Wilmington Strings Orchestra Parent Group Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2022

Attendees

Leica Turner, Kate Mitchell, Jennifer Perkins, Jennifer Crane, Catherine Kane, Barbara Balter, Julie Hall, Caitlin Wienstein, Kassiani Maroney

Officers

- Leica Turner-President
- Kate Mitchell-Vice President
- Jennifer Crane-Secretary
- Catherine Kane-Marketing
- Open Position-Treasurer

Mrs. Perkins Update

- We have approximately 40 high school students, approximately 13 seniors, and lower grades TBD
- Performances:
 - Strings Grades 7-12 12/12 @ 7pm WHS
 - Strings Grades 5-6 12/20 @ 7pm WMS
 - Band Concert Grades 7-12 12/8
 - o Chorus Grades 6-12 12/6
 - Band Concert Grades 5-6 12/15
 - Snow date for all holiday performances is 12/22
 - Band Grades 4-12 5/2
 - Strings Grades 4-5 5/30 Outdoor performance @6:30 (Town Common Gazebo Arch of Bows)
 - Strings Orchestra Grades 6-12 5/4 @7pm WHS
 - Chamber music performance Grades 9-12 WHS @6:30
- Field trips:
 - At this time BSO has not released any dates for performances- lower grades performance field trip possible when dates released
 - Possible upper grade field trip to rehearse with BSO if dates are released
- Activities:
 - Chamber music concert at WHS cafeteria/courtyard with casual refreshments
 - o Festival of Tree possible performance
 - Festival of Trees donations (Theme to be decided at October meeting)
 - State House Visit (still not accepting dates) table until October
 - Parent night out-upperclassmen have sing along and read The Polar Express to young children in their pajamas

Fundraising

- Apparel- Barb Balter to take the lead (hoping to distribute items at holiday performance)
- Ornaments- using the same vendor (Leica to take the lead) -thinking of having the kids vote on a design this year

- Tremezzo or Ej's dine in or take-out (table until October meeting)
- Barnes and Nobles-we will not be doing this year
- Scholarship night- Rock and Roll bingo (Kate is checking with K of C for a March date)
- Possibly create banner entitled Friends and Family of Orchestra and charge to add names
- 50/50 raffle

Needs

- Block strap (used for cello plays to stand or walk with cello) approximately \$120 need 2-4 if possible
- Re-vamp scholarship application process

Treasurer's Report

• As of 8/31/22, bank balance is \$5,136.86

Next Meeting Dates

Keep the first Tuesday of the month at 7:30. Check availability for the library at WMS

- 10/4
- 11/1
- 12/6
- 1/3/23
- 2/7/23
- 3/7/23
- 4/4/23
- 5/2/23
- 6/6/23