

Oregon Choral Boosters (OCB)
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Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2010, 6:30 p.m.
OHS Choir Room

Oregon Choral Board Members							
Member	Position	Present	Absent	Member	Position	Present	Absent
Christine Ayers	President	x		Marcy Heim	Publicity Chair	x	
Susan Brown	Treasurer	x		Carol Shirk	Secretary	x	
Madeleine Chisman	Scholarship Chair	x		Colleen Slusser	Concert Reception Chair		x
				Vacant	Fundraising Chair		
Oregon Choral Directors				Members at Large			
				Diane Feest, Peggy Jacobson			
Director				Guests			
		Present	Absent	None			
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Secretary's Report – Carol Shirk

Motion made by Marcy to approve minutes from September 13, 2010, OCB meeting. Motion seconded by Sue.

Fundraising

Christine will be assembling the Elegant Farmer and Bright Idea fundraising orders this week. The orders will be sent in on Friday, October 22, 2010. Orders will be delivered the afternoon of November 12th to the high school kitchen. Jennifer will check with the custodial staff to see if they will be available that afternoon to receive the delivery and if she needs to complete a work order requesting their assistance. Christine will confirm the exact delivery time.

Pick-up of fundraiser items will be held November 13th from 9 am to 1 pm. The pick-up will be held in the serving area of the high school commons. Christine solicited help from other OCB board members to assist with the pick-up process.

Lindsay Rundle made a \$10 donation to OCB in lieu of ordering items.

The idea of selling Elegant Farmer food items during intermission of the high school musical “Bye Bye Birdie” was further discussed. Concerns raised were lack of place to operate or sell items from, and items not sold will go to waste or will need to be purchased by OCB. The decision was made to table the idea for now and revisit it later as a possible fundraising opportunity for next year.

The idea of selling candy canes was further discussed. Jennifer indicated the high school will need to grant permission before candy canes can be sold. Christine will proceed with completing the required paperwork to obtain permission. Provided permission is granted, candy cane sales will occur the week of November 29th through December 2nd. Signs will be hung promoting the sale of the candy canes during the lunch hour at all three schools. The signs will also promote the choir concert that will be held on December 2nd.

Christine read an e-mail Heather Rattmann received from Scott Grover, grandfather of Sammie Carothers. Scott was offering OCB members the opportunity to partner with the Madison Central Lions Club to sell concessions at UW Madison football and basketball games. Volunteers must be at least sixteen years of age. Marcy suggested we check into partnering with Oregon Band Boosters rather than the Lions Club because the band boosters are also in need of additional volunteers. Before responding to Scott Grover, Christine will follow up with DeeDee King, Oregon Band Booster President, to see if it's possible for OCB members to partner with the band boosters for sale of concessions.

Concert Reception

Oregon High School – December 2nd

- Christine left a message for Colleen to make sure she will be available to organize the reception after the concert. Should Colleen be unavailable, Peggy Jacobson agreed to coordinate the reception.
- Christine will purchase plastic decorative table cloths.
- Jennifer indicated that last year's notice requesting baked goods from student's families can go out again this year. Jennifer will send a copy of the notice to Carly also so she can distribute it to her students.

Rome Corners Intermediate School – December 7th

- Carly suggested we contact Sean Cashman's parents to assist with the reception after the RCI concert on December 7th. His parents are always eager to help. Christine will follow up with them and coordinate the reception if necessary.

Treasurer's Report – Sue Brown

Sue provided an update of funds currently in OCB bank accounts. As of the date of the report, October 18th, the savings account had a balance of \$1,734.00 and the checking account had a balance of \$4,650.62. A certificate of deposit worth \$3,031.49 renewed on September 27, 2010, and will mature March 28, 2011. The total funds in all accounts are \$9,416.11.

Scholarship Chair Report – Madeleine Chisman

Nothing to report.

Publicity Chair Report – Marcy Heim

Marcy provided an update on the status of the electronic newsletter. She trialed the newsletter with parents of students performing in "Bye Bye Birdie," and all were very supportive. No one requested to "unsubscribe" from the newsletter. Jennifer and R.J. Heim need to get together again to make some edits before they distribute the first newsletter to OCB members.

Director's Reports – Carly Wacker and Jennifer Yancey

Carly Wacker – OMS and RCI

Carly's long-term substitute position will be ending at the end of November. She will help Heather Rattmann with the December concerts and then she will be done. She hasn't received any firm offer yet from the district regarding the long-term substitute position that will be available next year. However, she will most likely be the Madrigal Director so she will continue to work at OMS in that capacity.

Carly provided some feedback that she received from the OMS principal, Jim Pliner. He is new to the district and had many questions about OCB when she approached him about the most recent fundraiser. Heather reached out to him and explained the purpose of OCB, the purpose of the fundraisers and the fact that the money raised from the fundraisers, benefits all music students at RCI, OMS and OHS.

Jennifer Yancey – OHS

The fundraiser items sold to benefit student's individual accounts have arrived. Jennifer provided Sue with the invoice so she can pay the vendor.

Choral groups will be going to the Overture Center November 3rd, to see an Italian opera called *The Marriage of Figaro*.

Saturday, January 15, 2011, the Madison Boychoir Festival will be held at Edgewood College. Jennifer solicited some of the high school boys to participate. The artistic director's for the day will be Albert Pinesault and Mike Ross. The students will learn music and perform it later in the day. Jennifer will also attend with the students.

OAKE National Concert Choir in Minneapolis – 4 boys and 5 girls made audition CD's. Jennifer hopes they are selected and have the opportunity to perform at the convention in March 17 – 19, 2011.

Next Meeting

November 15th, 2010, 6:30 p.m., OHS choir room.

Submitted by Carol Shirk, OCB Secretary