

Band Patrons General Meeting
May 7th 2020, 7:00 pm
Zoom online Meeting

Melinda Brought the meeting to order.

Reviewing of the March and April minutes. Brett motioned to approve the minutes, Kathy Hoffman seconded, motion approved

Melinda reviewed what was discussed at the last Executive meeting - Budget, fundraiser, elections, senior awards.

- Correspondence - none
- Board Elections - Candidates each introduced themselves and spoke for a few minutes about themselves.
Ryan Scholl - Chair *
Karen Himes - Chair and Secretary*
Josh Fully - Chair
Nicole Huson - Vice Chair*
Crystal Bump - Vice Chair
Shannon Wolf - Treasurer*
John Chatterley - Public Relations*
Brigid Cassidy - Public Relations

Melinda Gartman (chair) and Kari Templin (Secretary) were the only ones allowed to see the votes. Only those that attended the meeting could vote. Votes were tallied and the names of the new Board members are underlined and starred above.

- Lion Raffle drawn by Kaven Freshner - winner - Kiki
- Band Directors updates -
 - Noelle - Wind Ensemble, Concertband, Jazzband are doing Smart Music assignments for distance learning. Seeing improvement in students already. Dates for next year are starting to roll in. Award Ballot for spring Awards will be sent out soon. Wind Ensemble auditions will be coming out soon, open to 8thgraders and concert band members. Leadership applications for Marching band will be due next week. Drum major and Guard Captain interviews are May 20th. Shared a Bond improvement Video that talks about the HS improvement bond on the May ballot.
 - Travis - MS doing Smart music, also another program called breezing through Theory, some kids taking part in that. Things are going good so far.

- Fundraisers -

Kari Templin - Can and Bottle drives - The drives that were scheduled this year had to be cancelled due to the Covid 19 social distancing laws. The board has been brainstorming new ways of fundraising. Kari volunteered to do a May 'drop off' can drive where there are adults only at the drive. Folks can come through and drop off cans. Social distancing guidelines will be followed.

Nicole Huson - We're setting aside the sales fundraisers for now and going to focus more on Service Fundraisers. We'll shoot for Mod fundraiser first of June. We'll need to think outside the box for upcoming fundraisers.

Kristina Saul - gave TNT report for Stella VanHook. TNT is still a go for now, but will be done a little differently like having plexiglass or plastic barriers for volunteers, most likely no students will be able to work it, adults only. There are new owners this year.

- Shannon Wolf - Budget Shannon reviewed the Budget ending April. Expenses \$2,651.33, Income \$3288.71, General fund \$31,288.

- Marching Band - Noelle Freshner

Noelle presented two options for Marching Band and the Budget. Option 1, competitive Marching band with the same budget as last year, approx: \$52000. Option 2, Exhibition band with still having some trips but not a competitive March. We wouldn't be competing, the show would be for entertainment. We would still have band camp, football games, evening rehearsals, but we wouldn't need to spend as much time on the show, and the cost would be much less. Instructional staff would be cut down. Approx \$24000. Noelle expressed that the most responsible thing to do would be to go for the lower budget and not take the risk of dumping thousands of dollars on a Marching band show that may be cancelled by Covid and be out that money.

Noelle also advised that smart music 'free' will be going away in July, but because the program is so great, she is looking into doing it for the school year for a \$40 per student fee for the school year. This will give students access to tons of music.

Melinda motioned for the vote to go with the second option, Kristina seconded. Melinda asked for discussion, Hannah Bump expressed her support of the second option.

Kristina mentioned many of the bands on the east coast are also going with this type of option, as well as Noelle advising of many of the local bands doing this as well.

Melinda asked for a vote, Noone was opposed, motion carried.

- Old Business - None

- New Business - Kathy talked about putting together a photo album for Justin (our longtime drumline instructor who recently moved to ID) She said she would donate the pictures but would like to have some of Joseph's BSF money go towards purchasing the album. Melinda tabled that discussion for now until more information is gathered.
- Melinda announced the results of the Board nominations. Indicated those above.

Next General Meeting - Thursday June 11th 7:00pm Zoom

Next Executive Board Meeting - TBD

Melinda motioned to adjourn the meeting, Micah seconded the motion.