

Hammond High School Music Boosters
10/1/20 Meeting

PRESENT AT MEETING: Hillary Bierce, Paul Ijams, Stephanie Porter, Carolyn Barry, Corrine Edwards, Elizabeth Reinhardt, Laura Edwards, Laura Henson, Malcolm Washington, Stephan Dunlap, Tessa Goldscher.

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

INTRODUCTIONS

REVIEW MINUTES: The minutes were read and approved. Tessa Goldscher moved to approve the minutes; Laura Henson seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The budget in May was \$14,100 was reduced greatly. Income this year will come from the November gift card fundraiser, A Little Night Music, restaurant nights, and membership dues. The new budget for this year \$4150. The expenses were reduced; accompanists, percussion instructors, marching band visual drill, and few other items will keep our expenses at \$3865.

BAND DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Student engagement has been impressive this year. The marching band rehearsals have gone well. The first videos for the compilation will be submitted soon. There are All-State auditions virtually; information will be sent out soon.

ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Orchestra is going well. Everyone is learning the new technology and kinks are being ironed out.

CHOIR DIRECTORS REPORT: Choir is going well. Choir has an Instagram page and student performances will be posted there. Find choir on Instagram at Hahs_choirs. Mr. Washington is going to create a virtual ensemble as well; he is in the process of collecting videos.

WAYS AND MEANS: The Haunted House has been canceled for this year.

Chocolate boxes are still for sale; we still have several left for \$45.

Stephanie Porter and Corinne Edwards are leading the gift card fundraiser. That should kick off next week. The gift cards are purchased on the fundraiser website.

Restaurant Nights: Cindy Goode scheduled our next on for 10/20/20 at Chipotle in Fulton from 4-8p.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: There have been 11 people sign up via the website. Tessa Goldscher and Paul Ijams will work on updating the email list and send an updated request for membership. The directors will continue to support membership efforts and will send an email reminder (Mr. Washington sent one today). Stephanie Porter suggested that we create a flier that may help clear up confusion about the number of booster organizations at Hammond. All families in the music department are Music Boosters, but we suggest they join with a financial membership. Mr. Washington suggested the flier be pushed on social media as well as email.

ACTION ITEM: Tessa Goldscher will make a flier.

NEW BUSINESS: There was discussion of the purchase of a new computer to create video performances using the money that was gifted from the Hammond Boosters. The directors would like to use about \$1200-1500 on the computer. Having a professional to create the videos would cost about \$500 each; having the technology in house would be more cost effective in the long run. This purchase was approved and will go forward.

Laura Henson mentioned that she reached out the Hammond Boosters about setting up online spiritwear and membership sales. Mr. Dunlap agreed that there is still an opportunity to sell spiritwear this year. There are car magnets, shirts and socks available for sale. Laura Edwards offered to assist as well.

BUDGET: As reported in the Treasurer report.

OLD BUSINESS: None reported.

CLOSE MEETING: Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The next Music Boosters meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Paul will send an email with the link just prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Hillary Bierce
Secretary, Hammond Music Boosters