

Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2021

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.

Opening statement by Dave Johnson acknowledging the loss of Sabrina Duprey the previous week. Dave had flowers sent to the family house on behalf of the Boosters. Further discussion with Mr Allen and Ms Gess about a potential musical tribute in the relatively near future

MUSIC DIRECTOR REPORTS:

- **BHS – Mr. Allen:**

- Reported a good Holiday concert season.
- Students this week in building, still adjusting
- Virtual and Solo & Ensemble program happening early March. Fees will be \$ 19 solo and \$ 24 ensemble. Students will video themselves and send in. Directors will send to OMEA and they will judge. Both BMS and BHS will be participating

- **BHS – Mrs. Gess:**

- Promoting the Solo & Ensemble program with kids.
- It was clarified that Boosters cover in full the cost for BMS students wishing to participate. Also that BHS students give fees to directors, who give to the Boosters and then Boosters forward one payment to OMEA.
- District concert is scheduled for the end of April, it will be virtual and she is working with Elaine Dwyer on this project.

- **BMS – Mr. Awad:**

- Musical will be end of April and prep has started. Musical this year is Chicago
- In- person including Jazz band is fun.
- 6th grade is in the process of adding new instruments.

- **BMS Choir – Mr. Novak:**

- Involved with auditions for Chicago.
- Offered free of charge to be accompanist for the Solo & Ensemble program.

- **BHS – Mrs. Rohlke:**

- Jr Rockettes hopefully will perform 1/29/21 during halftime of the basketball game. They are excited at the possibility.

- Sr Rockettes are hoping for a performance a few weeks later and are grateful for anything they are able to do.

OFFICER REPORTS:

- **President** – no report
- **Vice President:**
 - By Laws have been reviewed and only a few minor changes will be suggested.
 - Job description for officers and committee member should be generated and incorporated into a tool for future officers. Dave Johnson mentioned that he had a great binder given to him by Susan Evans that he references often. A blank job description was emailed to all for future discussion.
- **Treasurer:**
 - Operating account \$ 37K+. Minimal activity over last 60 days.
 - Expecting large bill for air cleaner, Mr. Allen will forward to Treasurer.
 - Plaque for Mrs. Engelbrecht is being funded, approx. \$ 400. This plaque is being coordinating by Senior (2021) Cara Radcliffe. Boosters will be informed when plaque dedication ceremony will be.
 - Website spending review has been initiated. Data collected and sent to Laura and Dave for review and confirmation of future direction. This project was prompted by Kristen Dodd requesting a reimbursement for the annual charges being charged to her personal credit card. Kristen has been reimbursed.
 - -Tricia has applied for a Boosters credit card through PNC. Things, such as annual website fees will be put on this card. The card use was offered to the directors as well. One card will be issued and stay with the treasurer.
 - Annual transfer from the operating account to the savings account needs to happen for the 2020 year. It was agreed that even though the bylaws state \$ 3500, we will move \$ 7000 to the savings account. The purpose of the savings account is to fund new uniform purchases.
 - Savings currently sits at \$ 103K. This is held at PNC in a zero interest account. This is good preservation of capital and has no risk.
 - Tricia suggested that \$ 100K be invested in a conservative investment account at Fidelity if the uniform purchases was more than a year away.
 - Mr Allen confirmed that the uniform purchase was absolutely over a year away.
 - Tricia suggested a targeted allocation fund that has very low fees and has a single fund with an asset mix based investment strategy. This hypothetical growth seems to be 6-8%. As a group, the risk of investments would need to be agreed upon.
 - Tricia will send data to the Boosters collective group and call for a vote next month.
 - Federal 990 tax returns have been filed as well as State reporting.
 - 1099's will go out within a few days. Only Murn and Pham will receive.

- **Corresponding Secretary:** - no report
- **Recording Secretary** – no report

UNIFORMS:

- Raincoats have been cleaned and will remain at cleaners until we are ready for them.
- Bobbi confirmed we will not be charged for storage.
- Tricia confirmed that the invoice to clean the 149 raincoats has been paid in full.

BAND SPORTSWEAR:

- Few orders filled over the last 60 days. One shirt order is pending and Meredith reached out to the parent and there is an understanding of a delay due to not wanting to reach out to Kristen Duprey at this time.
- Boosters are running low on Garden Flags, stands & window stickers. Meredith will research vendors and historical quantity sales for review to determine future order placement.
- The design of the garden flag was discussed, if to remain the same or change. The idea of students designing a new flag was brought up and received with enthusiasm. Meredith will research this possibility with the Directors.
- Devon Gess mentioned that orchestra and choir have new flags that were designed by an alumnus. Meredith and Devon will coordinate with their vendor research.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- **Rocket Nation Car Raffle participation**
 - Boosters will have a link on website and send an email requesting support to the Boosters members. Dave will coordinate this with Laura.
- **Trailer**
 - Working with new school board Treasurer and insurance company. Waiting for insurance company to look. Dave seems to feel that the trailer will be considered property of the District and therefore covered. Future updates will be given as they become available.
- **Ball Room Blitz**
 - Tracy Deibel is still the Committee lead for this event.
 - Ideas of virtual, raffle, carhop were mentioned.
 - Robin Lucak added that the Board of Education and the BHS PTA Scholarship events have turned into raffles.
 - Blitz is on the calendar for 4/24/21.

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting: Zoom conference on Wednesday, February 10 at 7:00 pm