

WESTERN BRANCH ORCHESTRA PARENTS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, May 26, 2015  
7:00 PM Western Branch High School Orchestra Room

Attendees:

Patty Grimes – President  
Lisa Moorman - Secretary  
Sharon Keverline – Co-Treasurer  
Martin Glasco – Director WBHS  
Alice Glasco-Director WBMS  
Leah Rosenberg – JMS Director

Crystal Hastings – Uniform Coordinator  
Becky Lawson – Raffles  
Carol Ann Blair – Senior Banquet  
Jenny Osborne – Plant Sales  
Nancy Demkowski -- JMS Liaison

Items discussed:

**PRESIDENT COMMENTS**

Per Patty, since no changes were made to the minutes, the minutes were approved.

**BUDGET**

The budget was presented. Per Sharon, there are outstanding debts still owed to WBOPA for the Annapolis trip probably resulting from the \$20 extra per student and \$50 extra per chaperone that was tacked on to the original cost of the trip. This was needed as 2 kids backed out. Per Sharon, the BB&T account is closed and the donut sale money from the spring plant sale has not been deposited. Jenny still has those funds. Patty questioned the \$3,000 decrease in funds for High School Trip Expenses. Per Sharon, this is not an accurate reflection of our current standing in that category.

**PLANT SALES**

Per Jenny Osborne, 1816 plants were sold during our Spring Plant Sale which should result in a \$3,701.24 profit. In 2013, 2049 plants were sold.

**FUNDRAISING**

Kym Pool texted Patty asking if we could make a list of community sponsors to put in our concert programs.

**TRIPS**

Per Martin, Heritage is promoting price incentives if we book a trip now. Should we make a deposit to freeze prices?

Per Martin, the WBHS band is putting in an application for the Gold Festival in San Francisco, CA. Martin and the chorus director have been put on the application to see if our school system will approve. Band and orchestra would perform separately and the combined. Application states that a maximum of 55 students and chaperones can go on this trip. We would have to hold auditions. We would probably have an Annapolis and Myrtle Beach trip.

**CONCERTS AND SENIOR REGIONALS**

Per Alice, Senior Regional Music has come out. Auditions will be September 26, 2015 at Kellam High School in Virginia Beach. There will be concerts at JMS on Thursday, May 28, 2015 and WBHS on Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at 7pm. Per Martin, Spencer Smith, his student teacher, will be playing drums. He said the WBOPA gave Spencer, who chaperoned the Annapolis trip, a caricature made of him at Kings Dominion on the trip back home. We will continue to promote the WBOPA webpage at concerts.

**RAFFLES**

Per Becky, there are only two more concerts left for Raffles. Per Sharon, our net profit resulting from Raffles is \$2,100.

**SENIOR BANQUET**

Per Carol Ann, she showed the board a copy of the Senior Banquet invitation. Volunteers can show up as early as 9am at Centenary United Methodist Church on Cedar Road to help set up. The banquet is Friday, June 5, 2015. Dinner is served at 6:30pm. Senior pictures need to be turned in along with a RSVP by May 29, 2015. If you are not going to eat, you can come at 7pm.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS**

Per Martin, he had only one application for the scholarships offered by WBOPA so he extended the deadline. He now has five applications for four scholarships. He suggested that he needs to reduce the number of scholarships from four to two next year.

Per Martin, he will be giving out awards/plaques to outstanding students in each class during the concert. He had some samples of plaques. He wanted to know if kids would want a plaque. Mr. Didawick made a plaque with engraving for \$15. It was suggested that we could use that plaque as a fundraiser.

### **WBOPA OFFICERS FOR 2015-16**

Per Patty, she went over the board officers for the 2015-16 year. They would be Patty Grimes-President; Kym Pool-Vice President; Shawna Mustgrave and Sharon Keverline as Co-treasurers. The position for Secretary has not been filled yet. Lisa Short and Kelly James were suggested for this open position. Once all positions are filled, a vote will be taken at concerts. We need liaisons for JMS and WBMS. It was suggested that a Liaison be a Concert Manager where they would fold programs, direct students at concerts, follow a check list given to them by the Director, etc.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Per Martin, Denise Conter would like to do orchestra student pictures.

Per Patty, our website will be completed over the summer and that forms are needed to put on our website. Per Martin, the Cox High School Orchestra website is great. He suggested we look at it. When trying to find out website, we are to Google Western Branch Orchestra not Western Branch High School.

Per Becky, Homecoming is October 23, 2015 and we need someone to volunteer to build the orchestra float for the Homecoming Parade.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 7pm at Patty Grimes house. It would be a potluck last meeting of the school year. Since our meeting in May, the June 16th meeting has postponed since Martin had to be out of town.

The meeting was dismissed at 8:59pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa Moorman  
WBOPA Secretary