**Hammond High School Music Boosters**

**12/13/18 Meeting**

**PRESENT AT MEETING:** Jen Larsson, Hillary Bierce, Paul Ijams, Stephen Dunlap, Elizabeth Reinhardt, Malcolm Washington, Charmian Mohammed, Cindy Good, Wilawan Wattanarungsikajorn, and Renee Cooper.

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

**INTRODUCTIONS**

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

**TREASURER’S REPORT**: The treasurer’s report was submitted via email and is summarized here.

Income:

Fall chocolate fundraiser final deposit—the final income for Boosters was $3780.75 (budget was $4000) and $3606.74 went to student accounts.

Membership dues--$208.91

Pie Fundraiser deposits—the final income for Boosters was $782.58 (budget was $1400) and $890.85 went to student accounts.

Restaurant nights--Ledo's restaurant night made $120 and Chipotle made $643.75.

Membership--$20

Other income--$145

Expenses:

Expenses included marching band senior night flowers ($198.98), pie vendor payment ($4313.40), the pie fundraiser pizza party ($151.31), and the orchestra feeder festival ($286.51).

Checks to RMS Visual Designs, Long Reach HS, and Wilde Lake HS for the MB Showcase have not cleared.

ACTION ITEM: Mr. Dunlap will confirm that Showcase checks were received by other schools.

**BAND DIRECTOR’S REPORT:** The tree lighting and winter concerts went well. Music for the spring has been distributed. The Jazz Band has a performance on 1/18/19 Towson University Jazz Festival. Seven Hammond students are participating in the Honor Band and the Spring Trip chaperone interest forms were distributed.

**ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR’S REPORT:** The Feeder Festival went really well.The winter concert also went well. The first trip payment was due last Friday. Chaperone interest form turnaround is quick because rooming lists are due by the end of January. Notifications should go out to chaperones by the end of winter break. There are currently 14 responses; male chaperones are encouraged to volunteer (they need 6-8).

**CHOIR DIRECTORS REPORT**: The winter concert went very well; A Capella debuted. Three students were accepted into All-State Choir. The Choir Feeder Festival is 1/8/19. Treble Choir Festival is during school hours on 1/10/19.

**WAYS AND MEANS:** Restaurant Nights—Chick-fil-A night is today. Panera is in January, 1/14/19 (date to be confirmed); we get 10% of total sales for the day. Craven may be in February--TBD. March will be the next Chick-fil-A date.

January Chocolate—the chocolate has been ordered and permission slips will be coming soon. It should be distributed on 1/2/19.

A Little Night Music is the last fundraiser of the year and is on March 30th. Jen Larsson would like to see corporate sponsorships to help raise money. Mrs. Larsson has had people volunteer to call businesses.

Ideas included:

--Having tiered sponsor levels to include just tables or the whole event

--Centerpieces identifying who sponsored which table and a banner identifying sponsors --Baskets/gifts donations that could be used for a silent auction; Mr. Dunlap suggested a trumpet and a decorated violin for the auction

--Make the auction online

--Chocolate was raffled last year; this may be available again for a basket this year.

--Gift cards or sponsorships from local music stores; Music and Arts should be approached

--Include more performing groups.

Tickets will be $25. There are 6 people at a table. A table sponsorship would be $100 and $250 to sponsor the event. There will be approximately 20-30 tables. There will be VIP tables (nicer tablecloth and real flowers as well as primary seating) and is $50 per person. Expected attendance is 150-160 people. Donations are accepted at the event via the tip jars on each table. If stores offer a gift card, etc., then it will be determined later how those items will be handled. We will ask for a sponsorship first from businesses and then any other type of donation would be gladly accepted. Three Brothers will be used again. A student will act as host. Seating will be first-come, first-served except for VIP tables. Suggested format is dinner (Jazz Band), a break, then small groups, choir, and orchestra. Most of the supplies were purchased last year.

ACTION ITEM: Mrs. Larsson will contact volunteers to make calls to local businesses.

ACTION ITEM: Mrs. Reinhardt will reserve kitchen along with the cafeteria.

ACTION ITEM: Mr. Dunlap will ask Mr. Lerner how much each whole is sponsored for at the golf tournament.

Pies—Renee Cooper would like us to consider a different vendor for next year. Some items this year were damaged. It was not easy to correct the problems with damaged items or wrong items, etc. with this vendor. Mrs. Reinhardt suggested Claire’s Gourmet. They are a local company and will come to the school and provide samples.

Poinsettias—initial inquiries revealed that this was probably not a good year to do this fundraiser but may be a good idea for next year.

Future fundraising suggestion—set a date where people could rent a booth and sell their product.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** We are up to 79 total; this is up 11 members from last year. We have collected $1535 for membership, $917 in donations, and $1717 in fees. The total is $2459.83.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The Howard County Parents for School Music meeting is the same night as the Choir Feeder festival.

**BUDGET:** no new report

**OLD BUSINESS:** none reported

**CLOSE MEETING:** Mr. Dunlap moved to adjourn the meeting. Cindy Good seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Hillary Bierce

Secretary, Hammond Music Boosters