

SHS Music Boosters Club Minutes 10/08/2020

Present:

Michelle Pereira, Maryann Iannuccillo, Paul Duhamel, Michaela Turbitt, Melissa Moroni, Katherine Young, Lu Duhamel, Michelle Placido, Kate Leach, Sandy Brenner

Absent Board Members: Tania Alexander

Call to Order - Michelle Pereira 7:10 pm

Secretary's Minutes - Posted to website. Reviewed by Michaela Turbitt. Paul Duhamel made a motion to accept. Melissa Moroni seconded. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report: Melissa Moroni

No new activity. Need to meet as a board to develop a budget. Balances consistent with last month.

Operating: \$7362.25

Take Your Seat: 6487.27

Gala: \$9780

Band Report: (given by Katherine Young)

-can only play in auditorium. Students are socially distanced (14 feet apart), using Smart Music at home. Looking into "instrument masks" on the bells of instruments.

Choral Report: Katherine Young

-There are not as many students in class at one time due to hybrid and virtual students. Singing 14 feet apart with masks. Sentinel Singers has not had auditions yet but it will be a mostly virtual group.

Tri-M Report

-Officers met during academic advisory to discuss expectations this year. Students can fill out google form to join tri-M. Requiring one service project. Doesn't necessarily have to be a music project. Officers putting together a 30 second video introducing themselves along with information from teachers which will be the first virtual meeting. Will use google form for attendance.

First project will be a virtual concert for Cortland Place. Will be very casual. Students can film from their house. Hoping to do one around Thanksgiving and another around winter holidays

PR report:

Take Your Seat form has been upgraded. Waiting for board feedback before posting on website. Would like to link everything to PayPal, especially for contactless payment and dues.

NOMINATIONS

Current board nominated by M Iannuccillo

President: Michele Pereira

Vice President Band - Paul Duhamel

Vice President Chorus - Tania Alexander

Secretary - Michaela Turbitt

Treasurer- Melissa Moroni

ELECTION

Michaela Turbitt (secretary) - cast a ballot to elect the slate of officers as listed.

Unanimously elected.

Membership Drive

Membership form on SHS Facebook page

Membership form with appeal sent to teachers to forward

Spoke about wording to encourage more support from the parents in the school community.

AUDITORIUM UPDATE

New flyer with order form created. Gala most likely postponed until 2022.

GRANT UPDATE

-Dr. Paolucci had alerted us to an opportunity for the Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation. Had applied last year (not through Boosters) but did not receive. Asked if we would consider applying due to requirement of 501(c)3 status to receive grant. Upon reading fine print, the foundation specifies that publicly funded agencies, such as schools can apply for the grant. Michelle will email Dr. Paolucci to alert her of this fact. Group is also concerned that should we receive the grant, it will count as income and would put us close to the level of funds that we can safely take in without tax implications.

-Michaela stated that if music department has any specific requests or wish list items to let her know, as grants are usually for specific programs. Jazz/pep band or Sentinel Singers would qualify as "after school programs" which some grants are geared towards. Something to keep in mind for future years if these after school groups are not able to run this year.

NEW BUSINESS

-Request from Mrs. Chartier for new pedal for bass drum. Received quote from Rick's music. Michelle obtained additional quotes from The Music Complex, as well as some used options.

-Melissa reminded the group of the policy to obtain three quotes prior to requesting purchase.

-Paul made the motion to purchase the bass pedal from The Music Complex for \$125. Motion was seconded. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned: 8:00 pm.