**MUSE Board Meeting**

January 12, 2015

**Agenda**

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of December minutes

3. Public Comment

4. Financial Report—Sara

5. Discuss the manner in which MUSE funds are dispersed/recorded

6. Crab Feed: Where do we stand now—servers, bakers, wine, etc.

7. Decision on Honoree(s) for May 8th fundraiser

8. Dine out in March, Mac House

9. Future Agenda Items: Next round of vetting, underwriters, meeting with Tomek(March 8)

Next meeting will be Monday, February 23, 2015 @K-8 Library(discuss date change to 4th Monday of the month)

Meeting was called to order at 4:07pm.

Attending—Shanti, Sara, Pam, Anna, Susan, Mel, Doug

**2. Approval of December minutes**

Moved by Sara that December minutes be accepted. Seconded by Mel. Minutes were approved unanimously.

**4. Financial Report—Sara**

Sara said she would have the financial report at our next meeting.

**5. Discuss the manner in which MUSE funds are dispersed/recorded**

Re: payment of musicians for music performances at schools. MUSE pays the school district for the performances. Sara explained that the present system works well enough. Musicians must invoice the school and the musicians will be paid later(i.e. the school district pays later) We will reimburse the school district for what has been agreed upon. We have agreed to pay $1200 for the entire music series. Mel said that Carl Schoen had called asking after payment.

**6. Crab Feed: Where do we stand now—servers, bakers, wine, etc.**

The Crab Feed—48 people have signed up so far. We have a total capacity of 82. Mel said he has heard the crab season has been difficult so far. The Noyo Fish Company has been very wonderful about supplying the crab for the feed and we mean to be supportive of them. Duncan Engineering will sponsor another $100 for the Crab Feed. Mel’s daughter is also kicking in $100.

Servers have been hard to find, says Pamela Duncan. There will be 8 tables at the event and we will need 8-10 servers. Pam asked if Middle Schoolers could serve. This is fine with all, but we will also work toward getting more high school servers during the week leading up to the show. Caroline and Wind Spirit are doing the kitchen for us, Little River is donating a dishwasher, and Jorgen will help crack crab.

Susan reminded that we should get email addresses and contacts at the door so it will be easier to contact people next year.

Prep will start by 5pm—Jorgen, Carolyn, Wind Spirit, and Little River Inn Dishwasher. Clean up should be over by 9:30pm.

There will also be mineral water and coke for people who don’t drink.

10 Desserts to auction will be supplied by Marci from the high school(2). Sweet Affair, Wicked Bon Bons, and others. The auction will be kept track of by Sara and Anna. Susan thinks there should be one big auction item that might bring in $300-$400. She read off a list of potential places to stay which might bring in some money. Bodega Bay sounded good to many board members(sounds “crabby”)

Re: cookies for each table--

If we supply the money for Oscar & Culinary, maybe she would be able to make about making 100 chocolate chip cookies and 100 lemon bars as dessert for the dinner. Pat Turner will be making a brownie cake. **Didn’t Gail promise to ask Oscar about this? If Gail didn’t ask Oscar about this, Doug will.**

**Running order for Evening, including show--**

6-7:30 pm Eating Crab

7:15-7:35 Dessert Auction(desserts not to be handed out until they’ve paid)

7:40 to 8:30 MHS Improv Show

(MHS Improv Players will get free pizza beforehand in the kitchen.)

We will have little mini posters with our little crab guy bragging about MUSE. Doug will design them. Something like “MUSE has funded over $800,000 in school enrichment. This year alone MUSE has funded the MHS Improv Club, the Culianry program, 7th & 8th grade trip, blah, blah, blah”. **Anna will help coach Doug on what to emphasize.**

**7. Decision on Honoree(s) for May 8th fundraiser**

We talked about approaching John & Kathy Hughes as our big Honorees for the May 8th dinner. We also talked about honoring the Little River Inn family in the near future, perhaps 2016. Most of us agreed on this plan, although there was vociferous opposition from the McKinneys(just kidding)

**8. Dine out in March, Mac House**

Sara is working on planning a date for Mac House dine out in March.

Future Agenda Items: next round of MUSE vetting will be in March. **Doug should remind MHS teachers of this deadline.**

Mel pointed out that MUSE really would like to see some of our money go toward a full time instrumental program for the district. Mel will approach Jason once again. There is unanimous support on the MUSE board for an instrumental music program.

Which teacher will be going to Nicaragua with AE Week? Serena?

The MUSE board meeting was adjourned at 5:20.