Grove Orchestra Association

Meeting Minutes for Monday, April 4, 2022

Members in Attendance: Carolyn Berger, President

Megan York, Treasurer

Jennifer Malone, Secretary

Minutes approved for 2/28/22 by all

New Business:

Treasurer report: $1108.43 remaining balance, with no outstanding items

Solo and Ensemble Competition

Hosted at Grove Jr. High on April 6, 2002, for District 59 instrumental music students. Medals were already purchased for our program participants (17 students@$3 each). District 59 generously paid for the dinner for judges. Staff was on hand to help students tune their instruments and get ready for the evening. GOA covered the payment for our pianist, Tina Lawrenz ($150) since she came to help students on several occasions. Great turnout!

8th grade End of Year Celebration

We looked at Urban Air (Bloomingdale) and Main Event (Hoffman Estates), which both had comparable prices for an afterschool time slot. A minimum of 20 students was necessary to fulfill the contract obligations. After receiving the results of a parent survey, it was determined that we would need to do something during the school day. This option will allow for all the students to be together to celebrate their accomplishments. Since 8th grade meets during 5th period, the GOA will support a pizza and ice cream party during class time. Megan York was going to get pricing from local pizza places to review at our May 9th meeting. Potentially looking at the celebration taking place Thursday, May 19th.

5th grade Orchestra Students

The 5th grade orchestra will be rehearsing at Grove Jr. High after school on Tuesday, April 12th. They’ve only had their instruments since January and are well on their way to musical success!

May Concerts

We are back on track for our end of year concerts, with two performances on Wednesday, May 11th. The 5:30 concert will be for 6th and 7th grade. The 7:30 concert will be shared among 5th and 8th graders. DQ blizzards will be available for pick up after each concert as a pre-order sale. Flyers will go home with students. Tori Keane has volunteered to organize the DQ orders.

Our next meeting is Monday, May 9th at 6pm on Zoom. 5th grade parents will also be sent the Zoom link, to help encourage joining GOA next year.