

DEXTER DRAMA CLUB BOOSTER MEETING

May 11, 2021

ATTENDEES

Jodi Helmholtz, Karla Butters, Margie Portice, Megan Urbin, Shannan Shaw, Jennifer Moraschinelli, Kristin Tomczak, Julie Arnold, Abby O'Haver, Nicole Durbin, Katie Seale, Anne Carlson & Martin Ruhlig

General

Future Boosters/Senior Parents – Jeff Leadbetter has agreed to be the Set Build leader for both the winter and spring shows but has requested to work with a co-lead to share the workload. We still need a fall Set Build lead though, so if anyone knows of someone willing to help, please encourage them to contact any one of us.

Senior Honors – Everything is coming together nicely. ALL booster parents are encouraged to come and assist in assembling the senior gift items next Wednesday May 19th at 6:00ish at Jodi's house. We also have cards for the Drama Club students to sign so any help circulating those would be appreciated. Dexter Creamery has graciously agreed to give each senior a gift certificate and will match our monetary donation. They will also include a Dexter Drama topper specifically created for our students on their ice cream.

Senior Car Parade - May 23rd at 2:00pm. All are encouraged to attend.

DDC Found an Accountant - Angie Finch! More details forthcoming.

Meeting Schedule – This meeting has been the second Tuesday of the month for as long as anyone can remember but several parents either have or will be having some conflicts. There was discussion to gather everyone's thoughts and input and decision was to stay where we are for next month, take July off, and then when we start back up in August, we will be moving to the second Thursday of the month.

Tarzan

Show Update – Zipping along rather well! Tech weekend was more inside due to weather so they did the first dress rehearsal full run through on Monday. There are about 85-ish students involved in this production. The sound and lavs are coming along much with much thanks and appreciation to Martin for all his efforts. The students are really trying and making the show come together nicely.

Covid Testing – The Governor changed the regulations and now technically the fully vaccinated students don't have to be tested. However, the students feel more secure knowing everyone has been tested so we will continue with the current protocols as they are and will continue testing all the students. The Improv Workshop students will need to come to get tested this weekend so a reminder will be sent.

Publicity – Banner was taken down and will be moved to the school fence on Baker Road. Julie will grab the banner tomorrow and then bring it to the school for students to hang on the fence.

Swag – We have lots of black tech shirts with two different quotes, so as a result, there will be a swag table at the show to try to move product. There are not a lot of sweatshirts left so students should be sure to grab one if they are interested sooner rather than later.

Hospitality – Going well, with water being supplied every day.

Tickets – We will need to have cash on hand as we are having a live audience. There is seating set for 150 people in attendance. Masks are still required for outdoor gatherings per our reading of the current Michigan law even for those people fully vaccinated. Katie is going to set up the QR codes for contact tracing.

Programs – Were finished this morning and sent to Jenny for printing. There will be a total of 350 programs due to the pretty high cost for each one. The high cost is primarily due to the color printing which includes the cover and the center section. This topic will need to be researched for various cost options before next fall's show.

Sponsors/Thank You Letters – \$4000 goal was met! Lots of ads were sold which is good but the school did not want to pay for the generators so costs for this show are high. Sales need to go up big time to cover the costs.

Streaming Update – There is a 4-hour turnaround time from upload to streaming. As a result, there will be no shows streamed on-line Thursday. The Thursday show will be recorded and uploaded to stream on Friday as will all the other shows which will be shown the day after the live performance.

Upcoming Events

Improv Workshop – All set to start next week, May 17th thru 21st with a show Friday night. David will be back; everyone is available, and we are happy to be able to move forward with this. We are going to try to use the outdoor amphitheater as much as possible depending on the weather.

Improv Shows – Friday May 28th is the final Improv Show for the year

Gala – is all set for Friday June 11th. Not sure what the rules are going to be, the gala may be inside, more details to follow as the date approaches.

2020-2021 Booster Meeting Schedule

Next Booster Meeting – Tuesday June 8, 2021 starting at 6:30pm

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Treasurer (acct reporting)	Michael Baker / Jen Moraschinelli	Set Build Coord. Spring	Rick Urbin
Drama Director	Erin Palmer	Sponsorships Coord. (Sales)	Maryanne Leadbetter
Graphic Design Coord.	Martin Ruhlig	Sponsor Assist (Post-Sales)	Angie Lampi *
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Hospitality Green Room	Kathy Withrow Abby O'Haver	Technical Coord.	Michael Baker
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* Board members with students who are seniors

- Highlighted in yellow are those attending this meeting