pay through Heather in the office.

I think other than that, things are going fine with the choir program. Mr. Lister seems pleased that Superior ratings were received on all performances at Shakespeare. Yay!

Musical Theatre (Tiffany McDonald) - Help is needed for gold skirts (material/sewing), Disney trip will be \$400-\$600..? Fundraising options have been discussed, will speak to Drew regarding forms and approval

Orchestra (Michelle Andes) - Lacey was hoping to go to Disney but there aren't enough people so maybe the Youth Symphony Orchestra could go but they won't be able to. She is looking for ideas on what to do with them to enhance their experience and draw back some of those kids. Kareen suggested Piano Guys Sharp having focus on orchestra would be great

Sound Engineering (Sadie Best) - Our first Open Mic night was a great success.

We have another Open Mic tentatively scheduled for November 9th, we have enough water and napkins for another round. Ryan is wondering if we should consider doing a CD of Christmas music featuring Tuacahn students for this year. Tiffany McDonald said they did it last year and the cost was a few hundred for 200 cd's that were all wrapped and ready. It went really well. Is that something students would sell and parents would purchase, and is that a viable way to raise funds?

Tech Theatre - (Marci Miller) - Hasn't been able to speak to her in person except back to school night. She's interested in show tech shirts (black on black) for techies for use with all the shows. Want it to be uniform approved so can wear on show shirt day. Chris Andrus will be the one to connect with. Carrie will approve who allowed to purchase.

Theatre (Jenni Heiner) - Shakespeare in Love rehearsals are going well. Parents measured for costumes last week. Disney came down and are happy with what they see. Gender swap to match roles with students great and they also want costumes to match characters. We need help from parents with sewing skills for specialty skirts (very simple pattern) for the men. Alisa Terry-Martin can if we don't have enough volunteers.

Visual Art (Ricki Chambers) - Just upcoming art trip with guitar, Dixie Direct comes out in two weeks keep, \$17.50, no high schools are doing it. Stradley is doing NY trip

Back-to-school Night

- Chris Andrus will be the one to connect with treats 02/07

Homecoming

- Homecoming went really well, love our diversity

Grad Night - fundraiser money from teacher talent show/movie night, give \$1500

- Fiesta Fun, Washington Rec Center
- THSPA
- Student Council to do survey (Jenni to give info to student rep)

Fundraising

- Pizza Pie Cafe - just need advertise

Recorded by Jenni Heiner