

Hammond High School Music Boosters
11/7/19 Meeting

PRESENT AT MEETING: Hillary Bierce, Paul Ijams, Stephen Dunlap, Elizabeth Reinhardt, Jen Ward, Malcolm Washington, Renee Cooper, 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; Jen Ward seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Membership income and donations total \$260. Membership is \$1335.95; the budget is \$1400. The students made \$3624.08 on chocolate and the Music Boosters made \$3673.50. There were two service fees from the bank due to the large amount of cash that was deposited.

Expenses included the senior night flowers that were purchased. There was an expense for the Marching Band Showcase (the event was cancelled). The marching band drill payment was made. Income included the Haunted House that made \$1483. Two restaurant nights were held: \$114 from Mod Pizza; \$113.82 from Chipotle. There was a donation made for \$150; a thank you card will be sent.

Student accounts have been updated with the chocolate totals. The directors will update the student roster with grade levels. The students that have graduated will be moved to a new tab on the spreadsheet.

We have approximately \$45,000 balance between the two accounts.

There should be enough money in the budget to pay for food at the choir feeder festival.

BAND DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Everyone was disappointed that the Marching Band Showcase was cancelled but next year there will be a rain date prescheduled. Maryland Winds are performing on 11/19/19; rehearsals are on Sunday night and Monday night. Tickets are \$15 for adults. The Wind Ensemble will be performing with Maryland Winds on Tuesday night. The winter concerts are 12/05/19 and 12/10/19. Spiritwear was distributed; the directors will look for another company to use next year. The items did not ship in a timely manner, some were not shipped at all, and some items were incorrect. The band will be performing at the tree lighting in Savage on 12/7/19 at 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. The older PVMS will be included in the event as well.

ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR'S REPORT: The feeder festival is next week on Thursday; 50 students are confirmed. There will be about 90 people total that need to be fed. There are enough volunteers to help but she still needs some desserts donated. Jen Ward is contacting Chick-fil-A about getting the sandwiches; it is the same night as Music Booster spirit night at the restaurant. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. A sign-up genius has been distributed. The spring trip information was sent home with the students. It is due next week. Chaperone sign up will be in December; usually they need approximately 14 people.

CHOIR DIRECTORS REPORT: Things are going well in choir. Chamber choir will be the opening choir for the Dec. 14th concert of the Thomas Calmus Ensemble at HCC. The feeder festival is 1/9/20.

WAYS AND MEANS: The next restaurant night is 11/14/19 at Chick-fil-A. Mr. Dunlap will discuss the option for staff meals from Chick-fil-A for lunch with the staff.

The Haunted House went well. The teardown went quickly and the students were very helpful.

The poinsettia sales are extremely slow. We are not close to reaching our sales target. A suggestion was made to try selling them at an event if we do it next year, do a different fundraiser, or do a spring fundraiser. A note was made about a spring fundraiser that the funds will not be available to go towards the cost of the spring trip. We have 5 orders for poinsettias on Paypal.

A Little Night Music is scheduled for March 28, 2020.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: No report.

NEW BUSINESS: Paul Ijams reported that he went to HCPSM; they are collecting used instruments as part of Project Echo. The donated instruments are repaired for free by Music and Arts. He will find out how the music directors can get the repaired donated instruments. There has been no update from the Boosters about their \$2000 donation offer. Another initiative HCPSM is conducting is called Music for Good. It will be students who go out to locations (nursing homes, etc.) and play music. It will be rolled out after the Solo & Ensemble Festival.

ACTION ITEM: Mr. Dunlap will reach out to the Boosters to find out about the donated money.

BUDGET: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: No report.

CLOSE MEETING: Mr. Dunlap moved to adjourn the meeting. Laura Henson seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m. The next meeting is on 12/12/19.

Respectfully submitted,

Hillary Bierce
Secretary, Hammond Music Boosters