

Revere Music Parents Association Meeting Tuesday, February 7, 2016 – 7:30 PM

In Attendance: Marianne Grandon, Kim Peters, Dennis Gentner, Adam Besenyodi, Bob Sigsworth, Esther Post, Dannette Revesz, Deanna Durbin, Tracie Gamblin, Jay Nye, Betsy Doran, Michele Dye, Darren LeBeau

Guests: Gina Ciolli, Noah Sigsworth, Sydney Borcharding, Charlie Wise

Welcome: Bob Sigsworth called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.

- I. Secretary Report: Marianne Grandon presented the minutes from the December meeting for approval. Deanna Durbin motioned to approve the minutes, Kim Peters seconded and the motion carried.
- II. President Report:
 - Bob Sigsworth reminded all about the Disney trip meeting on Thursday, February 9th, chaperones at 6:30, parents/ students at 7:30 in the auditorium
 - Due to the Florida trip, the March meeting originally scheduled for Tuesday, March 7 (the evening the busses return from FL) has been moved to Tuesday, February 28th.
 - Congratulations to the symphonic band, both choirs and the solo and ensemble performances over the last 2 months.
 - Thanks to Tracy Besenyodi and the AllState Foundation for the \$1000 grant.
 - Easter Seals truck will be on campus on Saturday, March 18.
 - The RMPA bylaws are currently being reviewed. The bylaw revision committee is Deanna Durbin, Marianne Grandon and Dannette Revesz. Current bylaws can be viewed on the RMPA website, www.reveremusic.org. Send any suggested changes to Marianne Grandon by Tuesday, February 14 at scgmg@yahoo.com.
 - RMPA elections are upon us. At the March meeting (on February 28th) Bob will be asking for volunteers for the nominating committee. The committee will then find candidates for the elected offices and present a slate at the April meeting. Members will vote at the May meeting.
 - RMPA will be hosting OMEA large group contest for middle schools on Friday, May 5 evening and Saturday, May 6 morning. This will be a great opportunity for students to get volunteer hours. Parents will also be needed. Middle School parents are being invited to get involved.

III. Vice President Report: Kim Peters had nothing to report.

IV. Treasurer Report: Dannette Revesz presented the financial reports from December and January. Jay Nye motioned to accept the financial reports, Tracie Gamblin seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Drive One for Your School (Ford) check getting deposited this week, trip credits were already applied to students trip accounts.

V. Director's Reports:

Mr. LeBeau commended the students on great solo and ensemble performances. The band and choir are now gearing up for the March 10th OMEA large group contest; choir will be early Friday afternoon at Nordonia, band will be late Friday evening location TBA (Barberton or Cuyahoga Falls are potential locations). And, of course, the Disney trip - band got to march on Tuesday! On Thursday, parents/students will receive the trip handbook and get an overview of the day-to-day plans. Scheduling books for the 2017-2018 school year went home today. One addition to this school year is the March 4, Kent State partnership concert, Revere band will perform with KSU band at 7 pm at Kent.

Mrs. Rizzo - not in attendance, no report

Mrs. Forney - not in attendance, no report

VI. Band Council and Choir Officers' Reports

Noah Sigsworth reported that the band is working on pep tunes [for Disney trip] and concert music. Gina Ciolli discussed the musical The Music Man. Band members are needed to a short marching scene. The commitment is minor (compared to Pit and Players)- about 3 rehearsals, 40 minutes each plus tech week. So far about 15 high schoolers and 12 middle schoolers have signed up to participate. They will be wearing the new uniforms.

Sydney Borcharding reported the choir is working on contest music. Charlie Wise said that the choir is designing t-shirts for the Disney trip. Also, they will not be doing the ValentUNES this year.

VII. Chairperson's Reports:

Esther Post: Cookie Dough fundraiser / Fruit Sale

- Cookie dough sales were rather easy but participation was limited. 2-3 extra tubs of dough were available for sale. Would consider doing another time if the need for funds arose.

Lynn Abou-Ghaloum / Ruth Ann Pardo: Banquets

- Not in attendance, by Bob Sigsworth reminded everyone that the date is set for the band/choir banquet on Friday, May 19 at 6:30 pm

Ken Post: Equipment

- Sent in a report that they will be pulling a trailer to the March 10th large group contest
- Bob Sigsworth added that all uniforms and equipment will go under the busses for the Disney trip.

Dennis Gentner: Chaperones

- 13 parents have signed up to chaperone for Florida (thanks!)
- Signup genius will go out for the March 10th band and choir performances

Ching Choy [Judy Nadzam]: Cookie Shack

Not in attendance, no report

Michele Dye / Barb Nonno: Hospitality

- Next up is flowers for the seniors at the spring show

Lynn Abou-Ghaloum: Volunteer Coordinator

Not in attendance, no report

Kimberly Peters: Communications

- Needs a back-up communications chair/co-chair, going to ask Deanna Durbin

Deanna Durbin: Website www.reveremusic.org

- December and January were slower months. Website had 212 sessions, 460 page views with viewers looking at a couple pages over a couple of minutes. Most views were of Disney, OMEA, Calendar and bands pages.

Adam Besenyodi: Publicity / Handbook

- Will be getting something out for the Easter Seals collection
- Suggestion was made to get more information out about concert band and choirs i.e., solo and ensemble results
- Bob Sigsworth brought to everyone's attention an article in the Bath Country Journal at www.scriptype.com about Revere parent volunteers, where RMPA was highlighted.

Bob Benza: Middle School Liaison

Not in attendance, no report

Marianne Grandon / Maria Johnson / Beth Chonko [need replacements]: Bands in the Round / Soup Supper

- Just got the bill for the cook, cost similar to last year

Tracie Gamblin [need replacements]: Uniforms

- Checking band members uniforms for growth over the last 3 months.
- Kids will be responsible for their uniforms on the trip
- Do you know where your Dinkles are?
- Uniform chairpeople are an emergent need.
- RMPA will be purchasing new red raincoats for next year. Current blue raincoats are about 20 years old. Will be paid out of the uniform fund.

Jay and Chantelle Nye [need replacements]: Concessions

- The Nyes have signed on for one last hurrah - OMEA large group contest for MS in May. Now is the chance for next years concession chairs to step up and get training.

[Vacant]: Choir Liaison

[Vacant]: Color Guard Liaison

VIII. Old Business

Pizza Fire fundraisers- Adam Besenyodi will check into this.

IX. New Business

Biannual review of ByLaws- See above, suggested edits due by 2/14.

Please add these to calendars:

Kent State partnership concert – Thursday, May 4

OMEA Middle School competition – Revere to host May 5 / 6

Tracie Gamblin moved to adjourn the meeting, Adam Besenyodi seconded, all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

X. Important Dates:

Thursday, February 9 – Disney Trip meeting – RHS Auditorium (6:30 Chaperones, 7:30 All Parents/Students)

Thursday, February 16 – RMS 7th/8th grade winter Band concert – RHS Auditorium @ 7 PM

Tuesday, February 21 – RMS 5th/6th grade winter Band concert – RHS Auditorium @ 7 PM

Thursday, February 23 – HS Band Concert (pre-contest) – RHS Auditorium @ 7 PM

Thursday, March 2 through Tuesday, March 7 – Band and Choir Disney trip

XI. Next meeting: Tuesday, February 28, 2016 at 7:30 PM - RHS – Room 200

[note date change from previously announced due to Disney Trip schedule]

Please go to www.reveremusic.org for all the latest RMPA information!