



St. Francis Choir Boosters Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2017 - 6:00 PM
Athletics/Activities Conference Room – A112

Attendance

Approve Minutes from 03-13-17

Treasurer's Report – We are doing well. Back checks are all cashed. Concert gate - \$3,800 for the show choir concert.

Items for Discussion:

1. New Communication Plan/Policy – Effective immediately, all communications representing the St. Francis Choir Booster organization should be submitted to sfchoirbooster@gmail.com for consideration and review. Communications must be accurate, timely, and align with our organizational Mission Statement. This change will encompass all forms of communication including web content, email, photography, social media, verbal and/or written presentations.
2. Officer/Board Member Roles and Committees – LuAnn and Paul have been instrumental in coordinating the member roles and committees. These were created to create continuity, to streamline the rule we have in speaking about the organization. Discussion on structuring the different committees. Some people will be on multiple committees. The question was asked if there is any way to give some incentives for someone to get involved (i.e., instead of \$550, they would pay \$450 if they would participate and be involved). Other show choirs have people that must sign a contract that they will work one shift at the event. Madrigals is a school choir/event, and therefore it is harder to require parents to do or pay anything. We will hold Board Officer Elections at the May 1st meeting. There was discussion about succession planning in the officer positions, particularly in the Treasurer position.
3. Show Choir Trips - next year the Show Choir trips will be within an approximate 4-hour radius. Totino and Hastings will be on the schedule. Ankeny is now on Totino weekend, so that competition is out.
4. Scott and Char Pendergrass in attendance – Scott was very enthusiastic about doing some different fundraiser ideas – salt, lawn care, meat raffles, fish fry, alumni club.
5. Mission Statement – Discussion regarding revisions to the Mission Statement as created. Luke had recommendation for combining #2 and #3 to “Support faculty requests and encourage growth in the St. Francis High School Choral Music program to further enrich students’ vocal abilities and musicianship skills.” Luke motioned to approve core values as revised, second by Char Scott.

6. Banquet Venue Recommendation – The group that checked out venues for the Choir Banquet are recommending The Refuge. The Refuge will hold 250 people comfortably, or could hold 300 with splitting group. Date set for Monday, May 22 starting with Social Hour at 6:15, dinner at 6:45, awards at 7:30. Ticket costs will be \$20 each for parents, and \$10 per student.
7. Pizza Ranch Fundraiser wrap-up – ended up earning \$935.00. The workers worked hard; adult volunteers were very impressed with the kids. We can now register for another date for next year; however, it should not be during Show Choir season. There was a need for additional volunteers, as it was very busy at times. All volunteers are required to go through a 1-hour training. The student volunteers were too busy to sing; next year should have singers walk around and sign, not the volunteers.
8. David Banks was here for post season concert and took a lot of photos during show. Idea was brought up to bring them in at beginning of the year for group and individual photos.
9. Show Choir fees will probably go up next year – right now Waconia charges \$2,000, and Riverside is \$1,300.
10. Courier article coming out next month.
11. Concert date – May 25th at 6:00 and 8:00. Tickets on sale May 11th.