

Woodson Choral Boosters

August Meeting Minutes

August 28, 2023

Meeting Opened by Michelle Spratt, President

- Welcome all to our August Choral Booster meeting!
- Meeting opened upon motion by Lisa S. and seconded by Ginny H.
- Meeting started at 7:04PM.

Open Positions

- Recently filled - communications, assistant DOB, assistant hospitality (Yeah!! Thank you!!)
- Still looking for:
 - Assistant treasurer - pretty close, hopefully
 - Fundraising chair - pretty close, hopefully
 - Tag day chair - time is of the essence! - if not, Michelle will oversee and we will divide and conquer
 - Community outreach - help work with Lance to get the chorus out in the community
 - Grant preparation - need to get Fine Arts a copier closer than ¼ mile away
 - Auditor Needed - anyone know anyone?
 - Singing Telegram logistics

Notable Dates

- 8/30: Deadline for Senior Honors Choir Application
- 9/5 & 9/11: Uniform Fitting
- 9/20: Booster Meeting - all about tag day!
- 9/22: Woodson Pyramid sings the National Anthem
- 9/28 - 9/30: Senior Honors Choir audition window
- 10/1 - 10/5: Senior Honors choir audition window (con't)
- 10/14: Tag Day

- 10/23: Pyramid Concert Rehearsal
- 10/24: Pyramid Concert - will likely need parent volunteers to help organize the chaos

Optional Opportunities

- Senior Honors Choir - applications due this week (8/30)
- Capital Force Youth Chorus: New Youth Chorus. For registration information, please contact Michelle. **Sunday, 9/10 from 1 - 4:30 pm.** Clarendon Presbyterian Church. 1308 North Irving Street, Arlington, VA (Not FCPS sponsored)

Directors' Update

Amy Moir

- Southern Region Honors Chorus - great opportunity if students want to audition - does cost \$ - parents would have to go - look on their website

Lance Howard - Chorus Presiden

Raise Right - Summer Manos

- Updated flier
- Way for families to raise \$ for kid's spring chorus trip
 - Buy gift cards or egift cards and % goes to \$ offON
- All links are updated on Chorus website
- If you need to enroll, **FFEE23F81637** on RaiseRight.com
- Europe trip June 2025

Provisional Budget

Income

Fundraising

- Tag Day - last year we raised \$10K - so our goal is \$15K
- Sees Candy - looking to do online orders - goal \$2,000
- Restaurant Nights - Lance - get the word out to students
- Direct donations - maybe your company will match it

Break-Even Events

- Dessert on Broadway

- Spirit Wear

Expenses

- Overhead
- Program support

Changes to the Bylaws - David Spratt

- Plain language
- Consistency
- Conciseness
- Electronic voting
- Email of non-substantial business

Edits will be made & emailed out to the community 30 days before the DOB Booster meeting so we could vote at the DOB Booster planning meeting.

Uniforms

Options:

1. Formal dress
 - a. Bella Voce is bringing back the double pearl strand option.
2. Gender neutral top and pants
 - a. This year will have the official gender neutral pants as an option.
3. Tuxedo

Steps to uniform process:

1. Have student fill out [this link](#) or form on Schoology to say what they need
2. Pay for items you are renting or buying on MSB
3. Have student sign up for fitting apt in chorus room (9/5 or 9/11 - 6:30-8:30pm)
4. Complete [fitting information form](#) prior to fitting apt.

Tag Day

- At Mantua Pool on Oct. 14
- Goal - \$15K (last year \$10K)
- Volunteers - organizing, driving, set up, cash counting, clean-up
- Route designation - determine routes for assigned groups, assign Sunday route for flier drop off
- Hospitality - pizza party, set up, clean up
- Sunday - flier drop for kids who couldn't go on Saturday

Spirit Wear

- Every new student gets woodson Chorus t-shirt & sweatshirt
- Still available from last year - tumblers,
- New this year - tye dye, hoodies, chorus pants
 - Please click [here to order shirts/sweatshirts](#) and follow this [link for new pj pants](#).
 - Due Sept. 29

Wayne Hudders motioned to end the meeting at 7:54pm and Angie VonAncken 2nd it.

Next Booster Meeting - Wednesday, Sept. 20 7pm