



Royal Oak High School Band & Orchestra Boosters

MEETING MINUTES

4/12/2022 - 7:00 - Zoom Virtual Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 pm

PRESENT AT MEETING: Jason Pyciak, Leslie Gilliland, Vilma Dennis, Kristine Brezenski, Albin Rose, Jon Liu, Lisa Liu, Brian Vasicek, Jen Anesi-Brombach, Elaine Jirkans, Crystal, Stephanie Vasicek, Kate Dukhan, Linda Johnson, Patti Fritz, Charlene Govaere, Kyrstin Jensen, Dave Jensen, Maria Sheila Bercasio, Lois Yeats

SECRETARY REPORT

- Minutes from last meeting posted, Jon Liu moved to accept, Kristine B seconded

PRESIDENT REPORT - Jason Pyciak

- Jazz fest
 - Thanks for all the help
 - We need to improve organization
 - We took a hit on concessions about \$200
- Bylaw changes
 - Boosters focus on certain activities (list posted shortly)
 - Simplify meeting times - general monthly and board meetings as needed
 - Focus on efficiency - agenda items and topics ready ahead of time so we can plan our time better
 - Adjusting structure - directors are involved, but boosters are more for the parents
 - Give directors a budget instead of ad hoc requests (fund each year for each director and then request anything over that)
- May have a nurse for marching band, our own school nurse. She will consult with Mr. Giromini, directors will follow up
- Jason and Kristine at ROMS concert next month to chat between bands about boosters and get the kids and parents excited about HS music
- Screen printing - Nick Anderson HS class can make decals, tshirts, etc. We could give them an idea for a shirt and have them make them? We pay, give those kids a project. They take orders till May
- Varsity patches - what's available, we don't provide but Niki Pyciak is looking into ideas and examples
- Maybe do a video promoting the different bands/orchestra made by the kids that we can post on the website or share in some way. Albin and Kyrstin have people they can ask to help, Kristine mentioned the HS video class, to edit etc.
- Need better documentation of specific funding (scholarships for trips, etc) We should be more transparent on what we are spending money on. Try school first, then boosters if all else fails
- Golf cart for MB - go to the school with a strong proposal before we spend the money (other sports have one, so should MB). Waiting on calls back from places with details for us to present specifics to school



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- Fundraising - should we NOT do A, B, and E? Have the mattress sale instead? AB&E is very hard work
- Tailgates - should we scale these down? Perhaps fewer, like first game, homecoming and Bulldog night? All agreed we should continue, but maybe less often. We want parents to bond
 - Dave would like to sell the grill. Hard to clean, difficult to maintain

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT - Kristine Brezenski

- We need documentation on each committee so people can read about it and sign up
- Spirit wear - maybe purchase ahead of time and sell at games, concerts, etc?
 - Are folks interested in orchestra specific things?
 - Pre ordered stuff would be good to have on hand
- Storage room cleanup - Kristine will chair, needs to be done 2- 3 times a year, needs 1 or 2 to help
- Band camp meals - we can ask local businesses to donate lunch and/or snacks. We would promote them in return
- Senior banners - Dave taking care of this, may need some volunteers to help

TREASURER REPORT - Steve Harris - not present, report by proxy

- New treasurer transition complete. Steve is now on bank account and has experience
- \$225 out in checks, \$25442.35 balance, \$492 petty cash
- May need new battery for treasurer laptop or new laptop altogether

FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR REPORT - Linda Johnson and Laura Young

- No updates

COMMUNICATION COORDINATOR REPORT - Jen Anesi_Brombach

- Concert programs needed in the next month or so. Please send info ASAP

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

- **Dave Jensen**
 - On location, was listening in and commenting but no updates
- **Kyrstin Jensen**
 - Ordered marching assistant program/rehearsal tool. Each student gets their own device and headphones, directors have master device where show is loaded (tempo and movement changes, metronome) optimizes rehearsals
 - No show announcement yet, likely next week
 - Should we make specific MB show shirts? HS class to make?
- **Albin Rose**
 - Invoices to be taken care of (scores)
 - Orchestra prepping for next show



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WALK-IN ITEMS

- Laura Young - could we have a color guard open house (intro clinic type thing)? Need more guard people. Extra rehearsals, Laura can run some basics to get them excited about it. Maybe have a “Color Guard Tryouts” ad on FB or webpage. Not many people know about it.
 - Kyrstin, Laura and Dave will meet separately to brainstorm, maybe have a clinic. See if Kim would be open to some help; make sure she’s at rehearsals
 - Kristine added maybe ask the kids for feedback
- Elaine Jirkans - Maybe get help for twirler costume and or lessons? Should boosters help out?
- Brian Vasicek - Should we try and get community sponsors? McCourts and Detroit Violin help out (we have their logos on our trailer)
- Laura Young - Banquet
 - Can we book the cafeteria for rain backup? Have to have food, rain or shine, don’t want it to go to waste. Jon - do we need a building permit for caf? Kyrstin will ask Dave to check
 - Can Jen do programs? Directors please get student names, grades and groups they’re in to Jen ASAP
 - Senior slides
 - Can we get \$500 for the kids’ meals? (old banquets budget was \$2100 and we charged \$20 per person for everyone). Jon motioned, Kristine seconded
 - Get shirts made for seniors (new tradition to start?), saying “ROHS MB alumni” or the like?
 - Fee collection like “Jot form” like Signup Genius/Paypal to sign up and pay right then, goes right to booster bank account
- Next meeting vote on new bylaws

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:42 pm