

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026

# VOCAL ARTS BOOSTER

## CLUB MEETING MINUTES



1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:01PM
  - A. Approval/Changes to the agenda: motion: Nissen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Clary
  - B. Approval of last month's minutes: motion 2<sup>nd</sup> Nissen
  - C. Treasurer's Report: motion L Vassmer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Joly
    - i. S Scott bal: \$7,659.68
    - ii. Hello Dolly profit: \$529
    - iii. Cards on Broadway profit: \$39
  
2. OLD BUSINESS
  - A. Musical – musical was April 17-19<sup>th</sup>
    - i. Boosters donated \$1,000 to musical for expenses – MR B = “It was spent!”
      1. *This money was given in the form of a check to the directors and was used in any method for the musical. Directors know best where money was needed.*
        - a. *Thank you to Mr. B for his kind words and recognition in the playbill*
    - ii. Booster board hosted dinner for 4 days the week of musical.
      1. *Cost was roughly \$1,000; board handled arrangements, serving & cleanup.*
        - a. *They had pizza, taco bell, Braums, pinwheels, salad, chips & drinks*
    - iii. Boosters donated 2 new monitors to Vocal Arts in time for the musical to use.
    - iv. Boosters sold concessions and roses at the 3 performances – totals given in report above
      1. *Big THANK YOU! To ALL the parents & students that came & helped at these*
  - B. Recent Booster fundraisers
    - i. Cards on Broadway MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup> - Concessions & Roses – Scott gave report above
      - a. *Kids voted to have us do this again. It was a success.*
      - b. *People really appreciated the roses. We had several thank us because they said they either forget to get them or it saves them time coming from work.*
  - C. Budgeting for upcoming expenses
    - i. Budgeting correctly for the end of the year was discussed at the last meeting. Boosters looks to be in good shape to end the school year with the required \$1,500 min. to cover start-up cost of the next year. (HOCO Dance)
      1. *Bingo suggested for next year*
  - D. Mrs. Shilling had some request for 6<sup>th</sup> grade and Middle School
    - i. 6<sup>th</sup> grade pizza/ drinks for March 12<sup>th</sup>

1. *Boosters purchased pizza and paid for drinks. A thank you to the people who picked these up & Ms. Shilling who also picked up drinks.*
- ii. Frontier City Trip for MS students
  1. *Mrs. Shilling request drinks and snacks for the upcoming MS Frontier City trip.*
    - a. *She has 65-75 kids attending the trip*
    - b. *We've purchased drinks & snacks to send with them on the bus. -we have them tonight*
  2. *Mrs. Shilling requested boosters pay for gas cost for SWADCA.*
    - a. *Meeting moved into executive session after this line item*
      - i. **Results of executive session – boosters will reimburse gas expenses from receipts after the trip**

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Elections for 2026-2027 Board –Current Board is Retiring

( this line item moved to discuss 1<sup>st</sup> so votes could be counted during meeting. Was line item D on agenda)

- i. Our current board has served 3 terms. They are graduating out or have seniors next year and would like to retire and enjoy their kid's last year. With that, it's been an honor for all of us to help the program over the last 3 years, and we each feel ready to pass the torch into new hands.
- ii. All board positions are open for vote
  1. *We have had online nominations to create a voluntary list of interest to go to a nomination committee per our bylaws.*
- iii. Each person running was introduced and given chance to speak and introduce themselves and what they have to offer.
- iv. Paper ballots were passed out and everyone was able to anonymously vote.

#### B. Boosters purchased 2 new monitors for the Vocal Arts Program

- i. 2 new speakers were purchased for kids to be able to hear themselves on stage, \$2,000
  1. *After Cards on Broadway, it was brought to attention that since the last speaker broke, the kids have not been able to hear themselves when performing*
  2. *We were able to get the speakers in time to be used during the musical*
  3. *These monitors are something that ALL kids from ALL classes will benefit from.*

#### C. Banquet

- i. To handle the growth of the program the banquet had was decided in the last meeting to be split into 2 events by grade. It was felt that splitting the grades into multiple events took away from the events meaning. With the directors approval, the board has decided to keep the event as one with all grades together and manage the growth of the program by moving it to a new location this year.
- ii. May 14<sup>th</sup> will still hold as the date
- iii. New location is: The Warehouse at West Main in Collinsville.

- iv. Seating is Limited so Tickets will be **REQUIRED** and will be pre-sale only. There will be **NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR**
  - 1. *Sales will be tired*
    - a. *HS sales: 4/27-5/8*
    - b. *MS & Wilson sales: 5/1-5/8*
- v. Tickets will cost \$15/ guest \$10/student (this is same as last year)
  - 1. *Vocal Arts HS seniors & directors are free*
  - 2. *We need a few volunteers! Anyone who signs up & volunteers will receive a free ticket in appreciation. **\*\*Signup during your ticket purchase.\*\****
    - a. *Each volunteer receives free entry*
      - i. *Volunteer time is 5:15pm – 10pm. Includes setup, serving food (if needed) and clean up after event. You will NOT have to work during the ceremony*
  - 3. *This event is NOT a fundraiser Boosters is covering half the banquet cost*
- vi. Time: door opens 6:30pm Dinner will be served upon entry, Ceremony starts 7:00pm
  - 1. *Tix are now on sale. Are being sold through the booster website. Directors will not need to handle any sales or balance payment receipts this way.*

**D. End of year wrap up**

- i. HOCO for next year
  - 1. *Current Booster board will fill out request forms to have HOCO next year. Exact date of dance will depend on when the football schedule is release.*
    - a. *Paper work goes to school board & Art*
    - b. *This will allow new board to be setup for first fundraiser of next year*
  - 2. *This is the boosters' highest profit fundraiser. It funds majority of the year. The previous board worked hard to get this event and choir does NOT want to lose this opportunity. Plus, the HS kids love the event.*

**E. New Board – Term starts July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

- 1. *President*
  - a. *Current: Ben Vassmer      New: Justin McGrew*
- 2. *Vice President*
  - a. *Current: Melinda Clary      New: Jennifer Wheeler*
- 3. *Treasure*
  - a. *Current: Susan Scott      New: Jenn Johnson*
- 4. *Secretary*
  - a. *Current: Lisa Vassemr      New: Krista Nissen*

**4. OPEN FLOOR**

**A. Mr. B – Kidnapping will happen again this year. Details will come later**

**5. ADJOURNMENT 6:22PM MOTION- MCGREW, 2<sup>ND</sup> JOLY**

**This is the last meeting of the 2025-2026 year.**

A BIG thank you to everyone for a great year in boosters. This year has been one of our most successful years. This is only possible due to the hard work and dedication of our parents who volunteer their time. It's been great serving the program this year and it's thanks to you!

**Attendance 4/27**

- Ben Vassmer
- Lisa Vassmer
- Jenn Johnson
- DeAnn Wood
- Justin McGrew
- Lacy McGrew
- Melinda Clary
- Jana Shilling
- Tiffany Joly
- Jada Joly
- Jimmy Shilling
- Susan Scott
- Karli Lyles
- Ben Davis
- Krista Nissen
- Jennifer Wheeler
- Micah Davis
- Jackie Marte
- Micheal Broyles

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Mon. Apr 27 @ 6pm	Last Booster Meeting this school year
May 4 <sup>th</sup>	MS Choir – Spring Concert
May 11 <sup>th</sup>	HS Choir – Spring Concert
Thurs. May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Banquet
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	Graduation
Aug. TBA	next booster meeting