**Minutes for OCRA General Meeting**

**April 12, 2022**

Called to order at 7:05pm

**Director’s Report:**

1. “Anastasia” was great!
2. “Hairspray” at The Fox was a great experience. The OTHS Alumni who performed in the show came to visit all the choirs at school for a Q & A session.
3. Chamber Choir participated in a contest in Murphysboro on 4/8. Every group earned a score of 1 and the Chamber Choir received “Best of Day” recognition.
4. Music for All on 4/9 went well and was a good experience for the students. All choirs sang and worked with local choir directors.
5. Spring Concert will be 5/3 at 7pm at Milburn. Dress rehearsal will be held 5/2 at 6pm. Parent volunteers will be needed to pass out programs and take video/photos during the concert.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

1. Current balance-$10,498.66
2. Available balance-$4,503.36
3. Estimated end of the year balance-$7,900

**Fundraiser Report:**

1. Dine To Donate with Papa Johns will be 4/21-4/24. Using the code OCRA will get 20% off all orders. Papa Johns will give OCRA 20% of all sales.
2. Murder Mystery Dinner (4/30)
* We still need a lot of help with props, table decorations, etc. A work night is scheduled at Jennie’s house on 4/20 at 7pm.
* Student servers are also needed for the event. If there aren’t enough volunteers, we will switch to a buffet serving line for the meal.
* So far 61 tickets have been sold. Sales close 4/15.
* Heidi will get sound equipment through the AV department, and she will create a pirate themed playlist for the event.

**Madrigals Report:**

1. Costume Blitz scheduled for June 14 & 15 at 10am at Smiley.

**Old Business:**

1. Bylaws and Name Change-2013 was the last update of Bylaws. 2018 revisions were made, but the draft was never finalized. 2022 revisions/updates were made and emailed to the OCRA membership 10 days prior to the general meeting. A name change has also been proposed from the current name O’Fallon Choral Risers Association (OCRA) to OTHS Choir Boosters. Discussion and vote held. Both Bylaw updates and organization name change…..PASSED.
2. Proposed 2022-2023 Budget-Discussion and vote held. Vote….PASSED. Budget accepted.
3. Scholarships
* Two scholarships will be granted.
* All applications are due to Heidi by April 26.
* A Scholarship Committee is being formed to include the Vice President of OCRA, Choir Director, an OTHS Administrator and two Alumni choir parents.
* Heidi will speak to Krissy Nordin about how the scholarships were reviewed and scored in the past.
1. Banquet
* May 5 from 5:30-8:00 at Milburn Cafeteria
* Tickets will be $10 each to include a catered dinner (pasta, salad, bread) from Flamentco’s. Freshman and sophomores will be asked to bring desserts to share. Juniors will be asked to bring drinks to share. Ticket order forms will be sent home with students. Order forms and monies will be collected by Heidi.
* Dress will be business casual.
* Event will include dinner, senior performances, senior recognition, awards, and scholarship announcements.
* A Sign-Up Genius will be sent for volunteers to help with set up, tear down, ticket collecting and photography.

**New Business:**

1. Nominations and Vote for open 2022-2023 OCRA Board member positions
* Treasurer: Stacey Young
* Fundraising Chair: Debra Santos
* Secretary: still vacant and accepting nominations

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Neighbors