

FOM MONTHLY MEETING
November 1, 2007

I. Call to Order: President Bob Hedrick called the meeting to order at 7:10p.m.

II. Secretary's Report: The minutes were accepted with corrections.

III. Treasurer's Report: The Financial report was accepted as presented.

IV. Old Business:

Volunteers: Dianne McDonald thanked all the parent volunteers for once again helping out with the events and fund-raisers. The volunteers needed at this time are Parade Chaperones, and Holiday Concert help. Dianne asked for people to seek her out after the meeting.

Band Trip: Chris Landry. Chris encouraged people to get their money in; reminding parents that the next payment is Nov 19th.

Band/Chorus Apparel: Michelle Champion was not at the meeting. Bob let everyone know that orders are in and Michelle will be contacting people. Bob reminded people that Nov. 5th will be the BIG Christmas order.

Public Relations: No report. Fred Giuffrida was not at the meeting.

Cabaret: Don & Deb Ouellette. No news at this time.

Newsletter: Karen Gilbert & Georgia Broussard. Should be posted on the website, and discussion of sending it out via e-mail or not.
Website: No report.

Band/Chorus: Upcoming events: 11/20 = Tri E Try outs, and 12/2 = Holistic Fair.

Chorus Trip: 2/1 - 2/2, Chris Landry reported that Chorus is still waiting School Board approval.

Scholarship: Cheryl Cerato & Lisa Condo. Cheryl reported that she is waiting to hear back from Papa Ginos regarding 11/14th or 15th.

Chili Fiesta: Scott Wilson. No Report.

Craft Fair Wrap-up: Lizette Estrada was not at the meeting. Dianne McDonald reported that the overall turnout was good, and is continuing to make contact with raffle winners at this time.

V. New Business:

Recognition of Jazz All-State members: Kudos to Kyle Lambert=Trumpet; Maria Mayer=Soprano; and, Tony Clement=Tenor, who recently competed for a spot in the NH Jazz All-State ensembles.

Scrip Fund-raiser: Cheryl Cerato gave a detailed explanation of this new gift certificate fund-raiser. Cheryl discussed the benefits of Scrip and explained how it allows families to purchase gift certificates at face value (gift certificates to restaurants, clothing and grocery stores, gas stations, movie rental stores, cinemas, etc.) FOM will receive a percentage ranging from 3% to 17% (depending on each company) for each certificate bought. Families were asked to look at the order form and consider using gift certificates for any businesses they regularly patronize. Information can be found on the website as well.

FOM Sponsorship Program: Lorraine Falcone gave a brief explanation of this new fund-raiser. A committee has been formed and is looking for additional members, as well as looking into local businesses to sponsor the following: Band camp tee-shirt sponsor, water sponsor, a pizza sponsor. A strategic plan is needed for the future direction of the Friends of Music Sponsorship Program. Lorraine asked for interested parties to see her after the meeting.

VI. Other Business:

Upcoming Fund-raisers:

Little Ceasers Pizza: Fund-raiser ends 11/2; Co-Coordinator, Gerry Leclerc & Betsy Levesque

Leaf Raking: Coordinator, Allyson Jutras. Allyson is in need for adult chaperones; 2 adults for each site. Yards will be raked rain or shine. FOM will be raking through Dec. 9th. Bring tarps, gloves & rakes. If people haven't signed up and want to participate now, just remember to let the Adult Chaperone in charge know that you are there so you will get credit. *Don't forget, Parents that attend and work will earn money towards their student's trip scholarship fund.

Cash-O-La-night: Papa Gino's, date to be determined.

www.Goodsearch.com: A year round fund-raiser.

Upcoming Events:

Holiday Tree Lighting: 11/23

Derry Holiday Parade: 11/24

Salem Holiday Parade: 11/25

Official Band Picture: 11/25 @ 10:30am

Holistic Fair: 11/2/07 10am to 4pm at the Holiday Inn, Nashua NH

B Natural's: Hudson Baptist Church 12/4 @ 7pm

Holiday Concert: 12/13 @ 7pm.

VII. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 8:11p.m. The next FOM Meeting is 12/6/07 at 7pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

CherylAnn Cerato
Secretary