

## Music Parents Support Group Minutes - Meeting September 7 2017

**1. Welcome and Introductions:** The new student co-heads, **Leah Cudmore and Sadie Graves**, were introduced.

**2. Minutes** from the July meeting were not circulated with the most recent updates, so will be circulated and approved at our next meeting.

**3. Student Update:**

- Friday, September 15 will be the first social, with sub lunch, need 4 volunteers 11:30-1:00 to help serve.
- Music Council meetings start Monday, grade reps and committee heads all in place.
- the co-heads will do a brief presentation at the Music Parents' Info Night, Sept 18.

**4. School update:**

- an information letter has been sent home with students, and a Remind will follow to correct the day of the Information Night (a Monday not a Thursday).
- **September events:**
  - September 27-29 - Vocal Retreat
  - September 28-29, EYS workshops for strings and winds. Students will pay a \$40.00 fee. Friday night concert \$10.00 ticket to cover costs in part. Intermission sale of water by MPSG.
  - The start to the school year has been positive, this is a time for building good relationships.

*New Canterbury Arts Coordinator: Derek Eyamie*

**5. Treasurer's Report:**

- Menaka introduced the new treasurers, Karen Lawford and David Leech.
- July and August financial statements were circulated before the meeting. There were no questions.
- \$5758.24 was transferred from Cadenza fundraising to the music department.
- Invoice received for dry-cleaning of concert attire.
- Overall 2016-2017 was a good year financially, with no NSF cheques!
- The incoming treasurers will be nominated and elected at the AGM part of the meeting September 18.
- There was a discussion about whether it might be more efficient to move to an annual budget, rather than voting on every expense over \$250.00. A preference to continue with the current practice was expressed, as most of these expenses arise during the year, and would be difficult to predict.

**6. MPSG email - to go out Saturday**

- **Invitation to September 18 meeting in the Auditorium**
- **Volunteers needed for September tasks:**
  - (1) Concert Attire:**
    - Dresses and tuxedos will be fitted Thurs September 14 and Friday September 15, with six volunteers needed for each of two sessions each day.
    - Volunteers for hemming/alterations will be needed from September 18.

- The first event will be Chamber, who need uniforms by September 23 (Police memorial).
  - All concert band attire will be needed by Awards Night October 19.
- (2) Choral Music:** James Caswell is also looking for volunteers to organize choral music
- (3) Sub Social September 15** – 4 parents, 11:30-1:00 pm

**MPSG Volunteer Positions** (with descriptions)

- apparel coordinators (2)
- volunteer coordinators (2)
- DVD production coordinator (1)
- silent auction coordinator (1)
- Cadenza fundraiser shadows (2)
- citrus coordinator (1)
- members at large (2)

**Reminder** about paying Arts Fees, which are voluntary but essential.

**7. September 18 meeting:**

- Powerpoint reviewed
- Ensure there is a way for parents to “sign in” to cover requirements for the AGM part of meeting
- Ensure there are at least 15 members (parents with students in the program) present for quorum

**Cadenza Fundraising:**

Upcoming events:      Coffeehouse  
    Intermission sales at Musical November 25

Meeting adjourned at 8:48.