



**Joliet West High School  
Choir Parents' Organization  
August 31, 2010 Meeting**

**Officers present:** President Nancy Roechner; Vice President Lisa Verive; Treasurer Sue Leece; Secretary Peggy Robinson

**Faculty present:** Tim DeBoer

**Members present:** Joan Buechel, Sandy Gonda, Marla Baloy, Diane Pipping, Tammy Relyea, Miriam Richardson, Al Roechner, Dee Farris, and Ruth McCallister.

The meeting was called to order by President Nancy Roechner at 6:35 pm.

Nancy reminded parents to fill out the contact information sheet that Tim sent home with the students. Nancy introduced the board and asked for parents' help for the upcoming school year.

**Minutes:** Lisa Verive moved that the minutes from the April 6, 2010 meeting be approved as submitted. Sandy Gonda seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sue Leece reported the current balance is \$12,443.14. Nancy thanked Sue for the time she spent over the summer learning the new Quicken program to keep the organization's books.

Balance 6/30/2010		\$11,399.34
7/29/10	Refund from Choir Trip	\$1,134.00
8/8/10	Error Adjustment	-\$0.04
8/8/10	Error Adjustment	-\$125.00
8/8/10	Error Adjustment	\$49.84
8/18/10	Secretary of State	-\$15.00
Balance 8/25/10		\$12,443.14
Total Inflows		\$1,183.84
Total Outflows		-\$140.04
Net Total		\$1,043.80

Meeting dates were selected for the next three months:

Tuesday, September 28th at 6:30 pm

Tuesday, October 26th at 6:30 pm

Tuesday, November 16th at 6:30 pm

There will be another meeting before Songs of the Season to assemble raffle items. Meeting date to be determined later.

Tim DeBoer explained the State of Illinois budget cuts and how it has affected the budget for the choir. Tim requested \$600 for music, \$200 for music for the Beautyshop Girls, and \$1200 for Opera Scenes. The \$1200 will mainly go to Douglas Hawksworth for set construction and costumes. Melanie Brsan will be paid as accompanist through the school, and Tim generously offered to donate his time. We will regain some of the \$1200 through ticket sales. Dee Farris moved that we approve these disbursements. Al Roechner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Opera Scenes tickets will go on sale on ShowTix4U at \$5.50 each. The link will be posted soon on the jtwestchoir.org site. Lisa Verive suggested we set up a table to sell the Mr. Z's pizzas and tickets for Songs of the Season before and after Opera Scenes. We will also hand out fliers for the Chili's fundraiser.

Songs of the Season is set for December 1st at the Victorian Ballroom at Jacob Henry Mansion. Lisa Verive will work on a letter that we can use to solicit donations of money and raffle items from businesses. After the donation letter is updated, it will be emailed to all of the parents for their help in soliciting donations. Tammy Relyea volunteered to oversee RSVPs for the event. Peggy Robinson will write thank you letters for donations. Nancy Roechner and Lisa Verive will oversee the raffle items that are collected. Joan Buechel has the raffle item boxes. Miriam Richardson will check on frames for the item description fliers for the items. Marla Baloy volunteered to type the descriptions of the raffle items. Tim will take care of contacting Kristine Schlismann for the press release.

Mr. Z's pizza fundraiser will kickoff on September 17th and end on October 1st. Pizza delivery will be on October 29th from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Volunteers will be needed that day to unload the truck and hand out the pizzas.

Tim will hand out the magazine postcard fundraiser information as soon as it is received. The CPO gets 50% of magazine subscriptions that are sold and the postcards to solicit sales can be mailed to friends and relatives anywhere.

Lisa Verive reported the Wendy's fundraiser starts on Tuesday, September 7th from 5 to 8 pm at the Route 59 Wendy's. We don't need any coupons and we get 15% of the sales. The fundraiser will continue to be on the first Tuesday of each month.

Nancy will see if Chili's will let us have the dining fundraiser from September 23rd through the 26th. The Powder Puff game is on 9/23, Opera Scenes is on 9/24, and homecoming is on 9/25. This would provide many opportunities to hand out the fliers. Nancy will also check with Texas Road House to see if we can have a fundraiser during the musical in the spring. Texas Road House also sells frozen rolls if we want to explore that opportunity at a later time.

Baker's Square will give us 10% of the proceeds on October 28th to coincide with the choir concert. They will donate all proceeds from 5 to 10 pm. We might also explore a fundraising opportunity with Sonic in the spring.

Tim will take care of ordering T-Shirts for the various choir groups.

Lori Bowen is offering musical theatre dance classes beginning Tuesday, September 7th from 8:30 to 9:30 pm. The class is a 12-week program and will focus on various types of dance. It is \$10 per class, and students can pay as they go.

Sandy Gonda asked if the band and choir could share tuxes and a dress since they are short a few. It was decided that this would work as Tim and Kevin Carol have already discussed this.

Nancy said the choir dresses will be delivered on Thursday.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 28th at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peggy Robinson, Secretary

**Future dates to remember:**

Opera Scenes – September 24, 2010 @ 7:00 pm  
Fall Showcase – October 28, 2010 @ 7:00 pm  
Songs of the Season Dinner – December 1, 2010 @ 6:00 pm  
Winter Concert – December 9, 2010 @ 7:00 pm  
Swing, Pop & Jazz Concert – January 14, 2011 @ 7:00 pm  
Tri-M Vocal Recital – February 3, 2011 @ 6:00 pm  
Mid-Winter Concert – February 17, 2011 @ 7:00 pm  
Choir Contest – March 5, 2011  
The Secret Garden (Musical) – April 15 – 17, 2011 @ 7:00 pm  
Spring Concert – May 12, 2011 @ 7:00 pm

Parents are encouraged to stay updated on choir events by checking the choir website regularly at [www.jtwestchoir.org](http://www.jtwestchoir.org) and on the Facebook group: Joliet West Choir Parents' Organization.