

RHAM MS / HS Music Booster Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2020

Meeting Called to order: 7:00 PM by Alissa Bahamonde

In Attendance: Jennichelle Oatman, Nick Kokus, Kerrie Verrastro, Heidi Nilsson, Robin Lane, Eric Nunes, Brenda Bula, Tracey Garbarino, Teresa Odoy, Kathie Ely, Amy Harvill, Ken Harvill, Alissa Bahamonde

Secretary's Report:

- Last meeting's minutes on file. Corrections:

HS Band: The amount each student attending the Boston trip will receive from Music Boosters to offset their own payment is ~~\$25~~ \$19

MS Band: Upcoming events: ~~pep~~ Pops band playing for 8th grade basketball games

-Motion made by Nick Kokus to accept November Booster meeting minutes; motion seconded by Jenichelle Oatman; all approved; motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- Highlights: Middle school concert made \$532 in ticket sales & concessions to support future student activities.

- Travelers Insurance made a donation

- final payment made for Boston trip

- Motion made by Nick Kokus to approve the Treasurer's Report; seconded by Alissa Bahamonde; all approved; motion passed.

Nick Kokus: HS Band

-Evening of Jazz concert last week 2/6/2020– successful event bringing together students & families from 2 school communities. Thanks to Boosters for providing pizza for the HS student participants.

-Pep Band finished for the year.

-Seventeen students auditioned for All State Festival.

-Select Ensemble (Wind, Jazz) auditions for next year completed.

-Upcoming events: Feb 12 Jazz Band to Manchester for festival.

-Feb 14 Hartt Collage Concert trip cancelled. Several students planning to attend on their own.

Kerrie Verrastro: MS band

- Middle School Winter Concert (instrumental and vocal) on 1/30/2020 a success. Concessions: Primarily students purchasing; mostly at intermission. Few sales after performance.

- Upcoming events: Coffee House planned for 4/8/2020; Kerrie V coordinating with Colebrook Village for after school/weekend programs bringing students and Colebrook residents together for activities – ie music lessons after school, student performances at Colebrook on weekends

Kelly: MS and HS Choruses

- Kelly not in attendance. MS Winter Concert as above.

Eric Nunes: Music Technology

-Tri-M working on fundraiser for a TBD charity at Silk City coffee shop in April or May.

Old Business:

-SCRIP fundraiser- Lisa Seethaler to contact Jane Earheart to see if she is interested in running the fundraiser again.

-Tina Lin (sp?) to take over Basket Raffle for next year. Robin to contact re transition.

- New treasurer needed for next year. Booster members encouraged to come up with names of possible volunteers who may be a qualified replacement.

-Music Boosters website needs overhaul; previous volunteer no longer available. Ken Harvill to assist.

-Sweatshirt sales were successful; discussed ordering more to sell at upcoming spring events, vinyl print sweatshirts, proposed increase price to \$35. Consider adding T-shirts as well. Nick K to d/w art dept and will put on agenda for next month's meeting.

New Business:

- Scholarship for graduating senior planning to major or minor in music – Nick K to coordinate; outside committee to review applicants. Amount given last year \$4000. Motion to approve funds for scholarship at same \$4000 amount this year made by Jennichelle Oatman, seconded by Ken Harvill; all approved; motion passed.

-New tablecloth or table banner needed- Alissa Bahamonde to research

-We will need volunteer parents to help at spring concert and sign-up genius will be utilized – TBD at next meeting in March closer to concert date.

Next meeting Tuesday March 10, 2020 in the Music Technology Room – first floor, RHAM HS, Music/Art wing.

Motion made by Alissa and seconded by Amy to adjourn at 7:50 PM. All in favor; Motion passed.