GRMPA Monthly Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

GRHS Chorus Room

President Joan Guiardnello called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM

President's Report

- Noted that the Winter Concert was a great success.
- Thursday June 1st (as per GRMPA calendar) concert will feature Band and Chorus in combined performance
- Reported on Executive Committee held last month
 - Suggested using surplus marching band collected funds to be put toward Allentown bus expense.
 - Ann Leccese made a motion for approval and was seconded by Dave Cohen, all were in favor
 - Anke has taken on reviewing GRMPA By-laws
- Reported the high school recently paid \$400 for repairs to piano in chorus room and also noted that piano in RAS auditorium needs major repairs. Charlie Potters is looking into the situation.
- Would like to find storage for corner signs

Musical Director's Remarks

- Noted that he has parsed out instrumental parts from the score for the spring musical, The Adams Family, and has recruited several HS musicians to participate in the pit.
- Updated the group on adding Film Music and Musical Theatre History courses into the curriculum

Chorus

- Laura Van Bloem announced the Glen Ridge Chorus has joined the ACA and will be participating in a competition at Rutgers in May
- Joan has drafted a new chorus page for GRMPA website

Cabaret Night - OCI

- Kris Ramanathan reported tickets are for sale on GRMPA site. He noted we would be using new ticketing system. OCI has 65-seat capacity and tickets will be available at the door
- Jonathan Duckett did a site check at OCI. They have drum kit and bass amp but we will need monitors and guitar amps. He will be bringing microphones
- Dr. Gage reported 7 acts have already signed up

- Kris Wehr handed out posters and noted she has already posted some in the high school
- Lisa Lauterbach requested that sign ups be closed on the Wednesday before the show

Fruit Sale

- Ann Leccese reported fruit would be arriving Friday, March 3.
- Delivery will be Saturday March 4 along with Pancake Breakfast ticket sales
- Ann received a few fruit sales from Montclair

Southside Quartet Fundraiser

• Steve Deluca announced the Southside Quartet fundraiser will be March 31 @ 7PM at the Glen Ridge Train Station

GRMPA Scholarship

- Joan noted that after some research the name will be changed to GRMPA Scholarship
- Trisha Turiano is responsible for submitting to Erin Follet ASAP

Coffee House

- Dr. Gage announced the date has been moved to March 22 due to conflicts
- Joan asked Dr. Gage if there was any place to post corner sign on school property and he responded that was not possible due to limited space
- Kris Wehr said she was happy to help out at coffee house but prefers not to be the chair.

100th Monkey Foundation Fundraiser

• Trisha Turiano reported that the 100th Monkey Foundation will be holding a benefit concert on Saturday, March 25th at Tierney's and proceeds will be split between GRMPA, Bloomfield Music Parents and Montclair's Immaculate Music Program. Tickets are for sale at the door for \$10

Pancake Breakfast

- Lisa Lauterbach has placed order for pancake breakfast and noted due to surplus inventory the order is smaller than past orders
- It was decided to leave ticket price at \$5. The majority agreed to charge \$7 at the door.

- Lisa requested help from Kris R with Google document for volunteer sign ups
- She will be going into class to offer raffle tickets to help drive participation and sales

Piano Maintenance

- Mr. Pavliv has addressed the issue with the administration
- Mr. Hayden is looking into a locking system for RAS piano
- Kris Ramanathan and Sharon Harms suggested having a note sent to the Principals of both the high school and RAS about the situation.
 - Laura Van Bloem suggested CCing the BOE
- Steve Deluca noted that maintenance is typically school's responsibility
- Dr. Gage remarked that there is not a designated person in charge of the RAS piano.
- Joan would like to come up with a policy regarding RAS piano, after discussion by the group it was agreed that a policy was not needed

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40PM

Next GRMPA meeting - Wednesday March 1st 7:15 PM

Submitted by Trisha Turiano, Vice President GRMPA