

Wilmington High School Choral and Theatre Support (C.A.T.S.)

Monday, March 2, 2015 — 7:00 p.m.

1. Welcome/Sign In

- In Attendance: Monique Barnum, Laurie Briere, Carole Burke, Diane Fitzpatrick, Jane Hubbard, Maura Kilbride, Laura Richards, Pat Romano, Louise Sainato, Rick Surette, Susan Tingdahl and Robin Roman-Wright.
- Meeting began at approximately 7:03 p.m.

2. President's Report – Louise Sainato

- A motion was made by Laurie Briere to approve the amended February minutes and seconded by Susan Tingdahl. Motion was unanimously passed. Amended to remove MAP note regarding Jess Kesprian's group's participation.
- Congrats on METG One Act Festival. A great job by actors and crew. Lots of fun! A special thank you to Robin Roman-Wright for driving the set to and from both the METG and ITS festivals saving CATS the UHaul rental costs.
- The ITS Festival in Tewksbury. Wilmington's scheduled time is 4:15 p.m. and tickets are \$10 each for the day. The public is welcome.

3. Treasurer's Report – Susan Tingdahl

- Louise and Susan have not yet been able to meet to formally pass along the treasurer's documentation, etc. No formal report and no printouts, but Louise provided the following updates:
- \$5,533.34 balance.
- Profit from March-a-Pella (MAP) in past years has been approximately \$3,700 so we are hopeful for the same or more this year.

4. Mr. Luciana Report

- Not present
- Louise reported for Mr. L that he is not able to make the March or April C.A.T.S. meetings. All agreed that the director to C.A.T.S. communication is very important and that a face-to-face meeting should happen whenever possible.

5. Webmaster/Publicity Report – Rick Surette

- WERS 88.9 FM is going to announce MAP during Saturday and Sunday's broadcasts.
- Newspapers will have information on MAP as well.
- C.A.T.S. website has a link to MAP tickets site.
- It is too late for RMLD donation.
- Ms. Peters will arrange to have it announced at WHS.

6. Fundraising Discussion

- March-A-Pella is Friday, 13 March at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Auditorium.
 - Louise has requested set lists from all groups, except Ball in the House and Fermata Town, and there looks to be no conflicts of songs.

- Order of performance is planned as follows: Cadence, Westfield's Night Owls, UMass Lowell's Vocality, SoundScape, Intermission, Fermata Town and Ball in the House.
- There will be a 20 minute intermission including raffles.
- If the song is ready in time, Cadence and SoundScape to perform one song together during the show.
- Volunteers are needed for ticket sales, will call table, concessions, lottery tree raffle, 50/50 sales and dinner service before the event. See below for volunteer's needed for baked goods and food for performers.
- Jeremy Frost and Chris Romano will emcee the event.
- Online sales are behind with 38 tickets sold to date whereas last year 50 had been sold.
- An e-mail has been sent to all who have bought MAP tickets in the past letting them know that tickets are now on sale.
- Diane Fitzpatrick will prepare the program including an insert for the dining for a cause event (see later mention of this).
- Food for the performers as follows. Each group will eat following their sound check.
 - Pizza donated by Pizzeria Regina (thank you to John Romano for coordinating). Rick is picking the pizza up and plans to arrive at the Middle School around 4:30 p.m.
 - Large Caesar Salads (three needed) by Laurie Briere, Monique Barnum, and Diane Fitzpatrick
 - Utensils by Louise Sainato (has leftovers from the past)
 - Water donations needed (some for each room and concession sales)
 - BJ's for Candy by Susan Tingdahl. Please give her any BJ's candy coupons you have prior to the event.
 - Bake sale items by Carole Burke. She will coordinate donations asking for no nuts, not bagged, and simple items. Carole will bring the bags needed.
- MAP sign to be hung above the stage.
- C.A.T.S. sign to be hung in the lobby.
- For the lottery tree, Louise has received \$60 in lottery tickets, \$120 in cash/check donations. Diane Fitzpatrick will put together the lottery tree.
- Sound check by Ball in the House is at 4:00 p.m. followed by the other groups and completed by 6:10 p.m. Fermata Town has requested to be last for sound check to allow their group members to all be there.
- Door will open at 6:15 p.m.
- Ball in the House sounds like they'll be doing educational outreach at the Middle School, but that is coordinated by others so C.A.T.S. does not have further details.
- Dining for a cause flyers for the Wilmington 99 Restaurant on Wednesday, March 25, 2015. Small flyers will be included within the MAP programs.

7. Old Business

- No old business discussed.

8. New Business

- Scholarships. Louise proposed to discuss and agree on requirements for scholarship applications, but to defer selecting how many and how much we will give out until the April meeting so we will know how much money was raised from MAP. Senior parents will not participate in this part of the meeting. All agreed on previous criteria. Scholarship applications will be made available midnight on Wednesday, April 1st until midnight Thursday, April 30th. She will notify the guidance office including providing flyers for the scholarships.

9. Next Meeting Date

- Monday, April 6, 2015 at 7:00 a.m. in the High School Library.

10. Adjourn

- A motion was made to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. Motion was unanimously accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Briere

C.A.T.S. Co-Secretary

IMPORTANT DATES (dates subject to change and update)	
March 13 th (Friday)	MARCH-A-Pella VII 7:00 p.m. WMS Auditorium
March 18 th (Wednesday)	Lamplighter's Fundraiser: Night of Music 7:00 p.m. WMS Auditorium
April 16 th (Thursday)	POPS Concert
May 28/29/30 (Thurs/Fri/Sat)	Hamlet 7:00 p.m. WHS Auditorium
May 5 th (Tuesday)	Spring Choral Concert 7:00 p.m. WHS Auditorium
June 5 th (Friday)	Scholarship Night
June 7 th (Sunday)	Graduation
June (TBD)	Cabaret 7:00 p.m. WHS