

.Severna Park Drama Boosters Board Meeting Minutes 7/29/2011

Present: Tracey Mooney, Donna Guarino, Angela Germanos, Diane Heath, Pat Magness

The Board convened for a special summer session to plan the upcoming school year.

The following items were discussed and agreed to by the Board.

We will be looking for partners for several committee chairs who have senior students and will be retiring after long service to Drama. It is our hope for them to mentor underclass parents so the following year is seamless.

Booster Ad sales will begin right away with a deadline of October 15th to place ads. Alice Judd agreed to chair this again. Forms for advertising will be distributed at our first booster meeting. Repeat advertisers will be contacted.

Everyone is pleased with the new design of the website that Amy did. We are going to ask to set up a separate FORMS tab for all forms, since our public is accustomed to looking there.

Tracey will order clear imprinted water bottles in late Sept/early Oct for the distribution to all participants in this year's productions. We will not be allowing cases of water bottles, in the interest of the environment and in our effort to curtail outside beverages coming into school. Each participant will be given a bottle as part of cast fees.

Our Resident Agent form needs to be changed since Julie and Ellen have retired. We agreed to make Diane Heath and Pat Magness Resident Agents for the purpose of longevity.

Season Passes will remain at \$35 for the pass. Ticket Prices were set at Fiddler \$12, One Acts \$5, Rock and Roll \$13, Our Town \$10. As part of preplanning for RnR we agreed that Faculty will be limited to ordering 10 tickets in the second round of ticket ordering when Faculty are given preference before the public.

Drama Camp was reported to have gone well. Angie suggested that we split up the campers in the future for craft time. Diane said we should have a more defined daily theme and the craft can go with the theme if we have it planned earlier. All expenses are being paid. Diane still has to find out how much we owe the school for custodians.

Broadway Cares will be on Friday 9/30 and we agreed to have it benefit The Cisco Center, a local school for special needs children who lost their school to fire and are still rebuilding. We would like to invite our campers back to perform a number. This is an opportunity for all students to perform, non thespians as well. The numbers should have some Broadway Show connection and could be singing, dancing or acting. This is to be a Thespian run event.

There will be a field trip to Frostburg University on Saturday 10/1 to see their production of Our Town. They have offered to give us a tour of their theater and campus. Boosters will pay for the bus for the students. The trip will be first offered to Thespians, then Theater Arts students. We will need roughly 10 chaperones.

We are committed to the Cappies program. Lead Critic will be Michelle Alfini. We are looking for a Parent Volunteer for leadership this year as well. Other applicants for the 9 person team will apply in Sept and be reviewed by Angie, Michelle and Cristina Berron who is a returning critic.

We are planning to have Charlie Kerrigan continue to do programs if he is still willing. Diane is going to discuss with him doing the Fall Musical and Rock and Roll. She will report back at the August meeting.

We discussed the details for Fiddler on the Roof. Angie is planning to work with Jenn Zahirsky for sets. Kathy Gabrielle is Musical Director. There is a plan to keep the size of the cast to 40. Cristina Berron is already working on costumes and is planning to borrow from Rockbridge Academy. We have access to set pieces as well from Pasadena Theater Company. Solon Snider will direct the Student Orchestra. Jenny Judd and Jesse Imhof will be Student Choreographers. The Cappies Show will be on closing Sunday matinee. Cast Party will be Saturday night. Chaperones will have to run the TSA inspection of all belongings coming into the building during shows and tech week. We discussed potentially assigning the Concessions to another group to minimize our efforts during shows. This is still open for discussions.

Angie is planning an Improv Fest on October 21 (school is closed this day). She is awaiting approval from Mr. Bathras. Boosters would pay for Improv instructors for the county wide event. This is a planned enrichment activity.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracey Mooney,
President