

Chiltern Music Academy Student Council Meeting

24.11.17 at RGS, JB 3 4:45 pm

Minutes

1. Those present

Charlotte	Senior Orchestra, Intermediate Choir
Megan	Symphony Orchestra, String Orchestra, Strings Chamber, YC, SC, CC
Heidi	Recorders, Senior Orchestra, Intermediate Choir
Izzy	SymO, CB, Youth Choir, Show Choir, ww Chamber
Ben	SymO, Concert Band
Phoebe	CB, YC, SC, Senior Jazz band, Sax choir
Andrew	SymO, Concert Band, Clarinet Choir
William	YC, Chamber Choir, Show Choir
Becky	Concert Band, Symphony Orchestra, WW Chamber, YC, , SC, CC
Hugh	SymO, CB, Percussion Ensemble, Youth Choir, ChC
Tilly	Senior Orchestra, String Orchestra, String Chamber, YC
Anna	Senior Jazz Band, Junior Wind Band, YC, SC, Supersonic helper
Alastair	SymO, String Orchestra, Youth Choir, Show Choir
Harry	Concert Band, SymO, Youth Choir, Chamber Choir

2. Apologies for absence

Anna Foo - at Becky High Concert

3. Welcome to Student Council

Sally warmly welcomed all to the Student Council and expressed delight in so many staying on from last year.

4. Appointment of Student Officers

William, Phoebe, Becky and Megan and all stood for the posts of Chair and gave great speeches. All four were appointed to role of joint chair with secretarial and specific responsibilities and to be decided amongst themselves.

5. Thanks for Student Council Help Desk at Gala Concerts & review of suggestions given

Thanks to Tilly and Charlotte for running a stall at the Gala Concert and for getting lots of responses to their suggestion box.

The most supported suggestions were:

- Increasing the number of jazz bands/introducing a rock band in the future when there are the numbers to support it

- Junior social – Becky and Phoebe to talk to Helen Onions about making this a possibility in perhaps summer term on a Saturday (around May half term)

- Open morning and evening and/or induction day after audition results. This could just be an expansion of the Golden Ticket scheme but you not requiring an invite and it being open to anyone who is interested. This could happen once a term and with better advertising so it would make sure it was a success.

- Sally agreed to pass on these ideas to the Curriculum Committee for discussion.

6. Sticker designs for Schools' Proms

The second design looks the best with a bit of editing. Change in text colour and font, the logo doesn't need a white background. Keep the one photo as the background from the School's Proms, and make sure they aren't too big and will fit on flute cases. Hugh to liaise on this.

7. Dress code

For concerts with multiple groups playing, there should be a standard dress code to avoid the quick changes.

8. Review of ensembles represented

9. Tour Hoodies

Meg and Will to liaise with Alex on hoodie designs for the Senior Tour. Meg and Will to talk to groups about their preferences for design and colour. Music Centre used Fruit of the Loom and they were really good quality.

10. Gala Concerts

Could we have back the Swan Concert? We would like the junior and senior groups to combine as it is nice for the younger ones to see the older one. We would also really like a Musical Theatre evening where soloists, chamber choir, etc. sing whilst being accompanied by the orchestra.

11. Website

We would like our Student Council minutes to be on the website as in past years. Harry would like to relaunch the website, and so we suggested that he spoke to Alex about this. He would be able to create the online suggestion box, etc., that we would like. Sally said that the website was considered by many to be a superb on-line presence of CMA's activities and revising this would not be easy as there were many logistical restraints but would put forward ideas to Curriculum Committee.

12. Review of ensembles represented by Council

For all groups currently represented, please go back and get suggestions and give these to Becky in a fortnight. She will check that all ensembles have been representatives.

13. Date of next meeting

3rd week of the Spring term, and then 2nd week of the Summer term