

**SHMPA General Meeting**  
**Wednesday, November 4, 2009**

A general meeting of the Shepherd Hill Music Parents Association was held on November 4, 2009

**President's Welcome**

President, Don Montville welcomed all to the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 7:05.

**Secretary's Report:**

The minutes of the October 7 general meeting were represented for review by Jeanne Bigelow. There is one correction on the top of page 2. It should read: 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.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Walter Seagrave presented Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss statements for review. Band show net so far is \$3900 with some outstanding registrations. Don has given him three more tonight. We have not received a police bill or a custodian bill as of yet. He reported that income was up compared to last year. Our total equity is \$9310.28.

**Directors' Reports:**

**Show Choir Reunion** – Mrs. Galli reported that 45 people have signed up for the reunion concert on Thanksgiving weekend. There is an on-line registration available. Show choir and parents are sponsoring a reception on Saturday evening. Talent show will be on Saturday. A reunion performance will take place on Sunday at 2 PM. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Mrs. Galli was asked if the MPA could set up a table at the Sunday performance to sell travel mugs. This will be done.

**Boar's Head** – Saturday December 5. Parent help is needed in the kitchen.

**Financial Requests** – Mrs. Snow requested that one additional staff (Mike Barrows) member be paid \$400 for his assistance with the drum line. This was not in the anticipated fall expenses. A motion was made to pay an additional \$400 to this staff member. This was approved. We have received a bill for \$577 for flag material, \$500 had already been approved. A motion was made and approved to pay the additional \$77.93.

**Old Business:**

**Mugs** – We sold 52 travel mugs at the home marching band show for \$6 apiece with free hot drinks (coffee/hot chocolate).

**Ad Book** – It came out great. Dawn Vayo would like somebody to step forward and take over for next year as she has only one more year as a music parent. This would enable this person to spend one year with Dawn to learn the ropes before Dawn “graduates.” Don mentioned that there are a few positions that will be open next year that we need people to fill.

**Home Marching Band Show** – The show went well. We were reminded that when the students help it is not in a capacity of money handling without supervision but assistance is appreciated in other areas. The fried dough sold out, so consideration should be given next year to increasing the amount to start off with. Chicken tenders always go over big. A suggestion was made to have a couple of pairs of large rubber gloves to use for people at the drink station for use with their hands in icy coolers

**New Business:**

**Craft Fair** – Volunteer sheet again sent around. A note will be put on the website for people to put signs up in their yards. Signs may be returned at our December meeting. Posters are available at this meeting for people to help putting up around area businesses. The name tags are ready for the students to wear to be easily identified as “helpers.” A request has been made by a crafter who makes cookies that they be allowed to place an order form at their booth for shoppers to order cookies. This was discussed and approved.

We discussed that the students will be given shifts to work and nobody should be there all day with the exception of the students who have no choice but to be present all day due to parent involvement. Discussion was had regarding assigning students to the different areas/wings of the crafter booths.

**Open Discussion:**

The cabinets have been installed in the “band café.” All the cabinets are locked and already have been filled with the items from our old storage area on the stage. This will make it easier for us to find things. The total bill is \$1223.31 plus \$ 148.21 for hardware. We had encumbered \$1500 for this project.

Any parent of a senior is asked to send in pictures for the slide show to Alexandra Msaddi ASAP please.

We will once again do a coat room for the V-dance for students to store their jackets, etc. Don will call Mrs. Pierangeli to request approval for this.

Tina Prior – Our school council representative – reported that at their last meeting they were informed that \$660,000 was being cut from the district transportation budget. A request was made at that meeting to have parents/students write letter to the Governor regarding this cut. Tina gave us a list of addresses to send these letters.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15 PM. Next meeting Wednesday, December 2, 2007 at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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