

**SHMPA General Meeting**  
**Wednesday, October 7, 2009**

A general meeting of the Shepherd Hill Music Parents Association was held on October 7, 2009.

**President's Welcome:**

President Don Montville welcomed all. The meeting started early due to Tri-M induction immediately following the meeting at 7 PM.

**Secretary's Report:**

The minutes of the September 2, 2009 meeting were presented for review by Jeanne Bigelow. The minutes were accepted as written.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Walt Seagrave presented Profit & Loss as well as Balance Sheet statements for review. Out total equity is \$ 4,178.91. Our profit for Old Home Day Sales is \$ 857.27 (\$ 352 for soda and \$505.28 for food). This amount was less than last year (2008 amount was approximately \$ 1127).

**Directors' Reports:**

Cindy Snow reported that 8 bands will be performing at the home show. Dudley Middle School is playing the National Anthem. The school committed has approved the days away from school for the marching band Philadelphia trip. Arrangements are being made for a marching band parade and a jazz band performance and will be announced at a later date.

Regarding the marching band trip to Nationals in Annapolis, the plan is to leave on Thursday November 5 at about noon. Rehearsal is Friday at the same high school as last year. Mrs. Snow is unsure of performance time for Friday as of yet. This is determined by lottery.

**Old Business:**

**Old Home Day:** Don reported that there was a bit of an overlap with food booths this year with more than one booth selling a certain item. This makes it hard to guess how much one will need to begin with.

**Yard Sale:** The yard sale was held inside due to rain. Everything went well. We had a large number of volunteers who helped both Friday night for set up and on Saturday for the yard sale. The trailer is empty and has been picked up. Final numbers will be available at the next meeting. We are awaiting the bill for the janitor for the day.

**Financial Requests:**

- Mrs. Snow has no requests.
- Mrs. Galli requested \$840.10 for material for pink dresses for Illusion. We had seen an estimate which included this. A motion was made and approved to pay \$840.10 to Mrs. Galli for the pink material for Illusion dresses. This was approved.
- A request was made for the SHMPA to provide the \$500 prize for the raffle that is done as a fundraiser and is awarded at the holiday show in December. The students are able to sell raffle tickets for \$1 apiece with the prize being \$500. The dollar amount of tickets that are sold by each student may be taken off the amount that they owe for a certain trip that the music group that they belong to is going on. A motion was made to provide the \$500 prize money for the raffle. This was approved.

**Store Receipts:** We talked about our account at Park & Shop. Don explained that we need to be careful how we use it and make sure if we are making purchases for a music parents function that an itemized bill is presented to a board member for payment.

Spending must be kept to a minimum on this account. He explained that the E-board will meet soon to discuss how to handle the Park & Shop account and if any changes need to be made with regard to who uses it. We have received a first bill for \$167.95 for items needed for Fantasy camp. We have now received a second bill for \$305.54. We had previously approved \$200 for each camp. A motion was made and approved to pay the additional amount of \$105.54 to cover the Park & Shop bill. This correction has been made. The minutes were otherwise accepted as written.

**Ad Book:** It's all set. Dawn Vayo had a copy of the cover to show us. The income was \$4200. The number ordered was 600 for show choir and 200 for band (1500 ordered for last year). A suggestion was made to purchase the Music Dept a digital camera to be able to obtain good quality pictures for the ad book. This will be discussed further at a later date.

**Craft Fair:** Barbara Provo reported there are 19 vendor openings. There are 3-4 applications in the mail. We need 15 tables from the church in Auburn that we borrow from each year. Jim Boyle will be picking those up on Friday night. Publicity – Robyn said posters will be available at our November meeting for members to take and distribute to local businesses for advertising purposes. Ads have been placed in Charlton Gazette for \$50, The Lion's sign in front of Ted's for \$50. We talked about placing an ad in Stonebridge Press (2x2 business ad) to reach 33 towns for \$392. We decided to eliminate advertising in the Telegram & Gazette this year since this reaches the same subscribers/towns. Jim & Yvonne Lambert were present for the meeting. They have been storing the large craft fair signs at their home and are no longer music parents. They brought the signs for us to take back. Jim Boyle was kind enough to take these signs in his truck tonight.

**Home Marching Band Show:** Set up at 10:00 weather permitting. Rain is forecast for the morning. If the set up is to be delayed due to the weather a notice will be put on our website. Sign up sheet was again available for people to volunteer for tonight. We will sell the travel mugs at the home show for \$6 each with free hot chocolate and coffee refills. Don asked anyone who has a full propane tank available to bring it on Saturday for set up.

**New Business:**

None.

**Open Discussion:**

None.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM for Tri-M induction in the auditorium to follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne M. Bigelow  
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