

Revere Music Parents' Association (RMPA) Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 3, 2020 – 7:30 PM

Zoom Participants: Melissa Bales, Brenda Boots, Heather Catlett, Amy Crawford, Alex Desberg, Cody Dusek, Stephen Dutkiewicz, Michele Dye, Ellen, Lorie Feudner, Alice Forney, Katie Gehring, Heather Haydu, Julie, Kristin, Dr. LeBeau, John Leong, Maria Louis-Slaby, Kish Mendpara, Caroline Mizer, Deanna Moore, Jennifer Payne, Katie Pflueger, Cathy Rundo, Bart Sauer, Claire Sauer, Kit Scheetz, Tessa Schmidt, Matthew Szekely, Shelli Uher,

Welcome: Michele Dye welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

I. Band Council and Choir Officers' Reports: Claire Sauer –

- Recipe book fundraiser is new this year. Band Council has designed the entire book. Deadline for recipes extended to 9/3. Each band member needs to sell 3 cookbooks.
- Car wash Saturday, Sept. 5 from 10a-2p behind Donato's; due to social distancing requirements, volunteers will be scheduled for shifts and wear masks.

II. Secretary Report: Tessa Schmidt

- Minutes from tonight's meeting and the March meeting will be presented for approval at the October meeting.

III. President Report: Michele Dye

- Thank you to all for your support and adjusting to the new system, Charms.
- Special thanks to uniform parents who have students ready with complete summer and formal uniforms.
- Much gratitude to Jen Greulich and John Leong for their hours of work and expertise that resulted in establishing the Charms system as our one-stop destination for all things choir and band related (registration, communication, volunteering, online store, uniform inventory, etc.).

IV. Vice President Report: Shell Uher Welcome to new parents; nothing new to report

V. Treasurer Report: Jen Greulich

- Budget and Profit & Loss documents shared with membership via email
- There were no questions or comments on either

VI. Director's Reports:

Mr. LeBeau

- Welcome to Matthew Szekely, student teaching with Dr. LeBeau. Matthew very much enjoyed working with the students during band camp and looks forward to the rest of the semester.
- Band camp a success, students learned a lot in a short period of time, and did great with all of the changes, new requirements, and adjustments; thank you to parents for getting your kids where they needed to be on time for band camp and your patience with changes and adjustments
- Evening rehearsal attendance is more important than ever given the decrease in camp hours and splitting the academic band class into two separate periods to accommodate social distancing.
- There are 4 home games scheduled, band will not travel to away games
- Football game tickets – each family is allotted two tickets, regardless of the number of musicians in the family; all tickets purchased online, no paper tickets issued; attendee name must match ticket list at gate due to Covid tracing requirements (no giving tickets to someone else)

Mrs. Forney

- Recently notified choir will be allowed as an academic course this school year; what it will look like is unknown as there are strict parameters. On a positive note, there will likely be opportunity to enrich Fall semester with activities not normally undertaken because of performance preparation.
- Mike Wiley hired as RHS assistant choir director. Kelly Heider hired as RMS choir director.

Ms. Pflueger

- Welcome to all; looking forward to another great year working with middle school students

VII. Committee Chairpersons' Reports:

Activities & Events:

Banquets:

***RMPA is looking for a chairperson(s) for this committee. Past chairpersons are available to assist/train.
Please let Michele Dye know if you are interested.***

Chaperones: Candace Menke

- Currently, there is no need for chaperones; Charms will be used to communicate with and register volunteers when there's a need.

Choir Liaison: Holly Flowers – No update

Color/Winter Guard Liaison: Allyson Robinson - No update

Communications: Alex Desberg

- Thank you for your patience while I learned how to use Charms.
- Reminder: all RMPA email communication will come from Charms
- **If you need something communicated to the RMPA email distribution list, please include the copy/content you'd like included in the communication. Email to RevereMusicProgram@gmail.com.**

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Please let Michele Dye know if you are interested.

Cookie Shack: Deanna Moore

- There won't be a cookie shack this year.

Publicity/Handbook: Deanna Moore

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Please let Michele Dye know if you are interested.

Equipment: Stephen Dutkiewicz –

- No parent volunteers needed this year as parents are not permitted on the field

Hospitality: Jen Restivo

- Unfortunately, Covid will not allow us to be very hospitable this season. No parent help needed.

Uniforms: Peggy Littlefield/Maria Dutkiewicz

- Uniforms will not be worn until the second game Sept. 11
- Students will likely keep uniforms at home to abide by health rules while minimizing number of cleanings required.

Website: John Leong Update by Michele Dye

- ***Committee Chairs: Please review your sections on the website and contact John at the email below with any changes. ***Report any problems or changes to Admin@RevereMusic.org******
- Webpage statistics:

Year	Month	Users	Sessions	Page views	Pages / Session	Avg. Session Duration
2020	Aug	283	486	765	1.57	01:29
2020	Jul	112	196	434	2.21	01:26
2020	Jun	93	203	465	2.29	03:03
2020	May	94	155	307	1.98	01:34
2020	Apr	86	161	254	1.58	01:15
2020	Mar	144	216	354	1.64	00:56
2020	Feb	130	221	474	2.14	01:52
2020	Jan	158	228	406	1.78	01:18

Fundraising:

Bands in the Round / Soup Supper: Katie Gehring

- Event is usually held later October or early November but is not on the calendar at this point.

Concessions/Minuteman Cafe: Bart and Laura Sauer

- There will be no concession stand, a significant source of revenue, this year. We will provide 1 bottle of water and 1 prepackaged snack to band after halftime performance.

Fill-the-Band-Truck:

- Nothing scheduled

Invitational: Debbie Hermann/Tessa Schmidt

- The Revere Invitational, a ton of fun for everyone involved and significant source of revenue, is canceled this year.

Raffle – Alex Desberg

- Online raffle sites keep a high percentage of money collected making it cost prohibitive for RMPA to replace in-person 50/50 raffles with an online option. RMPA will focus on restaurant fundraisers instead. Look for announcements for these at least monthly.

Tag Day: Kit Scheetz and Cathy Rundo

- Planning an online Tag Day for October. More information to follow.
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IX. Old Business

- Charms/Revtrak transition – thanks to everyone for their patience while we transitioned to this system.
- Disney Trip – The safety and health of students, staff, and chaperones is of utmost importance, it is with heavy hearts we announce the trip in February has been canceled. Deposits will be refunded. As an alternative, please let Michele Dye or Jen Greulich know if you'd like to donate your student's deposit to RMPA.

X. New Business

- Polo shirts, Revere Music signs – RMPA polo shirts for parents and music program yard signs are available in the Charms online store. Please place your order for polos by Friday, September 4, 2020.

XI. Important Dates (dates and times are subject to change):

Fri. Sept. 4 @ 7:00pm – Home game vs. Aurora

Sat. Sept. 5 @ 10:00a-2:00p - Band Council Car Wash behind Donato's, Montrose (Rte. 18 & Cleve-Mass Rd.)

Fri. Sept. 11 @ 7:00pm – Home game vs. Cuyahoga Falls

Fri. Oct. 16 @ 7:00pm – HOMEcoming game vs. Copley

Fri. Oct. 30 @ 7:00 pm – SR Night Home game vs. Kent

XII. There being no further business to address, Michele Dye motioned to adjourn, Deanna Moored seconded; meeting adjourned at 8:54 PM.

XIII. Next RMPA meeting: Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2020 at 7:30 PM

Visit www.reveremusic.org for all the latest RMPA information and a link to CHARMS

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