



Parkland Music Boosters General Membership Meeting

Minutes – February 16, 2023 at 7:03 PM

Attendees: Wendy Wright, Karen Phillips, Tina Lee, Cynthia Lee, Michelle Hare, Lori Piltz, Voula Papageorgiou, Kevin Boger, Mr. Lerew, Sarah Wascura

Meeting Called to Order: Wendy Wright

Approval of Last General Meeting's Minutes (Nov. 17): *Motion to approve by Karen. Seconded by Michelle. Approved.*

Treasurer's Report:

- Income since last meeting: \$899.20 (total)
 - Amazon Smiles Rebate: \$79.36 (Note: Amazon is discontinuing program)
 - Miscellaneous (Reimbursement: PMEA Directors Luncheon incl. drinks): \$794.84
 - Music Dept Semi-Formal (Ticket paid by check): \$25.00
- Expenses since last meeting: \$1,037.79 (total)
 - Hospitality (PMEA Directors Luncheon): \$693.84
 - Music Dept Semi-Formal (Location balance): \$336.00
 - Miscellaneous (Valentine's treat bags from Dollar Tree): \$7.95
- Net Income is -\$138.59. Checking balance is \$33,006.96; savings balance is \$1,387.72.
- *Motion to approve financial report by Kevin. Seconded by Voula. Approved.*

Director Updates

- **Mr. Lerew:**
 - Jazz Band:
 - Busy basketball season playing for boys' and girls' games. Girl's team did not qualify for playoffs; boys' team played Feb. 14 at the PPL Center. The season is now finished.
 - Jazz Band moves into spring mode to learn new music.
 - Joint performance with Allentown Band will be at Springhouse in April.
 - Jazz Band is going to D.C. (with select orchestra/chorus groups) end of April.
 - 8th Grade Band Recruitment:
 - Mailing has gone out to 8th grade families for marching band next year.
 - Select band members visited the middle schools and performed in January.
 - Indoor percussion and Color Guard are starting show performances and will continue through the first weekend in May. They compete Feb. 18 at Hatboro Horsham.
 - Band Festivals:
 - Lehigh County Band Festival (non-audition) is Feb. 18 at Northern Lehigh with rehearsal all day and then the concert.
 - District Band was Feb. 9-10 with 12 students attending (second highest of all schools and several 9th and 10th graders). Three students will move on to Regional Band at Hempfield in March. Three freshmen would have moved on, but it is limited to upper class students.
 - District Jazz Festival was two weeks ago with two students participating. One student made All State Band.
- **Mrs. Figueroa:** Many students are playing in the pit orchestra for the spring musical in contrast to last year when professional musicians played.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Photos:**
 - Stephen took group/couple shots at the Music Semi-Formal and decision was made at the last meeting to print and sell them.
 - Tina will ask Stephen to offer Mr. Parkland pictures as well as Semi-Formal pictures.
 - Once Stephen is ready to take orders, Wendy can advertise photo availability.
- **Clothing Drive:**
 - Wendy has arranged for advertising in the PHS Parent Newsletter for March and April and in the Parkland Newsletter which goes to all district residents.
 - The ad discussed at last meeting is ready for the spring musical program.
 - The QR code in the ad goes to the Boosters website. Wendy will send the clothing drive informational ad to Stephen Lee to add to website.
- **Senior Recognition Night (Chorus and Orchestra):** Tina Montone will have an update next week. Note that whatever Chorus and Orchestra do during their concerts will likely be what Band does too.
- **Scholarship:**
 - Senior students write an essay based on a prompt to apply for one of three \$1000 scholarships offered through Band/Chorus/Orchestra. Need to recruit three English teachers determine the rubric and read/rate the essays. Students can only apply for one scholarship. Awards are made late May/early June.
 - Sarah Wascura has agreed to chair.
- **FOTA:** Tara Sistrunk, chair
 - Mostly volunteers are needed. Students can help. Volunteers need clearances.
 - Food is assigned. Last year's offerings: hamburgers cheeseburgers, pulled pork, drinks, pizza, Indoor Percussion and Color Guard sold pickles on a stick and ice cream sodas. Candygrams for seniors were offered.
 - Soda size/price needs to be clarified. Last year, most booths sold soda in cans while Boosters sold bottles at the same price.
- **TIA Tournament:** Volunteers will be needed to help that day.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Fanfare and Tribute:** Karen will look for volunteers to form a committee. Stephen Lee said that he can help.
- **Manuals/SOPs:**
 - Looking for notes from anyone who has organized an event to document the procedures for future reference.
 - Goal is to compile a database for all positions/events/committees.
 - Suggestion to create an overall calendar to track project timelines.
- **Additional Items:**
 - 2024 Semi-formal has been reserved with Muhlenberg College.
 - May 18 is a Chorus concert date. Move general meeting to Tuesday, May 16. Note that this meeting will include elections.
 - Concession Stand: Discussion was tabled on whether anything needs to be done to winterize the concession stand (from Dec. 15 meeting). Nothing needs to be done; item is closed.

Next meeting: May 18, 2023 (General Meeting) changed to May 16, 2023; March 16, 2023 (Executive Board Meeting)

Motion to adjourn by Michelle. Seconded by Tina. Approved.

Meeting Adjourned.

List of Items Tabled for Later Discussion

- **Band picnic:** Discussion and organization tabled until spring for next year's band camp. (Sep. 15)
- **Website photos:** Discussion of payment for pictures is tabled to a later meeting. (Oct. 20)
- **Senior Recognition Signs:** Discussion to add senior recognition signs as an annual expense to the budget and whether this will include Chorus and Orchestra going forward is tabled for future meeting. (Oct. 20)
- **Icemaker:** Discussion of the icemaker cost and timeline is tabled for a future meeting. (Oct. 20)