

# La Cueva High School Choral Boosters

## Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday Nov 18th 2025 6pm @ LCHS

**In attendance - Katherine Green, Allison Stevens, Tammy Brown,  
Emilie Szenasi, Karina Bell, Dan Szenasi**

- Call to Order : Allison, Tammy 2nds
- Approve previous Board Meeting minutes Oct
  - Motion: Tammy
  - Second: Tammy
  - Discussion: approved
  - Vote: all approved

- Director's Report - **Katherine Green**

Thank you all!

Student Accomplishments - District HC(13), All-State (35), SWACDA (3)

Calendar-

**November 19 & 20 - Concert Choir/Camerata Rehearsal 3:30-5pm PAC**

November 19- KRQE video record caroling at school - CC

December 1 - Silent Auction Items Due!

**December 4 - Concert Choir/Camerata Rehearsal 3:30-5pm**

December 4 - Middle School RoadShow Tour to EMS - Underground(PM) 12-1:15, leave at 11:20 (need 2 chaperones)

**December 5 - ALL CHOIR Winter Concert & Silent Auction 7pm**

December 6 - Band Craft Fair Carolers all day shifts available - donations accepted. In the past have caroled for 2 hour time slots. Do not need chaperones but will need an adult to collect \$ (at 11:30?). Will have students put together time slots.

December 6 - MetOpera Magic Flute at CinemaRio24 12-3pm(30select students) - need 2 chaperones

December 8 - Middle School RoadShow Tour to DRMS - Concert Choir (AM) chaperone - leave at 7:30am (walking up to the school. Need 2 chaperones.

December 8 - Winter Spirit Assembly - Singing "National Anthem" and "Carol of the Bells"

**December 9 - Concert Choir/Camerata Rehearsal 3:30-5pm PAC**

**December 10-Concert Choir & Camerata Orchestra Concert 7pm PAC**

December 11 - NM Phil Messiah Dress Rehearsal 7pm(Select Students)

December 11 - North Star ES Luminaria Night 6-7pm Underground/SS

December 12 - Giving Tree at the Cottonwood Mall 12-1pm -Underground students, leave at 11:15 am for warm up. Need 3 chaperones.

December 12 - NM Phil Messiah Concert 7:30pm (Select Students)

December 13 - NM Phil Messiah Concert 3pm (Select Students)

December 17-NM Philharmonic Home Alone Concert(optional)

Competitions-

- Underground/SS - Arizona - Boulder Creek February 22, Want to change to Valley Vista Monsoon Madness March 13th-15th
  - Talking with students about these date changes

- Underground - California - Burbank Blast March 6-7
- Concert Choir - Worldstrides Festival Concert Choir Trip San Antonio Mar. 19-22

- **President's Report - Allison Stevens**

- **Will send out an email re: chaperones, and also mention any interest in backdrop and costumes. Can look at folks who previously signed up. Can also ask if anyone has enclosed trailer.**
- **Will change dates for bus company for TX trip**
- Thank you Everyone for a GREAT Fall FEST! Costumes, backdrop, set up, selling t-shirts & tickets. Kids were helpful on Wednesday night.
- Great Fall Concert! Thank you Colleen for selling Choir T-shirts and getting gifts!
- Great job to everyone that helped during Choreo week in Oct and November! Thank you Heather and Lori for Sapphire Sounds and Jo and Colleen for coordinating food & snacks.
- Oct - Fall Sing it Dance it - thank you to everyone that volunteered for sign in & sign out, snacks, and goodie bags and the parent performance. Next year maybe can align Sing It Dance It with fall fest concert w/ Trunk or Treat and school haunted house? Get feedback from students about this option.
- Need help with Winter Concert/ Silent Auction (getting items and set up). Have decorations in back closet (wrapped boxes). 5pm set up. Have printouts for the auction sheet, will see if Maryellena can help. 15 donated would be ideal on top of the students baskets. Can think about ticket raffle.
- Ordering the sponsorship T-shirts - getting quote. Will talk w/ Tammy about numbers (students, boosters, Katherine). Need to get design from Bekah. Dan will touch base w/ Monish on tech shirts.
- Need invoice from Matt Villar.

- **Robed Choir - Natalie Eames**

- All Choir Winter Concert - Dec 5th: Set up at 5pm for auction. Theme is Frozen winter wonderland. Colors white, blue, wintery.
  - Decorations, Silent Auction, Sell Tickets (\$5 tickets)
    - Have copies for silent auction to distribute
    - All groups have decided what they are doing (x6 total). Need to figure out what tables will need to be set out to display silent auction items.
      - Underground: Frozen themes x2
      - Sapphire: movie inspired
      - Treble: toy inspired
      - Concert: box tower with ingredients and recipe cards x2
- Concert Choir & Camerata Orchestra Concert - Dec 10th
  - At LCHS
  - Do not need volunteers
- January 14-17 All State
  - Need volunteers/chaperones
- Texas Concert Choir Trip:
  - Changed the dates Mar. 19-22 coming back Sunday
  - Number of students going and paid? \$50 + \$300
    - 32 have committed and paid something
    - 15 from Treble choir would like to go
    - Still missing 2 students, should we contact the family?
  - Need to update final payment date: January 9th
  - Chaperones identified? Ann Aragon, Holly Johnson (and husband)

- Treble Choir - **Lori Sisson**
  - Texas Concert Choir Trip-info above
- Bear Wear - **OPEN**
  - Sell @ Winter concert
- Tech Crew - **Monish Ramnath / Dan Szenasi**
  - What is needed for the Backdrop
    - Sapphire Sound
    - Underground
  - Tech Crew needed for Winter Concert (**not** Concert Choir & Camerata Orchestra Concert ). Katherine will let tech students know they will be needed to help for sound/lighting. Seth will not be there. May need someone to help with tracks for 2nd half of show. Katherine will ask Michael to help?
  - Comp set is going well, overall plan is straightforward. Will discuss budget some more. Can we ask for donations from Lowes, Home Depot, True Value for some materials (wood, aluminum, etc.)? If a formal donation form is needed, can come up with generic form.
  - Need to get printing (APS may not be able to accommodate size), and work on structure prototypes.
  - We will be a little tight on time
  - SS backdrop will have a drape banner (painted?), tall poles, tri pod metal base. This will stand on top row, want to use lights (from fall fest).
- Treasurer's Report - **Tammy Brown**
  - Updates:
    - Booster Fees: going great for the most part. May email the family to remind of missed fee payments (\$125)
    - May need to cut things (food, etc.) if payments do not come through
    - Allison and Tammy will work on an email to remind families for fees to be paid
    - Sponsorships (\$13,000) UG: >\$10,000, Treble and Concert \$2,800.
    - Need to budget concert choir trip shirt
    - Trip Fees
      - Need to send revised email with trip cost / deadlines and hotels.
    - Direct Donation Drive- Go towards trip cost
      - Sept7th-22nd (Concert Choir) - \$1253.07
      - October 18th- Nov 1st (Show Choirs) : assuming \$3,000
- Secretary's Report - **Emilie Szenasi**
- Fundraising -**Marielena Quinlan**
  - **Trip costs for all choir fundraiser (will do these at different times, maybe show choir this month, concert choir in January, etc.) Candy bars: ordered 300 boxes and got these at \$34/box. Can return any unopened boxes with invoice due in 90 days. Got \$1 per bar box option. Date to start selling TBD.**
  - Concert Choir - TX trip Fundraising
    - Sell Candy in December - boxes delivered to sell before Thanksgiving break
    - Other ideas to lower trip costs?
  - Show Choir Trip Costs
    - StarrBrother / Caroling Dec 17th 5-9pm
    - Sell Candy in December - boxes delivered to sell before Thanksgiving break

- North Star ES Luminaria Night - Dec 11th 6-7
  - Show Choir
    - SIDI Performance: \$4,250
    - Fall FEST \$5.00 tickets - 23rd, 24th, 25th (\$3,800), \$100 bear ware, \$55 towards TX trip
    - Chello - Tuesday Nov 25th, will get the form filled out.
    - North Star ES Luminaria Night - Dec 11th 6-7
  - All Choir
    - Blaze Pizza : still waiting on date
    - Caroling - LCHS Band Craft Fair- Dec 6th
    - Winter Concert
      - Silent Auction - Themed Baskets - each choir creates one
  - Grants - NM Arts, Pepsi others??
    - Need volunteer to complete and submit
- Events - **Karina Bell**
  - Arizona Show Choir Trip (Sapphire Sound and Underground)
    - Bus is Booked - following up on new dates
    - Called other hotel with the new dates, have some to choose but the cost went up due to the timing (spring training and spring break) Best Western Plus Surprise: \$279/room, parent block is slightly more \$. 23 rooms, 12 parent block. Free breakfast, outdoor pool, close to facility. Can accommodate bus. Food options close by.
    - Want 4 chaperones: 1 male, 3 female (Allison). One on bus, one on van.
    - Benefits of chaperone will be clear cut on the front end.
    - Hoping to find enclosed trailer/UHaul to borrow.
    - Daniel will look into UHaul, Katherine will reach out to see if someone would be interested in driving box truck.
  - California Show Choir Trip
    - Bus is Booked
    - Hotel - Hilton Garden Inn Burbank
    - Have contract and parent block reserved (Thursday night thru Sunday night)
  - Chaperone expectations : 3 total (1 male?, 2 females: Karina and Allison)
- Volunteers - **Leah Hertenstein**
  - Any Sign ups?
- Underground Choir Representatives - **Colleen Ramnath, Jo Anderson**
  - January 22-24 - UND Choreo Weekend (Thurs 3:45pm-8pm, Fri 3:45pm-9pm, Sat 9am-5pm)
- Sapphire Sound - **Heather Newsome**
  - January 6-7 - Sapphire Sound Choreo Tuesday 3:45-8pm, Wednesday 3:45-9pm
- Costumes - **Leah Hertenstein**
  - Shoes are ordered for Underground - some didn't fit need to return and order new sizes
  - Susia met with the team for inspo storyboard and costume ideas for Underground @ Nov Choreo, Started ordering items. Need to set up some costume dates to try on and see what we need to add/order
  - Need to get an inspo storyboard from Micheal and Maya for Sapphire Sound.

- Need help w/ Comp costumes (Underground and Sapphire Sound) once we get items ordered and meet to put together.
- January goal: have costumes together for Jan intensive.
  
- New Business
  - No meeting in December
  - January Meeting is Tuesday, Jan 13th 6pm
  
- Dismissal
  - Motion: Allison
  - Second: Karina
  - Vote: all approved