**Orchestra Association Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, February 5, 2015**

Meeting started at 7:05 pm.

**Attendees:** Carolyn Berger, Tess Setchell, Susie Moellenkamp, Colleen Cloherty

**Treasurer’s Report:** Tess Setchell

The pizza party for the students was $70 over our original budget. Service was very good.

We need to send a thank you note to Mrs. Berger’s parents for their generous donation to the Orchestra Association. We made $102 from our concessions at the concert. We received $40 from McDonald’s, $50 from Jersey Mike’s and $150 from Little Caesar’s from our Dine-N-Share fund raisers.

**Mrs. Berger’s Report:**

The winter concert went very well. The audience loved Mr. Harrington’s reading of the Night before Christmas. For the May 20 concerts, sixth and seventh grade will perform together and fifth and eighth will perform together.

Mrs. Berger is working on the schedule for Music Palooza. We have 50 students participating; 25 fifth graders and 25 mentors. We may have up to 70 students total the day of the event. The students will have their snacks in the cafeteria with last year’s concert playing for the fifth graders to enjoy. Susie will get water coolers and ice. Colleen will shop for snacks. We’ll start at 4:30. Treat bags will be assembled by the students on Monday, February 23.

The Moxie Strings clinic will be open to parents. The clinic will be from 3:15 – 4:25 on Thursday, March 5.

The March 14 IGSMA Contest practices are going well. More information will be forthcoming. The students will meet at school for the group bus. The district will pay for the bus. The state tournament is in April.

The Solo and Ensemble Concert is at Friendship Jr. High on Thursday, April 9. The cost is $5 per student per event.

The Elgin Symphony Concert is Tuesday, April 14. Tickets are $7 each. The students will leave at 8:30 am and return at 11:15 am.

Mrs. Berger is ordering the eighth grade medals for the spring concert on Wednesday, May 20.

**New Business:**

Need to plan the eighth grade party. Possible ideas are Top Golf, bowling, Orbit Skating Rink, Gameworks.

Need to discuss grant request from Grove PTO next year.

Need to discuss the conference in Peoria for next year’s eighth graders.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 31.