C.A.T.S. Wilmington High School Choral and Theatre Support Meeting Minutes for Monday, Oct. 6, 2014

1. Welcome/Sign In

- In Attendance: Louise Sainato, Carol Burke, Rick Surette, Laura Richards, Diane Fitzpatrick, Monique Barnum, Susan Tingdahl, Jane Hubbard, Patricia Romano
- Meeting began at approximately 7:30 pm. after Mr. L.'s Parent Meeting for "Hello, Dolly".

2. **President's Report** – Louise Sainato

- Motion was made to approve Sept. 15th minutes, seconded and unanimously accepted.
- Broadway Revue made \$730. Extremely successful and well received. Kids loved it.
- Farmers' Market was not especially productive. Discussion for how to improve in the future. Or do it at all? Need kids to come and sing / entertain.
- Member recruitment discussion. We took the opportunity to welcome those that came for the Parent Meeting and explain our mission. Rick shared with the group the fact that many of the surrounding towns charge a production fee to participate in the schools' plays/musicals, ranging from \$50/production to \$100 and up. Mr. L. reiterated that that is the last thing he would ever want to do and would hope it would not come to that for Wilmington.
- Meeting date Confirmed for the 1st Monday of the month.

3. Mr. Luciana's Report

- Cookie Dough Fundraiser box missing, hoping temporarily. Incentive offered this year tied to sales quantity. Cookies to be distributed back to kids to distribute.
- Choral dresses some were returned from last year. Dresses to be ordered soon. Mr. L. hopes to get measurements in within next 2 weeks.
- "Hello, Dolly" parent volunteers needed. Handed out sign up sheets at the parent meeting and also is looking to get email addresses.

4. Treasurer's Report

- Still need a replacement for Peggy Speranza. Any volunteers?
- Account has a balance of +/- \$6000 range.

5. Webmaster/Publicity Report and Discussion – Rick Surette

- Reading Co-op solicited for water donations.
- Lawn Signs The Sign Station (Bay St) has these. Will also make banners. Make them generic so dates can be changed, etc.
- Sandwich Board We received 2 plastic ones. Need more visibility. Tom Brabant is publicity for kids we should coordinate our publicity efforts with them.
- Send flyers to Amanda Ducharme to distribute via email.

6. Fundraising Discussion

- Battle of the Bands.
 - Only 4 bands signed up so far. Extend the date to Fri. Oct 10th or further? The Real School did not retweet but Patch, News, Crier did. Try to contact other schools? Rick will email Shawsheen Tech and see if they will distribute and/or hang flyers.
 - o Decided on no food. Will sell candy and water.
 - o Emcee(s)? Louise will contact Real School and see if they will do the introductions.
 - o Rehearsal Fri. 10/24 3-6 pm
- Dining Fundraiser/Karaoke Pacific Grove (Victor, owner) Sat. night 15% of check with flyers. Take-out also counts. Raffle/scratch tickets. January time frame? 99 should still be done down the road.
- March-a-pella VII. Vocality (U. Lowell), Jess's group @ Emerson-chk with Mr. L. Ball in the House, Fermata Town. Plus 2 more and our 2 HS groups. Ball in the House workshops in school. Increase ticket price.

7. Future performances

8. Old Business

• Donation to church for use of room for Broadway Revue. \$50 approved.

9. New Business

10. Next Meeting Date

- Monday, November 3rd, 2014 at 7 pm.
- 11. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Monique Barnum