

Hammond High School Music Boosters
1/6/22 Meeting

PRESENT AT MEETING: Stephen Dunlap, Elizabeth Reinhardt, Malcolm Washington, Paul Ijams, Laura Edwards, Tess Goldscher, Jennifer Wilder, Lavelle Brown-Condon, Laura Henson, Hillary Bierce

OPENING: Call to order at 7:30 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

REVIEW MINUTES: The minutes were read and approved. Mr. Dunlap moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Washington seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report will be submitted electronically.

BAND DIRECTOR'S REPORT: The winter concerts went well. The Savage Tree Lighting also went well. The goal is to regroup and make music as safety permits. The band will consider participating in the Marching Band Showcase for Wind Ensembles. This will be March 19th, safety permitting. The popcorn fundraiser did quite well for the first year.

ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR'S REPORT: The winter concert went well. Ms. Reinhardt is pleased with how orchestra is progressing this year. More information about assessments will be coming soon; things are changing at a fast pace, but she will update us as needed.

CHOIR DIRECTORS REPORT: The winter concert went well, and Mr. Washington was very pleased with their performance. The feeder festival will not be happening in January due to COVID conditions, however Mr. Washington has been joining Google Meets, etc. to talk about choir at Hammond.

WAYS AND MEANS: The Panda Express restaurant night is Jan. 26th. This is the Jessup location near Ollie's. Fliers will be sent out closer to the day.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: There are 47 members. There was a bump in membership immediately after the concert. Thanks to the directors for the mention.

NEW BUSINESS: Meetings will continue virtually until further notice.

Winter Chocolate Sales: There is some concern that this may not be the right time to hold this fundraiser. This will be postponed until the spring; we will reassess later in the school year.

A Little Night Music: There is concern that it may not be the best time to do a traditional Little Night Music format. One suggestion is to do it as an outside event. The tentative date is April 23rd; although there is some flexibility. There was a suggestion about holding it at a Centennial pavilion. Several options for outdoor venues will be researched; Kings Contrivance Village Center was one idea considering our relationship with Kimco; Dickinson Park, Savage Park, etc. are other options. Ms. Edwards offered to look into these options. Holding it on the school grounds would also be an option. Having a concert without offering food was suggested; another option is offering small snacks only. The goal is to find a venue for attendance to be 125+.

ACTION ITEM: Ms. Edwards and Ms. Goldscher will research possible venues for the event.

OLD BUSINESS: The popcorn fundraiser was a success. We sold \$10,122 of popcorn; Hammond earned over \$5000. We had approximately 45 participants. This will be done again next year. Ms. Brown-Condon will contact Ms. Jones about the student account amounts in addition to looking at the sales leaderboards to update the student totals.

CLOSE MEETING: Motion to adjourn made by Laura Henson; Ms. Goldscher seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hillary Bierce
Secretary, Hammond Music Boosters