

RHAM MS / HS Music Booster Meeting Minutes
January 2018

In attendance were Kevin Williams, Amy Consadene, Eric Nunes, Bailey Emerson, Nick Kokus, Kerrie Verrastro, Kirsten Erlandson, Jennichele Oatman, Shannon Smith, Jen Golden, Alissa Bahamonde and Fiona Golemba.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM

Nick Kokus made a motion to approve the Secretary's report as posted. Second by Alissa Bahamonde. Motion approved unanimously.

Director Updates

Bailey Emerson

- Orders for the Munson Chocolate fundraiser closed today. There will still be some straggling paperwork tomorrow. Large sales will mean some large sorting next month.
- Ensembles did not perform at Hebron Hometown Holiday Fair due to weather, but did perform for local senior and disability centers as well as elementary schools.
- The High School Winter Concert went well
- Eastern Region High School Festival - event was postponed by one week due to weather. Concert moved to noon. Event went very well given all the changes.
- Chamber Concert - This is a grade 7 through 12 concert and has a full lineup of performers. Students will be rehearsing in the classroom. There will be a short dress rehearsal for the Middle School with no formal dress rehearsal for the High School.
- All State auditions - Band goes first. Bailey Emerson and Lisa Seethaler will take vocal students to their auditions. All 7 vocal students auditioning are only 8 minutes apart on the schedule.
- Payments passed on to Fiona included Great East student payments, Silk City Chorus ticket sales (\$600 collected by Bailey), and a few late Disney student payments.
- Great East festival invoice will be due on 2/15
- The receipt for the Save the Children donation is in
- Scholarship aid needed for some students for the Great East festival. Motion made by Bailey Emerson, second by Amy Consadene to request \$250 in aid. The event will take place on May 11th. Students are paying \$77 each to attend the festival. Motion passed unanimously.

Kerrie Verrastro

- Middle School Winter Concert - rehearsals will need to be rescheduled due to the 1/17/18 storm. Help is needed with tickets, programs and concessions. Tri-M members will be asked to fold programs and hand them out for service hours. Kevin Williams, Alissa Bahamonde and Fiona Golemba will be at the concert to help. Bailey Emerson will send a communication seeking additional help from parents. We need 2 volunteers for tickets, 2 volunteers to collect tickets at the door, and 2 adults and 2 students to help with concessions. Tri-M students can arrive for 7 PM to plate the concession items. Chorus will perform first at this concert. Concession sales will be made following the concert due to the short duration.

Eric Nunes

- Tri-M t-shirts - Eric is waiting on pricing from the art department. We also need to get approval from Tri-M for a modified design which uses their logo.

Nick Kokus

- Disney trip update - Instrument and rooming lists are done. One way travel arrangements for specific students and chaperones are set. Allergy lists are done. New medical forms and overnight field trip forms will be coming out soon. The travel manifest is nearly done. The schedule of workshops has just been announced by Disney and specifics are being booked by Perkins Travel now. Performances will be on the Sunday of the trip at Disney Springs. Band will be at the same location as past trips (Marketplace Stage) and Choir will perform at the Waterview Park Stage. Workshops will be on Friday 4/13/18 at 2 pm. Disney has revamped the backstage venues. There is now no single place to accommodate simultaneous ensembles in the same location. Choir will be in a location at EPCOT, while Band will be in a location at Hollywood Studios. We are getting close to landing on a final total cost. \$1,050 has been paid so far by students. A final \$250 payment is technically due at the end of this month. Nick is confident previously approved funds by the Music Boosters will cover the rest of what is needed. Group will be staying at Park Inn by Radisson in Kissimmee. Shannon Smith motioned and Jen Golden seconded to purchase t-shirts to help parents in the area can identify each other and other students. Motion passed unanimously.
- Live Streaming - Video Production Club is asking for \$200 per concert to continue streaming. Nick is not in favor of us taking on a \$2,000 expense to operate another club. We can target major events like the Evening of the Arts where it makes sense to have professional quality streaming. Eric can find ways to stream the other events with a single view camera. Sponsorships are not viable because it involves Districtwide resources and the Board of Education would need to approve the process which is unlikely. Kevin offered to share links with Eric for streaming cameras he has researched for live streaming church services.
- Fiona delivered the Treasurer's report. Motion by Jen Golden, second by Amy Consadene to accept as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

- Silk City revenue - We made a total of \$720 in ticket sales for the Silk City Chorus Annual Show.
- Munsons Chocolates - If we make enough for free delivery it will come before 2/13 and Nick may have students help sort. Fiona to help with pickup if we need it. If we pick up sorting will be on 2/13 at 6 pm prior to our next monthly meeting.

New Business

- Kevin shared there will be a Yankee Division Day of Harmony event on 1/20/18. Several RHAM students are participating in workshops during the day and a 7 PM concert at RHAM High School. All are welcome to attend the concert, which will be free of charge.
- Hebron Lions Pancake Breakfast - The Hebron Lions have chosen the RHAM Sports Boosters and RHAM Music Boosters to share in the proceeds of their Maple Fest fundraiser. We need to confirm date for pancake breakfast. Directors will work on potential students to perform during the event to help draw additional crowds.
- Kevin motioned to approve \$119.45 reimbursement for annual web hosting, malware protection and domain registration fees for the Music Booster website. Second made by Amy Consadene. Motion approved unanimously.
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- Amy Consadene asked if it might be possible to give coaches who are releasing kids from practice or game obligations concert tickets to see our event. It could help with their objection to releasing players for performances and trips. The request was supported along with Kaitlyn Leahy (student representative on the Board of Education) to present the Superintendent and members of the Board of Education with tickets to concerts and encourage their attendance.

Motion was made by Jen Golden with a second by Alissa Bahamonde to adjourn at 7:59 PM. Motion passed unanimously.