

Hammond High School Music Boosters
3.05.24 Meeting Minutes

PRESENT AT MEETING: Stephen Dunlap, Rachel Smith, Elizabeth Reinhardt, Malcom Washington, Gordon Alston, Doug Paul, Jen Renekevans, Chritine Dietrich; Archana Neidermyer

OPENING: Call to order at 7:03 p.m.

REVIEW MINUTES: Gordon Alston moved to approve the February meeting minutes; Stephen Dunlap seconded the motion; motion carries with unanimous vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Alston reported that the checking account ended the month with a balance of \$6,091.23. The reserve fund ended with a balance of \$8,108.09. The Student Balance account ended the month with a balance of \$2,837.14. CD account balance is \$10,081.35. Student balance still needs to be updated with the Popcorn sales numbers.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: No new members joined in the past month.

BAND DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mr. Dunlap reported that the Band is doing well. This is a busy period, starting with the hosting of the Middle School Band Assessment tomorrow. Hammond High Band Assessment will be next Thursday, for which the band has been preparing with recent guest conductors.

ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mrs. Reinhardt reported that the Orchestra is eagerly preparing for assessments which be held at Marriotts Ridge on Tuesday, March 19. Hammond will perform at 2:30 and 5:30. The spring trip is approved and has 10-15 available spots. Currently, we are looking for more chaperones (2 male and 3 women). Student account balances (for those who asked to use their funds) will be applied. An information packet including a health form, will be sent home this week with students as will rooming lists.

CHOIR DIRECTORS REPORT: Mr. Washington reported that the Choirs are hard at work preparing for their Choral assessment including an after-school rehearsal next week and working with a guest clinician. Assessment will be held on March 18 at River Hill, time TBD. They are preparing a sign-up list for Tri-M volunteers for A Little Night of Music.

OLD BUSINESS:

Restaurant Nights – Upcoming schedule: April 2 – Chick-fil-A; May 2 – Crazy Mason.

Middle School Band Assessments – Hammond High is hosting on March 6. Boosters will be selling concessions throughout the evening. We could still use a couple more volunteers.

A Little Night of Music – Event will be held Saturday, April 6 from 6pm – 8pm

Update on food – Mrs. Dietrich: Supplies are purchased. Have coordinated with Tino's to confirm. Final numbers are due to Tino's by March 29.

Update on decorations – Mrs. Neidermyer, Mrs. Renkevans: We have a variety of decorations to reuse from last year and have a list of items needed to purchase this year. We will be able to do partial set-up and preparation after school on Friday.

Update on auction – Mr. Alston: We have reached out to the same vendors and companies from last year. Giant and Trader Joes have already responded. We should start hearing soon from other

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vendors. Additional items are being donated by families and friends. Each ensemble will also pull together a basket.

Update on Tickets – Mr. Dunlap: Will work on the tickets and on-line payment process on Thursday.

Update on Flyer – Mr. Washington: Will update flyer once payment link is ready.

Update on Website & social media – Mr. Paul: Doug will post a Save the Date tonight and will send out an update with payment link later in the week. We plan to highlight donors throughout our promotions.

Booster Gala Basket – Mr. Dunlap is working on the preparation of a basket. Kara Keister is coordinating the baskets for The Golden Bear Fair (new name for the Booster Gala). Baskets/Items due Monday, March 11th.

Scholarship Committee - We are still looking for a committee chair and at least 3 evaluators. The activities for the scholarship committee include: update application forms; distribute application forms; evaluate scholarship candidates and select scholarship winners at least a few days before awards night.

24/25 Board Members –

President – Open. We are looking for volunteers willing to serve as president next year.

Vice President – Rachel Smith

Treasurer – Gordon Alston

Secretary – Open. We are looking for volunteers willing to serve as secretary next year.

Doug will put out a “call for volunteers” on social media throughout the month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Awards Night – Directors will finalize coordination of date in the middle of May. We will want to reach out for volunteers. Plan, like last year, will be to serve desserts.

Hammond Boosters Budget for music - Hammond Boosters have a line item in this year's budget for the music program. There is not a specified amount, but it looks like we would be able to get around \$2,000 if we needed it. Directors will reach out to the Boosters to discuss some current needs.

NEXT MEETING: Tentative plans for Thursday, April 4 at 7pm.

CLOSE MEETING: The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas Paul

Secretary, Hammond Music Boosters