

# Holy Redeemer Band Parent Association

MINUTES: October 20, 2014

## Attendees:

Anna Marie Ference, Valerie Collins, Marcus Wasnea, Candace Giasson, Lisa Coble, Heidi Steiner

**Call To Order:** 6:55 pm

**Introductions:** Around the room introductions were made for those in attendance.

There was a review of the last meeting minutes from September 16, 2014. Motion to approve: Anna Marie, Second: Val. All approved and carried.

## Treasurer's Report:

Anna Marie went through the account standings.

Overview: Account Balance September 1, 2014:	\$8800.99
Individual Students:	\$3130.13
Individual Student Funds to be transferred to general:	\$1010.30
General Band Account (after transfer) :	\$6681.16

After anticipated annual expenses the general band account is expected to be at an approximate balance of \$2807.00.

There was a question about where the rental fees for instruments go. Anna Marie explained that the rental fees go to the school for cleaning and repairing instruments.

Motion to approve the report: Val Collins. Second: Candace Giasson

**Nominations for Executive:** no interest in vacant president or secretary positions at this time.

Val asked Mr. Wasnea if the students were going to Jumpstart this year. He stated that he thinks that he would rather bring in individual players/instructors to play, inspire and work with the students. Anna Marie reminded him that there were funds available to support this in the general band account. We have \$1400 allocated to Jumpstart and \$550 meant for Buffet Royale for the students afterwards.

**Instructor's Report: (Marcus Wasnea)**

The grade 5 and 6 students have been learning to put together their instruments and are beginning to play a few notes together. The grade 7 and 8 students have been going through their "Standards of Excellence" books. Mr. Wasnea explained that it is remedial study and that most of the students are doing quite well.

The grade 7 and 8 students will likely play in the Christmas concert and some of the grade 5 and 6 students that are catching on more quickly may join them. Anna Marie mentioned that the parents will likely be expecting all of their children to play at the concert. She explained that in previous years the Junior High Bands and the Middle School bands played separately with the younger group playing very simple songs.

Tentative Christmas Concert date: December 11, 2014 (Since learned to be December 10, 2014).

**Fundraisers:**

Poinsettia sales need to be organized by this week. Order forms will need to go out next week so we can get the forms back Nov 5<sup>th</sup> (knowing some will be late) so we can order on Nov 17<sup>th</sup>. The decision was made to charge \$15 each like last year with the profits going into student accounts. The students going to New York will also sell poinsettias with the profit going to help pay for their trip. We will put a note on the school blog to let the remainder of the school know about the poinsettia sale so they too can purchase. The poinsettias should be delivered Monday, Nov 24<sup>th</sup> so they can be collected on Nov 25<sup>th</sup> and Nov 26<sup>th</sup> at parent teacher interviews.

The family entertainment baskets draw fundraiser was discussed. Each student is to bring 1 or 2 items to make 3 baskets. These baskets will be a mom, dad and family basket. Tickets will be sold at the parent teacher interview and at the Christmas concert. The draw will be at the evening Christmas concert.

The annual bake sale was very briefly mentioned. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

Val will look for email Mr. Wasnea a letter to give to the students with updates for the band parents. We will also put a copy of this letter on the school blog.

### **Other Business:**

Band blog: We will leave it as it is and post our minutes on the school website. Anna Marie stated that she asked at the last parent council meeting if this was OK. The decision was made that the minutes can go on the school website.

The suggestion was made that we number our band uniforms and that they stay at the school with the students only getting them during performances. A number will be made with a white or a silver sharper on both a vest and a tie.

A motion was made by Lisa to get uniforms and bowties to increase the numbers to 65 of each. Same seconded by Candace. All in favour and carried.

Mr. Wasnea suggested the possibly of there being a “Holy Redeemer Band” t-shirt with the idea that it could be used for informal performances and that it may be a good teambuilding idea. He will talk to Miss Smith and/or Mr. Stabile about the price of the t-shirts they had made for the running club. A club name will need more thought.

Next tentative meeting date: Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned: 8:25pm.

Minutes by Valerie Collins