

WACMA Meeting September 6, 2005

- Attendance: Diane Wene, Sue Stalewski, Sott DeKok, Dawn Adams, Darlene Schmidt
- Secretary's Report: Dawn motioned to approve, Sue seconded.
- Treasurer's Report: No new transactions since last report.
- Orchestra Report: First concert on Wednesday, October 19th.
Orchestra dress code will be modified somewhat this year. No skirts for girl, they will wear slacks. They also will wear black tops, possibly tuxedo shirts.
Boys will wear tuxedos.
Orchestra will rehearse with the Band at times and there will be a Symphonic Band this year.
Orchestra membership will be slightly lower this year, but should show a big increase next year.
There seems to be a very positive and enthusiastic spirit within the group.
Dawn will have more info on membership numbers and event dates at the next meeting.
- Band Report: There is a new Band Director at Central this year, Jeremiah Cawley. He goes by "Miah" Cawley.
- Choir Report: First concert on Wednesday, October 19th with the Orchestra
Membership of Choir is down to 29. Five years ago it was at 76.
Scott got one (1) freshman boy to join this year. Boys don't think they should be singing. We have to get the message to them that it is OK and good for them to be in choirs.
Scheduling and FIT Teams do affect the membership. It is not possible for a student to take an instrument and also be in a choir.
- Old Business: Music Honor Society still in the talking stage.

District Website not up and running yet.
- Fundraising: Dawn will email us the information on Pocket Peelers. We will sell the Poinsettia Plants again and hand out flyers at the October 19th concert. Profits will go to the student accounts this year. Since the Musical is in the beginning of December this year, we would also like to have a table and sell Poinsettias at the Musical.

New Business: We will hand out information on Pick “N” Save and Advocacy Websites at the Open House.

Leadership Conference: There will be a Leadership Conference at Waukesha North High School on Monday, September 12th, 4:30-7:00. This is open to any music student who wishes to attend. Cost is around \$20.00 per student. WACMA will give up to \$200.00 to help with the expenses. They will need to charter a bus for transportation. This is a wonderful conference and will be of great benefit to any student participating.

Musical: Central Musical will be “A Wonderful Life” the first two weekends of December. Tryouts are Tuesday, September 13th and recalls will be Thursday, September 15th.

Music Advocacy: We will continue to have our advocacy information available at the Open House and sell our bracelets.

Scott is continuing his efforts as Music Liaison and will be speaking at Longfellow’s Open House on Thursday, September 8th to educate parents on the importance and value of music education. It is important for students to see the benefit of involvement in choirs, orchestras and bands.

We will plan to advocate at Middle school registration in January.

Next Meeting: Next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 4th at 6:02 p.m.

Sue motioned to adjourn meeting at 6:50 p.m. Dawn seconded.