

RHAM MS / HS Music Booster Meeting Minutes

December 5, 2018

Meeting Called to order: 7:00 PM by Kevin Williams

In Attendance: Kevin Williams, Alissa Bahamonde, Lisa Seethaler, Amy Consadene, Jennichelle Oatman, Shannon Smith, Bailey McKiernan, Eric Nunes, Tammy Stolzman, Julie Leahy, Robin Constable, Nick Kokus

Secretary's Report:

-Motion made by Shannon to accept minutes; motion seconded by Amy; motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

-Treasurer's report reviewed. Booster Club continues to be in very stable financial shape. Lisa made a motion to accept Treasurer's report, seconded by Amy; motion passed unanimously.

Nick Kokus: HS Band

-Jazz band to receive approx. \$400 for their fundraiser performance.

-A request made for a visiting clinician to teach band members new skills. A motion made by Lisa to provide up to \$1400 to pay musician. Seconded by Jenichelle. Motion passed unanimously. We will receive update after the visit.

- Boosters will help defray registration cost for the All Eastern Honor Ensemble students to travel to PA. Cost is \$595 each for two students.

-Pep Band used hand warmers for an outdoor game; Boosters reimbursed Mr. Kokus the \$30.

Kerrie Verrastro: MS band

- Happy Birthday fundraiser for middle school band underway; any member of MS community can request a "Happy Birthday" instrumental serenade for another within the RHAM community at \$5 per serenade.

- Curt Blood from HSO will visit RHAM and regional Band Directors/Instructors and provide an in-service on teaching methods on December 20. Details will be provided at next meeting.

Bailey: MS and HS Choruses

-Twenty-one students from HS are participating in ERMF at UConn on January 5.

- Encore will be visiting local elementary schools, a nursing home, and a senior center to spread some holiday cheer through their music week before break.

- Vintage Mix choral group will give an instructional visit to MS groups Low Key and Foot Notes choral students. Vintage Mix won an international competition.

- Some MS and HS chorus students expressed interest in purchasing jackets. They are \$40 each and optional. Boosters will help defray cost. Motion made by Amy to provide up to \$400 for cost of jackets; Kevin seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Eric Nunes: Music Technology

-Tri-M students are meeting monthly and keeping track of their service hours.

- Staff from another CT HS will visit our Music Tech Lab on January 9th to learn more about the systems Mr. Nunes uses for his curriculum.

Old Business:

- \$25000 worth of SCRIP cards were sold! As Shannon will be ending her term in Boosters at the end of this academic year, a volunteer will be needed to learn the process for this fundraiser. 21 baskets are going to be donated for the Winter Concert fundraiser, and a volunteer will be needed to replace Shannon for this event as well.

- Booster website/domain registration has been renewed for another year.

-CVS grant was acknowledged to corporate office by Kevin Williams as per their request.

-Techsoup.org is a 501c3 that may be able to sell Quick Books software to us at a discount. To be determined in near future.

New Business:

-A parent of 7th and 9th grade band students passed away; to lend Music Dept. and Booster Club support during this time, a motion was made by Shannon to give \$75 and a poinsettia plant to family; Sports Booster Club will match the monetary donation as a gesture of united concern and care for students and mother. Seconded by Amy, passed unanimously.

Next meeting Wednesday January 8, 2019 in the Music Technology Room – first floor, RHAM HS, Music/Art wing.

Motion made by Amy with a second by Alissa to adjourn meeting at 8:15 PM. Motion passed.