

Hammond High School Music Boosters
2/3/22 Meeting

PRESENT AT MEETING: Stephen Dunlap, Malcolm Washington, Elizabeth Reinhardt, Laura Edwards, Jen Wilder, Paul Ijams, Jen Ward, Rebecca Cosgrove, Hillary Bierce, and Laura Henson

OPENING: Call to order at 7:05 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: Elizabeth Jones was not available for tonight's meeting.

BAND DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mr. Dunlap expressed condolences for the recent death of a percussion ensemble student. Ms. Ward will be coordinating a collection for flowers for the service. The band assessments will be done on March 11th beginning at 3:30 p.m. The format has changed; the judges will travel to each school and be conducted as a master class. Guests may attend. The Music for All Festival is the following weekend on March 19th from approximately 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.; it is a marching band showcase. Jazz Band continues to rehearse but no scheduled performances besides A Little Night Music. They may participate in Jazz in the Parks.

ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Ms. Reinhardt reported that there is no current plan for a music trip this year. The proposed trip to New York City was not approved due to the trip return time after 11:00 p.m. The orchestra assessment is March 17th from 3:00 - 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

CHOIR DIRECTORS REPORT: Mr. Washington reported that assessments are on March 22nd from 3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. The Chamber Choir will attend the HCC Master Class on Tuesday Feb. 15th from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Treble Choir festival will be April 20th at Centennial High School. The Choir Feeder Festival was canceled, so Mr. Washington invited the schools who would have attended to the Pops Concert on May 12th; Thomas Viaduct will be attending.

WAYS AND MEANS: The Panda Express restaurant night was last week. No updates on the amount earned.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: No changes.

NEW BUSINESS: The Awards Banquet format will be determined closer to the day. The scholarships committee needs a new chair; Laura Henson and Colin Ward volunteered to help this year. Paul Ijams will send out a request for volunteers for the committee. Next year, the Band Boosters will need new leadership as there are several parents of seniors currently on the Board/members. The vacant positions will be President, Treasurer, Membership Chair (possibly), among possibly others. Summer camps options are being discussed; the renovations to the school and school calendar adjustments are limiting their date choices. Next year, there will only be one music room available, and the auditorium will be under construction.

ACTION ITEMS: Paul Ijams to send the directors the official list of upcoming Music Booster leadership vacancies.

OLD BUSINESS: Winter chocolate sales will be tabled and will not be done this year. A Little Night Music options were presented. Ms. Wilder and Ms. Edwards are heading this event. Ms. Wilder contacted the Columbia SportsPark; they may be able to host the event for free. The SportsPark suggested we bring in some food trucks as part of the fundraiser. The venue can hold several hundred attendees and there is a pavilion in the event of rain. The jazz ensemble and other smaller ensembles will play. We need to begin looking into getting donations for the auction. Backup options are Lake Elkhorn's pavilion and the Centennial pavilion. Centennial's pavilion can hold 150 people in the event of rain but may be pricey to rent. The final disposition of the old band uniforms is still being determined. Ms. Cosgrove will come into the school later this year to help collect the old uniforms and take them to the cleaners.

DECIDED: Due to cost, the SportsPark is the preferred location for A Little Night Music.

CLOSE MEETING: Ms. Henson moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Cosgrove seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hillary Bierce
Secretary, Hammond Music Boosters