

## Smithfield High School Music Booster Minutes- 11/9/21

**Meeting called to order at 7:17** (due to technical issues with Google Meet)

Attendees: Michaela Turbitt, Paul Duhamel, Ashleigh Moroni, Laura Fields-Swallow, Katherine Young, Michelle Placido

**Secretary's minutes:** Available on website (not voted on due to technical issues- Tracey unable to log on until afterwards)

**Treasurer's report:** Melissa Moroni unable to attend- will update next month

**Band report:** Paul Duhamel

-Band is working on holiday music

-Kelly Chartier put a request in for a tenor sax through the school depart budget for approx. \$3000

**Choral Report:** Katherine Young

-Oct concert was well-received, would like to continue in the future due to positive feedback

-The practicum teacher gave 1<sup>st</sup> lesson and it went well

-Katherine to ask if the chorus will be singing in the All Lit Up town parade on 12/4, Tracey to find link to parade sponsors to forward to her

-Michaela mentioned a story hour for honor society, some interest was expressed in chorus joining

-Sashes were great, thank you. There are enough for all of the students

**Tri-M report:** president unable to attend, Katherine to update in place

-Tri-M is still brainstorming ideas for the year

**Merchandise Store:** Michaela Turbitt

-Approx 25 items sold so far, up significantly from last year

**Arts Task Force report:** Michaela Turbitt and Paul Duhamel

-Mtg mthly to ask what arts mean to all, what are strengths/weaknesses so far in programs with an aim to improve for the future

**Take Your Seat:** Michaela Turbitt

-12 Take Your Seat plaques to be installed

**New Business:** Michaela Turbitt

-Fundraising

-Stop and Shop is offering a reusable bag fundraiser-they will sell- boosters will receive \$1 of profits

-Subcommittees needed to determine best way to advertise and to delegate for other projects such as Take Your Seat, Scholarship Committee, Fundraiser Committee

-Gail no longer chairperson of Scholarship Comm.-Michaela to email former members for help

-Suggestions, flyers placed at businesses. Michelle offered to place them around town, Tracey suggested Greenville Library. This would be in addition to social media advertising.

-Cookie trays were approved as a fundraiser \$10 small tray, \$15 large tray

-Ashleigh suggested baking and assembling could be offered to Tri-M members as service project

-Katherine to double-check supplies such as gloves etc. to make sure we are also Covid-safe

-12/9 is concert so new date determined to be 12/8 for cookie tray assembly and meeting

-Jaswell's Farm donated for concert would like to continue donation relationship for future events ie holiday time or teacher appreciation

-Ashleigh suggested Valentine's Day beneficial since slow time of yr, boosters receive part of profits

-Auditorium gala on hold. Dr. Paolucci applied for Champlin Grant- will hear results end of November

-If grant approved, gala can be held to support

-Sound system- should we look into quotes for portable or permanent? Mr. Chartier to look into quotes. Katherine believes it may be better to replace existing Fender system with functioning new portable- no worry about damage from other people using

-Questions raised- who is using system and who will benefit? Paul suggested if portable-only \$ comes from Boosters, if permanent structure \$ comes from Take Your Seat fund since all who donated would have benefit of use

-Unanimous decision to put together quotes on portable systems. Official vote planned for next mtg

**Meeting adjourned 8:00pm**