

**Hammond High School Music Boosters**  
**1/12/23 Meeting**

**PRESENT AT MEETING:** Stephen Dunlap, Malcolm Washington, Elizabeth Reinhardt, Ron Vance, Jen Ward, Hillary Bierce, Rachel Smith, Brook Walton, Jennifer Walton, Annika Vallurupali, and Shannon Franks.

**OPENING:** Call to order at 7:04 p.m.

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

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Elizabeth Jones shared her report prior to the meeting. Expenses for the Big Bear Band were paid and marching band drills. There were questions about reconciling the student accounts and will be addressed once Ms. Jones returns. In general, leaf raking funds will be divided amongst the participants' student accounts. Colleen Hager has the list for the leaf raking; Ms. Jones has the list for popcorn. Popcorn and chocolate monies will be added when those funds are received. Funds for popcorn and chocolate are also split between the Boosters and student accounts. Each student received approximately \$40 toward their spring trip expenses.

**BAND DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Mr. Dunlap noted that the new band room is complete. The winter concerts went well as well as a winter assembly. The assessment date for wind ensemble is March 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.; concert band performs on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>

**ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Ms. Reinhardt reported that the orchestra winter concert went well. Their assessments are March 14<sup>th</sup> at Marriott's Ridge with performances at 3:00 p.m. and at 5:00 p.m.

**CHOIR DIRECTORS REPORT:** Mr. Washington reported that their winter concert went well at Reservoir High School. Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> is the county Treble Choir Festival. On Feb 14<sup>th</sup>, the choir will attend a master class. The choir's assessment date is March 21<sup>st</sup>; Treble Choir performs at 2:55 p.m., Chamber Choir performs at 3:55 p.m., and Concert Choir performs at 4:55 p.m. at River Hill High School.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** No changes.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Music Trip: The final payment is due February 9<sup>th</sup>. There was one transfer of student account money; there will be one more after winter chocolate sales conclude. All of the student account monies should be applied prior to February 9<sup>th</sup>. The final trip price is \$1335 per student secondary to flight costs. Everyone is booked on two flights. Families will fly together. Roommate requests are being taken now and up until next Friday. A presentation on April 11<sup>th</sup> will be made for participating students and families prior to the trip to review hotel accommodations, expectations, etc. There will be a chaperone presentation just prior to the student/family presentation. There is no trip shirt.

Fundraisers: No new information on popcorn aside from total sales were \$10,962. One half will go to the Boosters and the balance will go to students. The chocolate fundraiser is going on now. Participation is light.

Restaurant Nights: The checks from Crazy Mason (\$180) and Chick-fil-A (\$149.63) were received. Chipotle's restaurant night is on Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>. There is no restaurant night yet scheduled for February. The 5 Below fundraiser application has not received adequate response from the business and will not be pursued. Ms. Franks will consider scheduling an additional Chick-fil-A restaurant night. Checks for Crazy Mason and Chick-fil-A were given to Mr. Vance for deposit.

Talent Show: This event was canceled due to low participation.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A Little Night Music: This is currently scheduled for March 25<sup>th</sup>. The Booster Gala is the night before and a Robotics competition is also that weekend. Alternate dates will be considered. A volunteer needs to step forward to lead this event. Prior caterers included Three Brothers and Tino's. It will be held in the cafeteria which has already been reserved for the March date. Mr. Walton, Ms. Franks, and Ms. Vallurupalli volunteered to join the committee; Mr. Vance will send an email to recruit additional volunteers. Students will get volunteer hours for helping in any role at this event.

**CLOSE MEETING:** Mr Walton moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Dunlap seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hillary Bierce  
Secretary, Hammond Music Boosters