

**North Allegheny Orchestra Parents Association Meeting**  
**February 15, 2018**

**Welcome** – The meeting was called to order by NAOPA President, Lee-Hannah Allen

**Approval of Minutes** - The minutes from the previous meeting were approved without modification.

**Treasurers Report** – Valerie Welsh, NAOPA Treasurer

Current balance is \$46,388.12. Next trip payment is due March 15th. As a 501C organization NAOPA is required to submit tax forms. A full detailed report can be found on the NAOPA Website (naorchestra.org).

**Committee Reports** –

Chaperone Coordinator – We continue to need chaperones to accompany the Strolling groups to and from events. All who are interested must have their clearance documents on file. Those who filed last year are probably set for this year as well. If uncertain, contact Lorraine Ozypok, or the Central Administration Office to see if your clearances are up to date. Information on obtaining clearances is available on the district website.

**Fundraiser Coordinator Update** – While NAOPA is not merely a fundraising organization, it is a lot of what we do. We provide several fund raising opportunities for those who wish to use them to offset a portion of the cost of the spring trip. Participation is completely optional.

Briefly, the current fundraisers are:

Giant Eagle gift cards: Fundraiser completed. NAOPA is looking for a volunteer to run this Fundraiser next year.

Flower and Bulb sale: Sale completed.

Mixed Bag Designs: Sale completed.

Program Ads: Sale completed.

Pie Shoppe pie sale: Sale completed.

Prestigeorge Coffee and Tea sale: The current and last sale is complete with pick-ups on Saturday Feb 17<sup>th</sup> in the morning from 9:30am -11:30am in the NASH Cafeteria.

Pittsburgh Pierogi Truck pierogi sale: The current and last sale is complete with pick-ups on Saturday Feb 17<sup>th</sup> in morning from 9:30am -11:30am in the NASH Cafeteria.

50/50 sale: Each year we sell 50/50 tickets at our winter and spring concerts. Proceeds do not support any individual students, but rather help to support NAOPA's charitable activities. 50/50 winner at December Concert donated their half back to the NAOPA!

**Old Business**

Uniform Coordinators are needed for next year.

**New Business**

Senior Banquet – this year's Sr Banquet is planned for June 11<sup>th</sup> (Monday) at the Holy Trinity Center in McCandless, near UPMC. More details to come at future meetings.

**Orchestra Director's Report** – Sarah Lavelle, Director

Ms. Lavelle has asked that any new blast e-mail information be sent to her by Thursday of each week so a single weekly blast e-mail can be sent on Friday's to everyone with all information together.

The Disney Character Children's concert is scheduled for March 17<sup>th</sup> at Carson Middle School at 11:00a (just one concert). The concert is free and open to anyone but is targeted towards younger children who are encouraged to attend in their favorite Disney themed costumes. The concert will be performed by just NASH Orchestra students (no NAI students).

Beginner String Festivals will be occurring between March 12<sup>th</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Chamber lists were posted on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

For this year's Spring Trip to Myrtle Beach, SC, all information, including itinerary, projected cost, and payment timeline are available on [naorchestra.org](http://naorchestra.org). The buses will depart Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, and return to NASH on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Closing Announcements**

Lee-Hannah reminded those present that the NAOPA needs active volunteers, especially to take over positions that will become open due to parents of 2018 graduates no longer being in office or as coordinators. If you are interested in learning more, please contact one of the members of NAOPA. Please check your emails and the [naorchestra.org](http://naorchestra.org) website for chaperone opportunities, as well.

Our next meeting will be at 7pm on March 15<sup>th</sup> in the Orchestra Room at NASH.

**Dismiss**

With our business completed, a motion to dismiss was offered and the meeting was adjourned by Lee-Hannah Allen, NAOPA President.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Connor, NAOPA Secretary