

La Cañada High School Music Parents Association
Association Meeting
April 11, 2017

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Presidents Monica Bachner and Tom Reynolds at 7:33 p.m.

Taimur Ali and his family provided delicious dinner to show appreciation for MPA's support this year. Thank you!
- II. **Approval of Minutes:** Elizabeth Bohannon moved to approve the March 8, 2017 minutes; Sarah Nagel seconded. The motion passed.
- III. **Financial Report:** Mikaho Hara reported that the net profit from the Dinner Show is \$38,000, which is \$4,000 more than last year. One of the contributing factors was that we had more family sponsorships this year. Club LC ticket sale is only at about 100 as of yesterday. We could fit 100 more people in the venue. The checking account is in good standing with a balance of \$117,242.52 as of 4/10/2017. Mikaho is waiting for the bill from LCUSD for the staff. There was a discussion about LCUSD and MPA working together to pay for staff. MPA agreed that we would continue our financial support for staffing. Mikaho asked that if anyone has additions to the budget for next year, she would like to know about it by next week. Nadia Ali made a motion to approve the budget, Elizabeth Bohannon seconded, and the budget was approved.
- IV. **Instructor's Reports:** Jennifer Munday reported that she is working on the Orchestra Winter Retreat for next year. She reserved the same camp as this year for January 19th – 21st. She asked to put the same amount in the budget for next year. Orchestra had a chamber music concert in the choir room, and the students did a wonderful performance.
- V. **Orchestra:** Cecilia Cheng reported by email. Orchestra is getting ready for the Concerto Concert, and there was a planning meeting at 6:00 p.m. tonight. Elizabeth Bohannon suggested putting the Winter Retreat on the LCUSD calendar to avoid conflicts.
- VI. **Drum Line:** No new news.
- VII. **Color Guard:** Sophia Hsu reported that competitions are coming up on 4/15 and 4/22. Everyone is doing a great job.
- VIII. **Band:** No new news.
- IX. **7/8 Band & Orchestra:** No new news.
- X. **Communications:** No new news.
- XI. **Gift Card Program:** Sarah Nagel reported that the last 2 orders for this year are on 4/14 and 5/19.

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- XII. Special Events:** Nadia Ali reported that the Dinner Show Committee had a wrap-up meeting last week. Ticket sales were down from last year, but family sponsorships were up. She said that the community outreach contributed to the increase in family sponsorships. Raffle ticket sale did not do as well due to rain and conflicts with Girl Scout Cookie sales. Nadia Ali and Michelle Lynskey will co-chair the Dinner Show again next year.
- XIII. Club LC:** Club LC will be held on 4/14 at La Canada Presbyterian Church.
- XIV. Fundraising:** Sarah Nagel reported that she hosted a Fundraising Committee Meeting on 3/22 to brainstorm ideas. Some great ideas were proposed at the meeting. See Sarah's minutes from the meeting (attachment #1). Next restaurant fundraiser will be at The Habit on 5/3. Jennifer Munday suggested an idea to auction off a conductor, where a conductor would teach someone to conduct at one of the performances.
- XV. 2017-18 Leadership:** Monica Bachner reported that we have names for many of the open positions for next year's leadership (attachment #2). The slate will be voted on at the next meeting.
- XVI. Upcoming Events:** April 14th – Club LC; April 15th – Color Guard Competition, Drumline SCPA Finals; April 20th-23rd – Musical 'Guys and Dolls'; April 22nd – Color Guard WGASC Championships; May 5th – Orchestra Concerto Concert; May 10th – Pops Concert; May 16th – Instrumental Music Awards Night
- XVII. Open Forum:** Mikaho Hara asked about the truck wrap. Jason Stone is still waiting for the truck wrap design from Shelly Lotter, and he will contact her. Jason Stone is looking into purchasing some brass instruments which is estimated at about \$12,000. The city will provide \$10,000, and Jason asked if MPA would pay \$2,000. Jason will try to sell extra instruments to help with the cost. Sarah and Bill Nagel are donating their piano, which is so much better than the one we have now. A huge thank-you to the Nagels!
- XVIII. Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned by President Monica Bachner at 8:26 p.m. Next meeting is on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, during the Instrumental Music Awards Night.

After adjournment, Marcus Urata presented his Eagle Scout project, which is to refurbish the lockers in the Instrumental Music area. This project, which will be done over the summer, will include painting inside and out, and fixing hinges and handles. His cost estimate is \$256 for materials. He will do fundraising first and will make a request to the MPA if additional funds are needed.

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Attachment #1

MPA Fundraising Committee Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2017, 7pm

Attendees: Monica Bachner, Sheila Johnson, Yvonne Lim, Mark Urata, Mikaho Hara, Patricia Quon, Bill Nagel, and Sarah Nagel

Additional committee members not in attendance:

Sheryl Madonna <sherylmadonna@charter.net>

Brenda Dietlan <Syogamom8@gmail.com>

Yuan Tian-Guan <yooyootian@yahoo.com>

Ceci Nava

The following fundraising ideas were brainstormed/proposed:

- Bring back the poinsettia sales. Find a wholesaler. Target businesses (realtors, medical offices, etc.) who might place large orders, in addition to MPA family orders. Students will receive 50% of the profit for their individual accounts, with the other half going to the general MPA account.
- Continue with the Booster raffle ticket sales for the fall 2017 event. Ask each band member to sell 5 tickets (\$20 per ticket=\$100 per student. \$50 will go to MPA and \$50 to individual student accounts) instead of only 2 as requested for the February 2017 event. (With 50% participation, \$2800 was raised).
- Continue to schedule and participate in various restaurant nights in La Canada via the LCHS Boosters. Enlist the help of the band/orchestra leadership to encourage participation in this program.
- Develop a corporate sponsorship program in which a monetary donation (different levels of sponsorship) will allow business to receive recognition as sponsors via signage at games/performances, in event programs, on banners carried during parades (LA County Fair, Fiesta Days, Montrose Christmas parade, Dublin St. Patrick's Day parade.) Perhaps have one of the perks of sponsorship be recognition at the halftime field show i.e. "Tonight's Performance is sponsored by USC-VHH". Ask all MPA parents to approach one or two local businesses to come aboard as sponsors. (Need to find out if approval for such a program is needed from school).
- Possible "March-a-thon". Students get sponsors.
- MPA parent Michelle Wilcox was unable to attend the meeting but sent a link regarding a fundraising opportunity: <http://school.inspire.world/>

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Attachment #2

5/16/17

**LCHS Music Parents Association
 2017-18 Slate**

OFFICERS

Position Title	Name
President	Mark Urata
CFO	Cliff Guan
Secretary	Elizabeth Bohannon
VP - Communication*	Michele Wilcox
VP - Fundraising**	Sarah Nagel
VP - Special Events	Nadia Ali
VP - Uniforms	Yuan Tian

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Position Title	Name
Accounts Receivable Treasurer	Patricia Quon
Field Show Competition Coordinator	Sheryl Madonna
Database Coordinator	Jason Northrop
Color Guard Rep	Kelly Leyva
Drumline Rep	Julie Daniels
Home Football Game Band Coordinator	Pierre & Karla Echternacht
Band Instrument Rental Rep	Yvonne Lim
Orchestra Instrument Rental Rep	Yvonne Lim
Band Truck Driver	Robert Torres
Marching Band & Concert Wear Rep*	(OPEN)
Orchestra Rep	Cecilia Cheng, Yvonne Lim
Orchestra Concert Wear	Cecilia Cheng
Jazz Band Rep	(OPEN)
Gift Card Coordinator	Sarah Nagel
7/8 Band & Orchestra Rep	(OPEN)

* positions assisted by Sandy Miller

** Nadia Ali & Michelle Lynskey - Dinner Show Chairs