

Hammond High School Music Boosters
6/3/21 Meeting

PRESENT AT MEETING: Hillary Bierce, Paul Ijams, Stephen Dunlap, Malcolm Washington, Laura Henson, Jen Ward, Elizabeth Reinhardt, Stephanie Porter, and Corinne Edwards.

OPENING: Call to order at 7:34 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

REVIEW MINUTES: Laura Henson moved to approve the minutes and Mr. Dunlap seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Checks deposited included Amazon Smile and one restaurant night. The checking account total is \$23,562.07, and the savings account total is \$21,091.04.

BAND DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Congratulations to all of the students for the virtual concert last week. The concert is still up on YouTube for anyone who could not view it yet. Marching Band rehearsal will be next Thursday, and there will be an in-person option on the field. The show for next year will be announced tomorrow in class, as well as the new uniform announcement. Mr. Dunlap will be sending Ms. Porter requests for payment next week to wrap up outstanding payments due.

ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Thanks to everyone who joined the concert last week "live". The orchestra had a lot of fun putting the concert together.

CHOIR DIRECTORS REPORT: Thanks to everyone who watched the concert. There will be a pre-recorded choir performance. Thanks for a great year.

WAYS AND MEANS: Ms. Goode is still putting together a Ledo's pizza night for June. Mr. Ijams will send out the information as soon as he has the info.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: No updates.

NEW BUSINESS: A Back to School picnic needs to be considered. The directors would like to try to hold this event in the fall, if possible. Ms. Ward and Ms. Edwards will work together to coordinate this. The suggested date is August 27th. Ms. Ward will check with the SportsPark's availability.

Car Wash is September 18th. The proposed time is 10a-4p. It will be held at the Savage Exxon. Mr. Ijams will confirm timing with Exxon closer to the date.

There is no confirmation on a band trip for next year, but the directors are looking into options.

Elections for the Board of Directors are due. The term limits are due for Mr. Ijams, Ms. Henson, and Ms. Bierce. A quorum of members present voted to continue terms of all three candidates. There is no Treasurer candidate at this time. The directors will reach out to parents to recruit a Treasurer.

The vote was held to elect the Board of Directors. The vote was unanimous for continuing the following positions:

Secretary: Hillary Bierce

President: Paul Ijams

Vice President: Laura Henson

It was noted that it is difficult right now to recruit volunteers. Ms. Ward suggested splitting the Treasurer job so that student tracking was tasked to another volunteer. It was agreed this is a good idea and should be pursued. Ms. Ward and Ms. Porter will write up a job description that Mr. Ijams can share to potential volunteers.

Ms. Henson questioned if fundraisers going forward should be virtual or in-person. It was agreed that we should research options so that we are prepared once we get the go-ahead for in-person events. Ms. Henson will reach out to the coffee fundraiser organizers and get details for a fall fundraiser.

Chocolate will be sold again this fall. The directors have been working with Samantha Neuman to order chocolate. They ordered half of the boxes of chocolate than what they normally would order. There are tentative dates set for the beginning of the school year.

Ms. Ward suggested that we need to do a membership drive. This will help with the budget and also participation in events. Mr. Dunlap is crafting an email to freshman families and he will add information about the Music Boosters. Mr. Washington suggested that we develop a QR code that links back to the membership page to make it easier for people to join. This could be put at the end of emails, on concert programs, etc. We will push for 100 members to register for next year. It was also suggested that we have a representative at Back-to-School night to present our information and outline the differences between the Boosters and Music Boosters.

ACTION ITEM: Ms. Ward will contact the SportsPark for availability for the Back to School picnic on August 27th.

ACTION ITEM: Ms. Ward and Ms. Porter will create a Treasurer job description.

ACTION ITEM: Ms. Henson will contact the coordinators of the coffee fundraiser.

BUDGET: A summer budget meeting will be scheduled for the summer.

OLD BUSINESS: No updates

The next meet will be held after school begins in August; September 2nd was suggested. Mr. Ijams will determine the final date and notify the Music Boosters.

CLOSE MEETING: Laura moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Reinhardt seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Hillary Bierce

Secretary, Hammond Music Boosters