# Association of Music Parent (AMP) Board Meeting Agenda September 5, 2019 (Orchestra/Choir Room at GBW) 

ATTENDANCE: Ed Herlihy, Melissa Herlihy, Janet Wuertzer, Mary LaVaque, Barri Maaske, Jodi Baltimore, Lena Herrero, Pat Meyes, Afshan Hafiz, Josh Storm, Andy Jeffrey, Pam Kelleher, Melissa O’Neill, William Ortega, Lisa Cardwell, Amy Goodman, Sherry Scheller, Mary Campagna, Jon Walsh, Susan Blatt, Sharon Ick, Roshanda Jones, Lynn LaPlante Allaway, Wendy Garland

1. Call to Order-Susan Blatt at 7:01pm
2. Review and approval of minutes from the last 2 meetings of AMP
(May 29. 2019 \& August 7, 2019) Motion to approve 5/29/2019 Minutes-Mary LaVaque; seconded by Pam Kelleher. Vote followed with unanimous 'yay' vote. Motion to approve 8/07/2019 Minutes-Melissa O'Neill; seconded by Janet Wuertzer. Vote followed with unanimous 'yay' vote.
3. Presidents' Report—Susan Blatt We had a successful Curtain Raiser. Next thing on agenda is for Audit Committee to meet on September $9^{\text {th }}$ at Mary Campagna's house. Committee comprised of Lisa Estes Jodi Herbold \& Liz Vogel along with the VPs, Amy Goodman, Janet Wuertzer \& Melissa O'Neill. Mary will send a check list.
4. Vice Presidents' Report-Amy Goodman -Looking forward to Lyric Opera and the upcoming Orchestra Concert.

Janet Wuertzer- Band Board created a social event: A Taco Party hosted at Mary
LaVaque's house attended by all bands.
Melissa O'Neill Choir BBQ was well attended and everyone had a great time!
5. Orchestra Director's Report—Bill Ortega

## ORCHESTRA

Now that the dust has settled, there are currently 62 string players in Orchestra.
-28 violins
-16 violas
-13 celli
-5 double basses
NEW PURCHASES

- to the GW Boosters for purchasing two new violins.
- Thank you to the office of the Assistant Principal of Operations (Stacy Scumacci)
for purchasing one new viola and a new cello rack which was broken over the summer.
CURTAINRAISER
August 26 - Success! No one got hurt.
Senior Gillian Dailey was the martial artist who was twirling what is called a Bo.
PLAY FOR MR. ORTEGA
All string players played for Mr. Ortega the first full week of school and the students now have a seating chart. The front stand of each section are the strongest players and their seats will stay the same. The remainder of each section has older students paired with less experienced students. Seats will rotate periodically.
The most advanced students were placed in the Honor String Orchestra which plays more advanced literature in addition to what we play in Concert Orchestra.


## MENTORS/MENTEES

Some of the more experienced string players have volunteered to work with some of the younger talent once a week during class.
UNIFORMS
All new string players are being measured this week for a uniform (tuxedo/black dress)
and will soon receive it along with a bill. If available, students will receive a used uniform (cleaned), which will cost less than a new one. If a used uniform in the student's size is unavailable, a new uniform will be issued.
Note: The new dresses are all VERY long and will need to be hemmed along with other alterations as needed. Tuxedo pants will also need to be hemmed.
Returning students will need to try on their uniform and if it "shrunk", they need to bring them in, get re-measured, and receive a replacement (at no cost).
Note: The replacement uniform may need to be hemmed as needed.
COOKIE DOUGH
All orders have been turned in.

## ILLINOIS MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION (ILMEA) DISTRICT 9 AUDITION

This is an optional activity for more advanced high school musicians. All audition music and information can be found on the GW Orchestra Schoology page.

- Auditions:
- Tuesday, October 1
- 4-9pm
- Addison Trail High School
- Festival:
- Saturday, November 2
- Rehearsal: 8am-1:30pm
- Concert: 3:00pm
- East Aurora High School


## HOMECOMING

Saturday, September 28
We hope for the Orchestra to have a car in the parade.
DISTRICT 87 STRING FEST
This concert will feature three orchestras:

- \#1 of 3: a combined Middle School Orchestra from all the District 87 sender schools
- The orchestra directors from the three Glenbard high schools will be their guest conductors.
- \#2 of 3: a combined High School Chamber Orchestra from Glenbards South and East.
- Chamber Orchestra is for less experienced string players at the high school level. West currently does not have a second level of orchestra.
- East has three levels of strings
- (Philharmonic, Chamber, and Concert Orchestras)
- South has two levels of strings
- (Chamber, and Concert Orchestras)
- West has one level of strings
- (Concert Orchestra)
- \#3 of 3: a combined High School Concert Orchestra from Glenbards South, East, and West with guest conductor Randy Swiggum.
- Dates:
- REHEARSAL \#1 of 2: Tuesday, October 8 7-9pm at G. South
- REHEARSAL \#2 of 2: Wednesday, October 16 7-9pm at G. West
- DRESS REHEARSAL: Thursday, October 17 8am-2pm at G. West's Biester Gym
- CONCERT: Thursday, October 17 at 7:30pm at G. West's Biester Gym LYRIC OPERA FIELD-TRIP
Friday, October 18 @ 7:00pm - "The Barber of Seville" by Rossini.
- Orchestra only
- $\quad 54$ students and family members attending
- $\quad \$ 30$ (does not include Metra ticket)
- $\quad$ Sung in Italian with English supertitles projected above the stage.
- It's a comedy. In the past when we saw this same opera, kids were surprised how funny it was - not expected from an opera.
- Counts as Concert Attendance

Be sure to watch the Bugs Bunny cartoon "The Rabbit of Seville" which parodies this famous opera.
6. Choir Director's Report—Andy Jeffrey

School has started
All choirs have been placed in sections and quartets for Chamber and Advanced Treble Choirs
Musical Auditions have occurred and we have started rehearsals
Choir BBQ happened on $8 / 23$ with about 65 attendees - thanks to O'Neills for
chaperoning
Curtainraiser has happened and no one got hurt
Back to school night last Thursday
Open mic night at Glenbard East for ILMEA interest
Concert attire measurements
We will be receiving a new Clavinova from a foundation
Upcoming
ILMEA rehearsals upcoming Tuesdays until auditions
D87 men's festival at North on 9/19
Football concessions on 9/14 and 9/28
Float for homecoming with theater
October 9 Dress rehearsal FUMC 6-9 p.m.
October 10 Concert at FUMC 7:30 p.m.
7. Band Director's Report—Jon Walsh

Completed
Freshman Orientation - 8/9
MB Parent Night - 8/12 on Memorial
School Starts - 8/14
Curtainraiser - 8/26
Pep Rally on TV - Fri 8/30
Taco Party - Fri 8/30
Football Game - 8/31
Upcoming
Football Games - 9/7, 9/14 (Concessions), 9/28 (Concessions)
8th Grade Day - 9/20
ILMEA auditions - 10/1
Band Concert - 10/3
8. Corporate Treasurer's Report—Mary Campagna - Financials Settled and can be seen below. There hasn't been a lot of Activites, though. Audit will be done on 9/9.

9. Student Account Treasurer's Report- Heidi Hoppe (not present) Update: Remind parents/students to check balance on AMP website by ID\#. Underneath is a link to a form to actually use that money.
10. Secretary's Report—Wendy Garland
11. Committee Reports
b. Volunteer Coordinator- Cherri Morawski (not present) Update: Asks Chairs to check google doc for accurate info.
c. Social Committee - Shanna Faris (with Susan Blatt): Would like to propose motion to approve cost of Social that will be on 9/7 (\$350 for Jimmy John's sandwiches and Buona Beef Salads.) There are 73 people responding that they're attending at the Faris' house. Motion to approve cost-Mary LaVaque; seconded by Barri Maaske. Vote followed with unanimous 'yay' vote. Additionally, would like to plan a second event this year.
d. Fundraising - Nancy Perlman (not present) UPDATE: The Cooking Skills Academy is on hold for Saturday, November 16 from 6 pm -9 pm . Chef Paul there said that for more than 30 people, the Iron Chef Battle works the best. He said a cooking class would get too big. The Iron Chef Battle has a minimum of 30 and a maximum of 100. The Cost is: $\$ 59$ per person $\$ 30$ goes to AMP per person

If we want to add a dessert table, the price goes up $\$ 5$ to $\$ 64$ per person. Includes cookies, brownies, pastries, etc.) They write us a check at the end of the evening. Here is the breakdown of the evening:

6 pm - 6:30 pm Chef Demo
6:30 pm - 7 pm Iron Chef Battle (They provide the pasta and pasta machines, ingredients for marzano or cream or EVOO sauce and many spices, wine, vinegar, cheese, vegetables, etc. The team chooses the options and ingredients there. $7 \mathrm{pm}-9 \mathrm{pm}$ Dinner is cooked for us in the kitchen and served to us at table in the banquet space area.

Since they are BYOB, alcohol is ordered separately. We can bring it ourselves or have it delivered. They set up stemware et al for our use.

1. Confirm Nov. 16, 6 pm- 9 pm
2. $\$ 59$ or $\$ 64$ with dessert
3. Cooking Chef Battle - Italian food - Seems like only option
4. BYOB not provide alcohol
5. Platforms for marketing the event (Who will do this and create a flyer to put in newsletter, on Facebook page, to print out for concerts, etc.
Include name of event, date and time, location, menu, cost, my contact information nancyeperlman@gmail.com or 630-469-7969 - Anything else?
6. Platform for the food allergy form.

Melissa O'Neill recommended Survey Monkey for food allergy form and RSVP. Motion to approve cost with dinner only, excluding the $\$ 5$ extra for dessert-Mary LaVaque; seconded by Pam Kelleher. Vote followed with unanimous 'yay' vote.
--Janet Wuertzer brought up "Love your Melon" fundraiser with the following details:
Miniumum of 200 units to be paid upfront at $\$ 20 /$ ea and to be sold at $\$ 30 / e a$.
Consensus: cute idea but no due to initial cost and price point.
e. Annual Contributions - Sherry Scheller Donations are coming in fast and furious. We've gotten a lot of money. Passed checks off to Mary and updated lists sent to Lisa Cardwell ato update website when closer to concert season. $9 / 23$ is deadline to be in program (for program Ads, too)
f. Marching Band volunteers - Wendy Garland COMPLETED
g. Great Lakes Scrips - Pam Kelleher We're ROCKING since they're now taking credit cards. Sherry Juergensen bought lots and giving all \$\$ directly to AMP. If you know anyone interested, let them know all about it!
h. Barone's- Lee Fruit (Winter activity between Greens and Poinsettias)
i. Greens - Ed \& Melissa Herlihy (late fall activity) Order Packets to be distributed on $10 / 16$ (proposed start date) and ending on 10/30. All money goes to student AMP accounts. Delivery on 11/23. Always make down payment and gave info to Mary Campagna. Their son is a junior so the Herlihy's are looking for a person to shadow them to take over in the future.
j. Communications - Jodi Baltimore Asked opinions on whether there are too many? Unanimous to "keep 'em coming!" To post on facebook, send to VPs to post. Should she make Scripps a feature in the October newsletter? YES!
k. Yard Signs - Shana Faris Had ordered 100, has sold approximately half
I. Sweatshirts - Wendy Garland Michael Snyder has a contact to get special pricing starting 11/1/19 so we'll revisit as we get closer.
m. Marketing/Promotion/Website - Lisa Cardwell Made changes to website for organization and updates. Contributions are now front and center. Scripps is revolving on the side. Overall, Lisa is getting more comfortable with the whole process
n. Cookie Dough - Barri Maaske \& Cathy Basso (fall activity) 35 less students participated this year as compared to last year. \$900 less boxes sold, too. 10/12 delivery in rooms 107 (music lab) and 110 (band room). Enter door 19 and show up after 3pm for easiest access when buses leave.
o. Poinsettias - Susan Blatt (late fall activity) NO UPDATE
p. Butterbraids - (spring fundraiser) NO UPDATE
q. Concessions - Mary LaVaque Sign-ups were 'off' so she's updating times. Still need someone to train. Homecoming concessions still light, need 4 more people.
r. Madrigals/Cabaret Night (spring activity) NO UPDATE
s. Program Ads - Mary LaVaque \& Lindsay Pekny AMP ads are due 9/23. Send any style because they will make them fit.
12. Unfinished Business/New Business:

1) Jon Walsh-As part of Taco Night, kids kicked in money but AMP helped paid, too, since AMP has excess monies to spend after years of accruing. Proposes Motion to subsidized taco night $\$ 563.38$ by Wendy Garland. Seconded by Melissa Herlihy. Vote followed with unanimous 'yay' vote.
2) Andy Jeffrey-Choir proposes motion to subsidize Choir BBQ approximately $\$ 165$ (receipt to follow) by Pam Kelleher. Seconded by Janet Wuertzer. Vote followed with unanimous 'yay' vote.
Meeting Adjourned at 8:06pm
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2019/2020 Meeting Dates:
    Aug 7 @ 7pm
    Aug 26 (at Curtainraiser)
    Sept 5-@ 7pm (It's a Thursday!)
    Oct 2@ 7pm
    Oct 30@ 7pm
    Jan 8@ 7pm
    Feb 5@ 7pm
    Apr 8@ 7pm
    May 6 @ 7pm
    May }18\mathrm{ (Awards Night &
            General Membership
            Meeting)
May 27
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