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

**January 10, 2023**

**Meeting Called to order:** 7:02 PM by Jennichelle Oatman

In Attendance:

Nick Kokus, Bailey McKiernan, Kerrie Verrastro ,Deb Fitzsimmons, Ken Harvill, Jennichelle Oatman, Allison Forrest, Marchelle Groves, Brenda Bula, Paula King, Mary Ellen\_\_\_\_\_\_ Tracey Garbarino.

*Secretary’s Report:*

The minutes from the Decembers’ meeting were presented for review. Nick motioned to accept, Jennichelle seconded. Minutes approved and on file.

*Treasurer’s Report*:

Review of the highlights of the treasurer’s report given. At the winter concert, $420 cash donations received, 22 baskets were involved in the auction raising $1000, $550 of gear sold and $247 in concessions. The total revenue for the winter concert was $2000. Nick motioned to accept, Kerri seconded. Treasurer’s report approved and on file.

*Directors Updates:*

HS Band-

CMEA auditions begin 2/23 in New Haven. Pep Band began today 1/10 and will have abbreviated schedule until concluding 2/14. Jazz concert is 2/15. There is a effort to coordinate a event to hear a professional band with some local music directors and musicians. On 2/2 there will be a rehearsal with members of this band and a clinic offered. A tentative request of $600 was put forth to include $100 gift each to Tom Kessler and Tim Firaranti , $200 for pizza for the students and additional funds for food for the adults. Jennichelle motioned to approve this request and Deb seconded.

MS Band-

Auditions are coming up for Wind Ensemble and Jazz band 2/1 and 2/2.

MS and HS Choruses-

Thank you for support during the caroling season and thank you for assistance with the basket raffle and the winter concert. HS Eastern Regionals at Uconn was a success. At present, 61 students are planning to attend the MS Lion King trip. 2/1 is the deadline to sign up for this trip. MS Coffee House has been moved to the HS café. This event will be held 3/30 and have a photo booth, art projects displayed and will have T shirts for the students. An updated invoice from Flour Girl Café was provided reflecting additional students who joined caroling event. Sign Up Genius is on line for the MS winter concert set for 1/19. Gear will be sold and will need access to Square. Eastern Regionals is approaching for MS. Bailey will share a outline of volunteer needs, menu and price list of food for sale. This is based on last event prior to Covid. Deb will be point person on cash boxes 3/3 and 3/4.

Technology and Tri Music**-**

Tri M had their first fundraiser raising $260 from karaoke night. The next meeting will be held 1/11. A give back day with the Flour girl Café is in the works and they continue to work on their hours.

*Old Business:*

Last payment for Disney is due 1/13 and is for $170. The times of the scheduled clinics have been received and will be a 7am clinic. A full schedule will be created around times in clinics. A transition folder and google document has been created for the Basket Raffle for next year. This was very successful with $1000 from this raffle. After debriefing from the winter concert the consensus was that it ran smoothly.

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*New Business:*.

We obtained 2 new memberships after winter concert. Mary Ellen presented an opportunity for a grant which is offered thru the town of Andover. It is due 3/15 and the proposal must indicate how it benefits the Andover community. It will be 6-8 weeks to hear back after submission. Some ideas are to become involved with the towns 175 anniversary and perform at their fun day. Another idea is to outreach to the Andover elementary school music director to ask how this grant could assist the Andover Music department with additional lessons or clinics for the students.

Website and Social Media-

The website continues to run smoothly with Paula taking graphics from emails. MS concert and tryouts will be posted

**Next meeting will be Tuesday, Tuesday 7, 2023 at 7:00pm**

Motion made by Jennichelle to adjourn at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracey Garbarino

Secretary