



AOPA MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Athens Orchestras Parent Association (AOPA)
Stover home
2017 August 18
Next meeting: 2017 Sep 12, 6pm Athens Media Center

ATTENDEES

Ryan Quinn	Anne Stibich
Peggy Chinoski	Rochelle Pennant
Tracy Grimes	Mitesh Shah
Sharon Stover	Shallabh Gupta

REPORTS

FINANCES

Charms

- **Ryan** will renew for this year, but next year **ALL** will look at other options

Scholarships

- Joey Chinoski will forgo ½ of his scholarship (lessons)

Report

- There is \$8000 in Charms/paypal

FUNDRAISING

Charity Poker

- **Peggy** will find out if we received any money for last year's poker game

Restaurant

- Buffalo Wild Wings - **NO!**
- Noodles, Sharks, Oberweis, Smashburger, Zoyo,... - **kids** will investigate

Slushee Machine

- Proposed purchase for events

Card & APP - Aug 15 - Sep 15

- Rochelle has coordinated
- Catia and Katie stuffed envelopes for distribution at camp
- An email with a picture of the card has been sent

Achitz Pie

- **ALL** to discuss at next meeting

TABB Instrument sale

- **Becky Thomas** and **Peggy** are coordinating and will send out sign-up

TABB Craft Show

- **ALL**: discussion pushed ahead

EQUIPMENT

Trailer

- **Ryan** will make keys for Peggy

- Ryan finished the interior and will be reimbursed

Uniforms

- **ALL:** discuss uniform cleaning procedure
- **ALL:** check polo shirt status

EVENTS

Utica Unicorns Game - Sep 8, 2017

- Event is planned
- **Ryan** will send emails as needed

Camp - Aug 28-30, 2017

- Sunday 6-8pm drop off instruments to trailer in Athens parking lot
- 70 students are registered
- **Ryan** will send out email soliciting chaperones
- **Mitesh** will write checks for instructors
- Shirts have been ordered; **Peggy** will pick them up at Impression Center
- **Sharon** will buy smores supplies and bags (80)
- **Peggy** will buy ice cream Sunday supplies (80)
- **Ryan** will ask Copneconic about 2018 dates: Aug 17-19, Aug 24-26, Sep 7-9

Moxie Strings - Jan 26, 2017

- **ALL:** discussion pushed ahead

2017-2018 Trip

- Ryan is pursuing Chicago as possible destination

COMMUNICATION

Registration - Aug 22-25

- Ryan made packets for distribution
- Table is set up
- Cash box for checks
- Will sell discount cards
- **Mitesh** will provide \$100 in change for the cash box

MISC

Tri-M Music Honors Society

<https://nafme.org/programs/tri-m-music-honor-society/>

- Ryan proposed starting a band/orch chapter

AOPA Meetings

- **Peggy** will send email to parents about AOPA

Bylaws

- **ALL:** read and okay bylaws by 2017 Sept 10

INTERIM CORRESPONDENCE

JUL 25, 2017

Hello All,

A couple of things, the discount card is going to print below you will see what it looks like. As you can see Steve got "Royal Indian Cuisine

& Orchid of Troy" added just for you Anne



As for the discount app. We will be given on-line access to see what vendors are on the app so parents can see if they are interested.

We are on Target for registration.



Enjoy the rest of summer
Rochelle



JUL 27, 2017

Hello All,

I spoke with Nick and he understands the communication break down and takes some of the responsibility for that as well. As a compromise, I suggested we pay him for his two most expensive nights and he would consider the other two nights as a donation to AOPA. This is acceptable to him and would be a \$380.06. Ryan has the receipts at Athens. If this is appropriate, please reply yes and we can close this.

Thank you!!

Peggy

AUG 7, 2017

Greetings AOPA Board! Hope you are enjoying this beautiful August so far.

I received an Athens PTO Registration sign-up email AND IT REMINDED ME it's time for us to plan for our AOPA registration table. Here are the notes from our last Board meeting on 7/11:

COMMUNICATION

Registration – Aug 22-25

- Ryan will create a sign-up through Charms for registration volunteers (both students and parents)
- Need to decide what will be distributed

Trying to recall if we had someone volunteer to coordinate? (determine what should be distributed, make copies, get laptop setup for camp registration, AOPA membership materials, setting up/selling spirit wear, selling of coupon card/App, etc.)

Ryan – when will you be sending out the sign-up for parents and students to man the table? Please mention that working this event contributes toward the requirement for the AOPA scholarship to “serve” the orchestra. Also, do we need to request a table from someone coordinating registration?

The other item from our last meeting quickly approaching is:

Events

Utica Unicorns Game – Sep 8, 2017

- Evening game
- Ryan is still discussing details with the establishment
- **Ryan** will send out an email to all with information
- Ryan would like students to wear the newly proposed casual uniform (see above under Uniforms)

Any quick updates to share (mostly would like to confirm date / time AND any special uniform reqmnts)?

Next week we're heading to northern Michigan for a vacation road trip, including some college tours for Hunter!

Have a great last AOPA meeting before the school year!

See you all at registration J

Tracy

PS – I heard Hunter playing camp music over the weekend, getting excited!

AUG 16, 2017

Hey Everyone,

I'm about to send the email with sign up for registration and for the used instrument sale. I'm also at the building today making copies for registration. Here's what I have for the table:

1718 Meeting date sheet stapled to the 1718 membership form.

Concert calendar

Camp info packet

Jimmy John's game info

I'm also making an "info sheet" for people working the table so they know what to give to which people. I'm going to post most of those info sheets online so people can access them. The meeting date sheet is updated and in our dropbox.

I'm thinking we should also consider selling spirit wear/rosin/stickers as well.

See you all on Friday

Ryan J. Quinn

Good Afternoon Everyone,

This is a general blanket email that does not contain any information about camp. This is pertinent to every orchestra member and their families.

-Registration next week*. AOPA (Athens Orch Parent Association) and the Orchestras will have a table. Please stop by and pick up some important items. **We are in need of students and parents to work the table. Sign up is here: <http://signup.com/go/naFRtuL>**

-Used instrument sale*. Each year, the band and orchestras team up to host a used instrument sale. This is a great time to sell and/or buy an instrument. We need both parent and student volunteers: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084fa5af29abf58-20173>

***Each year, AOPA awards scholarships to students for summer lessons and music education. A requirement to be considered for a scholarship is services done for the orchestra. Volunteering to work these events is considered a service and can be put on the application for scholarship in the spring.*

-USPBL Game. The game at Jimmy John's field is on FRIDAY SEPT. 8 and ALL ARE WELCOME! We will have a bus leaving from school around 5pm and a bus will bring students back after the game and after the fireworks. Each student participating gets one free ticket for themselves AND one complimentary ticket. Music is on Charms and must be memorized. If students are interested, please have them sign up on the calendar on Charms. We will have a rehearsal at camp and a couple of rehearsals after school the first week of school. An information page will be on the table at registration.

Thank you for your time and have a great day!