

**Martin Orchestra Booster Club**  
**Minutes of the General Membership Meeting**  
**March 3, 2008**

Kevin Chin called the meeting to order at 8:10 pm. The following executive board members were present: Mr. Stringer, Mrs. King, Kevin Chin, Lindy Baty, Leslie Seggelink, Kathy Crusto-Way, and Beth Hellier. In addition, two parents were in attendance: Linda Ziolko and Martha Fiddes.

**Executive Board Member Reports:**

**Secretary:** Lindy Baty presented the February 5th Executive Board minutes. Kathy Crusto-Way made a motion to approve the minutes as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer:** Beth Hellier presented financial reports from 2/5/2008 through 3/3/2008. The booster club account beginning balance was \$26,517.87 and the ending balance was \$24,615.61. The fundraiser account beginning balance was \$1,195.29 and the ending balance was the same. Lindy Baty moved to file the financial reports for audit. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Membership:** No activity to report at this time.

**Fund Raising:**

*Photo Sales:* Kevin Chin reported that there was a recent \$4.00 sale.

*Cookie Bake/Sales:* Kevin Chin reported that the cookie fundraiser was scheduled to begin on March 4<sup>th</sup> with reduced-fat products; however, the freezer was inadvertently unplugged, causing the dough to spoil. As a result, cookie sales will begin March 13<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are still needed.

**Newsletter:** The next newsletter is scheduled for distribution on March 26<sup>th</sup>. The newsletter deadline will be March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Old Business:**

**A Taste of Martin:** Leslie Seggelink is in the process of sending letters of thanks to volunteers and donors. Mr. Stringer is requesting more information from Memorial High School and Leslie is gathering information from Mr. Handley to aid in the successful implementation of this fundraiser in November 2008. Leslie mentioned that some silent auction items have deadlines and should be auctioned before November. She will list these items on e-Bay and/or Stub Hub.

**Copier:** The booster club will purchase a new copier (Xerox CopyCentre C118 @ approximately \$1,700.00) for the directors' use. Kevin Chin will initiate the purchase. Future booster club budgets will need to include costs for toner and drum replacement as needed. \_

**Spring Trip Funding:** Mr. Stringer proposed offsetting the spring trip cost for each student by \$40.00. He suggested applying the Fundraiser Account balance of \$1,195.29 toward the trip, as well as \$684.71 from the *Taste of Martin* budget. These two combined allocations would provide \$20 for 94 students from booster club funds (total =\$1,880.00). In addition, Mr. Stringer would allocate \$20 per student from the Student Activity Fund. Lindy Baty made a motion to offset the trip cost by \$40 per student as discussed. The motion passed unanimously.

**New Business:**

**Spring Trip:** Mr. Stringer announced a mandatory spring trip parent meeting on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. At least one parent and his/her student must attend. A mandatory chaperone meeting will be held the same night at 6:00 pm. These meetings will be posted on the web site and announced in class.

**Junior High Orchestra UIL Contest:** Mr. Stringer reported that Martin HS will host the District's junior high UIL contest this Thursday (3/6) and Friday (3/7). UIL provides \$25/day to cover costs of snacks for the judges. Mr. Stringer requested booster club funding for 3 desk lamps (to be used by the judges in the auditorium), pizza for student volunteers, and hot lunches for the judges on Friday. Funding for these items is available in the current budget.

**Digital Piano Flight Case:** The orchestras own a digital piano that is stored in the orchestra room and used in rehearsals. Unfortunately, it has no case and is subject to dust and damage from accidents. Mr. Stringer requested booster club funds to purchase a protective flight case with wheels at a cost between \$250 and \$500. Funding for this item is available in the current budget. Kevin Chin will initiate the purchase of this equipment.

**Directors' Reports:**

Mr. Stringer reported that District UIL will be held on March 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Schedules will be posted on the web page. Non-varsity groups perform on the 12<sup>th</sup> and varsity groups perform on the 13<sup>th</sup>. An orchestra UIL celebration will be held on Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup> during lunch time. Volunteers are needed to serve pizza and cake from 12:20 – 1:05 pm.

**Adjournment:** Kevin Chin announced the next Executive Board meeting on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm in the orchestra room. The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted by  
Lindy Baty  
MOBC Secretary