

# **RHAM MS / HS Music Booster Meeting Minutes**

April 9, 2019

**Meeting Called to order:** 7:03 PM by Amy Consadene

**In Attendance:** Amy Consadene, Jennichelle Oatman, Julie Leahy, Nick Kokus, Kerrie Verrastro, Heidi Nilsson, Alissa Bahamonde, Bailey McKiernan, Robin Lane, Shannon Smith, Tammy Stolzman, Eric Nunes, Brenda Bula, Lisa Seethaler

## **Secretary's Report:**

-It was noted that in the March minutes, Bailey McKiernan was referred to by her maiden surname instead of her marital surname and listed twice in Attendance section. Also the adjournment time was left out. Meeting ended sometime after 8:00 PM but exact time not logged.

-Motion made by Bailey M. to accept March Booster meeting minutes; motion seconded by Lisa S.; all approved; motion passed.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

- Highlights: Music Boosters continues to be very financially stable, with approx. \$30,000.00 in its bank account.

- Motion made by Nick K. to approve the Treasurer's Report; seconded by Amy C; all approved; motion passed.

## **Nick Kokus: HS Band**

-Band students have lots of activities occurring, including the Spring Concert, which was a performance success as well as a financial one.

- The band performance for our 3 visiting local elementary schools went smoothly.

- NYC trip to see *Wicked* on Broadway was a success overall.

-All Eastern Festival: Band students Aaron and Nick participated in it and will attend next month's Booster meeting to share info about the experience. Very positive experience for the two musicians.

- Eight students participating in All State Festival. There is also the upcoming All Town Jazz Festival and Waterford Festival which students will participate in.

-Nick K. noted that there are still volunteers needed for marching in the Memorial Day parade.

## **Kerrie Verrastro: MS band**

-The CMEA festival “was great”; kids were well-prepared. The Jazz Band received a standing ovation!

-Ben Toth gave the final staff teaching clinic of this academic year; he spoke about percussion – storage, rudimentary info.

-The Coffee House ran smoothly; Students were also able to perform at Colbrook Village and Marlborough Health Center and provide some musical entertainment to residents.

-Students to participate in Middle School Festival in Enfield.

-A request was made for Coffee House supply reimbursement.

-May 9<sup>th</sup> is the Middle School concert, and help is needed with concessions, ticket sales, and clean up.

### **Bailey: MS and HS Choruses**

-Middle school Coffee House was a great success and included 3 original compositions by students!

-During the *Wicked* field trip, the workshop for students was on acting instead of music; disappointment to many who participated.

-The sale of choir jackets for students to purchase will not happen this year as was tentatively planned.

-LoKey group would like t-shirts. A motion was made by Amy and seconded by Lisa to approve \$120 for purchase of shirts.

-Evening of the Arts t-shirts: Freshman Students can purchase a shirt for \$5, other grades can purchase for \$10 or wear a t-shirt from a previous EOA. A motion was made by Amy and seconded by Jenichelle to subsidize the freshman t-shirts with \$260. All approved and motion passed.

-Student Activity Fund in HS is low. Funds are used for helping with student registration fees, accompanist payments, etc. for Chorus, Band and Music Tech. A motion was made by Lisa to approve \$600 for SAFD for start of next school year; Amy seconded; motion passed.

### **Eric Nunes: Music Technology**

-As reported previously, RHAM received the Best Communities award once again for the third year in a row; Mr. Deliman is going to create a banner (which will hang in the Chorus Room when not in use at an event) that will announce RHAM Music Dept.’s status as 1 of 19 schools to be awarded this distinction. A motion was made by Alissa and seconded by Jenichelle to provide \$105 for printing of the banner. All approved and Motion passed.

-Kevin will get milkshake supplies ready for transfer to Sports Booster and Lisa will transport from one place to another.

**Old Business:**

-Discussion about the need for volunteers to fill Executive Board positions next year.

**New Business:**

- Idea proposed to have students raise money for SAF.

**Next meeting Tuesday May 14, 2019 in the Music Technology Room – first floor, RHAM HS, Music/Art wing.**

Motion made by Lisa and seconded by Alissa to adjourn at 8:17 PM. All in favor; Motion passed.