DEXTER DRAMA CLUB BOOSTER MEETING October 3, 2023

Attendees: Jennifer Moraschinelli, Sheri Meloche, Kerri Hudson, Connor Gleespen, Ellie Katz, Danielle Ritchie, Andria Althoen, Karrie Carpenter, Jen Fillion, Amy Jordan, Mary Lynch, Angela Fleishens, Kate Seale, Heidi Biggs, Katie Roycroft, Penni Jones, Heather Drummond

Looking for 2023-2024 Boosters:

- Set Build Coordinator with some carpentry knowledge. Thank you to those who came to lend a hand the last few weeks!!
- Middle school representative: **Katie Roycroft!** Katie is working on a carpool for middle school students to come to production rehearsals and/or Improv.

Notes from Mrs. Erin Palmer:

- 3D Auditions: Taryn is leading the 3D production. Tech sign-ups, student contracts and other paperwork will be due after the Murder on the Orient Express (MOTOE) production. The 3D rehearsals will not overlap with the MOTOE rehearsals unless an actor is not in the Fall play.
- New York Trip: The first deposits were due Oct. 1st (up to 30 kids). So far, 24 attendees are signed up to go on the trip. The trip sign-up will open up to underclassmen to fill any remaining spots in needed.
- Thespian Festival: Deadline to sign up is Oct. 20th. Plus, there are other deadlines for additional paperwork for festival events including performances to earn scholarship money. Info and dates are posted online on the DDC website.
- Drama SWAG: MANY general drama SWAG options to choose from!!!! Jen is designing a SWAG display at set build for use at upcoming shows.

Apple Daze: We made a scarecrow for DDC advertisement at Apple Daze! Delivering scarecrow on Friday evening prior to Apple Daze event. The cost for supplies was \$100. Ads for all shows (4) will be displayed.

Homecoming Parade and game day: Trailers were delivered to the school, and everything is going according to plan! Amazing job Connor and Student Officers! Departure from the high school for the parade is 1:30pm.

Busch's MyWay program: The year end is approaching, so please sign up now for next year! It is a good way to earn money for the Dexter Drama Club.

Dine To Donate at Dexter Pub: Wednesday, 10/11. Dine in and carry out qualifies for Dine to Donate, with a flyer. Reminders will be sent via email (with flyer) and on social media.

Off Q-Improv: Friday, 10/13, at 7 pm. Danielle volunteered to help set up Concessions for the show.

The Squall: We signed up for an ad in the DHS newspaper, The Squall (\$130 for ¼ page ad). We typically sign up annually. Nate Borel is a journalist with the Squall and will facilitate placement of the ad.

MOTOE Updates:

Publicity & Volunteer Coordinators:

- Teaser Day: No Teasers at schools for this show, due to content. Teasers will be on the W4 Country Radio station only.
- Billboard photoshoot completed. Should be up soon!
- City banner is ready and will be delivered soon.
- Ellie will generate parent volunteer Sign-Ups for Cast Party, as well as other duties.

- Jen will send info over for the Marquis.
- Requesting permission to place a sign/banner on the fence by Creekside.

Set Build Coordinators Fall: All structures are up. THANK YOU to the last-minute volunteer and voluntold helpers!! We can use a little more help this weekend, but on some small projects.

Sponsorships: We have some waivers for the show (10) so far, in place to help with covering costs of the show. There was a discussion about reaching out to new some of the new businesses in town to see if they would be interested in sponsorships.

SWAG Coordinators: Show SWAG order is getting put together for MOTOE and will get placed soon. General SWAG orders will come off the website after Homecoming.

Graphic Design Coordinator: All designs have been completed and the order will be placed with Postal Prints tomorrow. Ordered 1,200 tickets and 700 programs.

Concessions: Purchased "Water Absorbent reusable Mats- 10 Pack - 15" x 19" for use at Concessions and the Green Room water table. Need to check inventory of Concessions items.

Thespian Society: Festival on 12/8 in Lansing. 14 people are signed up currently, but Registration is still open. Only students can sign up for it and fill out the online form, but parents can submit payment online.

Hospitality Green Room: For MOTOE, plan on about 80 students for meals and snacks. Students would like to keep including the tossed salads from Busch's along with the hot meals. Karrie Carpenter volunteered to make vegetarian meatballs on the last day. For the 3D series, will provide mostly just fortified snacks like breadsticks, bagels, or hummus and items from Costco due to rotating number of students during tech/show weeks.

Tickets Sales Coordinators: Ordered 1,200 tickets which is similar to the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe show. Go Fan is ready to go.

Hospitality- Tech Weekend: Dexter Orthodontics to sponsor pizza day on 10/21 and pop in for a visit. Melissa is generating a list of duties/tasks for her coordinator position. Will provide food for 3D tech weekend, per usual but dates may be shifted slightly.

Photography: Kate Seale, Katie Prall, and the Publicity crew students will take Candid photos. Shannan Shaw will take the Headshots of the Cast/Crew.

Website Coordinator: The DDC website looks awesome!! Great job on the updates!

Programs: In the previous program there were QR codes in two spots. Plan to just include one QR code from now on.

2023 - 2024 Season announced:

Fall: Murder On The Orient Express (High School only) - Oct. 26 - 29

3D Series: November 16-19

Winter: Disney's Frozen Jr. (High School and Middle separate cast, High School only on Tech) - **2 weekends** Feb 9-11 and Feb 16–18. High school and middle school will alternate days and evenings.

Spring: Pippin (High School only, includes Pit) - April 25-28

2023-2024 Meeting Dates:

October 3, November 7, December 5, January 2, February 6, March 5, April 2, May 7 and June 4

Meetings held on the First Tuesday of each month, at 6:30 pm in the DHS Media Center.

2023-2024

President	Jennifer Moraschinelli	Set Build Coord. Fall	Jen Moraschinelli, Brad Prall
Vice President	Sheri Meloche	Set Build Crew, Winter	Jen Moraschinelli, Brad Prall, Brent Sedlar
Secretary	Stacey Roys	Set Build Crew, Spring	Jen Moraschinelli, Brad Prall, Brent Sedlar
Treasurer (acct reporting)	Michael Baker, Jen Moraschinelli	Sponsorships Coord.	Jen DeGregorio, Kristi Treat, Andria Althoen, Jen Moraschinelli
Drama Director/ Advisor	Erin Palmer	SWAG Coord.	Amy Jordan & Miriam Rossow
Graphic Design Coord.	Jen Moraschinlli	Technical Coord.	Michael Baker
Hospitality- Concessions	Jen Fillion, Danielle Ritchie	Thespian Society	Erin Palmer & Jen Moraschinelli
Hospitality Green Room	Stacey Roys, Kerri Hudson	Tickets Sales Coord.	Sheri Meloche & Mary Lynch
Hospitality- Tech Weekend	Karrie Carpenter, Melissa Gleespen, (incoming Heather Drummond)	Volunteer Coord.	Ellie Katz
Photography Candids	Kate Seale, Shannan Shaw	Website Coord.	Miriam Rossow
Programs	Kate Seale	Publicity	Heidi Biggs & Ellie Katz