

RHS Band Booster Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2021

Sarah Thomas opens meeting at 7:33pm

Booster chair opening comments – Sarah Thomas

- Looking for a new chair...please volunteer! It's a great role.

Director's comments – Scott Brown

- Thanks for parents that helped make Marching Band happen this fall!
- Kids looked fantastic, great to get them into uniform
- Preparing for Hollyberry concert on Thurs., Dec. 16...all bands performing
 - Audience sizes severely limited...only 220-240 seats. Equates to 1 ticket per family for the Hollyberry Concert. Same situation for other music concerts (Jazz Nutcracker, Choir concerts, Orchestra concerts)
 - Sending safety plan into the district, includes special conditions for volunteers
 - Family pods allowed, then 3 seats between, and one empty row between occupied rows
 - Hoping this will ease up in the spring
- Great rehearsals...quarter grades turned in today, led to some good discussions and lots of focus during today's rehearsal
- Looking ahead to March and the CWE Wind Ensemble festival, one day trip to Ellensburg Friday March 4
- Pep Band Season starts with Basketball after winter break
 - Try to do Friday double header with girls/boys games
- Alderbrook – Drumline is performing – Saturday after Thanksgiving
 - Alderbrook donated \$1000
- Hoping that freshman/sophomore families can help keep the traditions alive!
- Concert dress code
 - All black, collared dress shirt for boys, black tie, black slacks, dress shoes
 - Girls – all black, no bare shoulders, skirt, slacks, dress, dress shoes, black socks/tights
- Service hours for students
 - Marching Band Football Games: Kids need to turn in forms...4 hours for a football game,
 - Husky Clean Up: Mark Conley will pre-fill out form...goes to Scott and kids complete
 - Pep Band: 2-4 hours of service hour credit for students (depending on 1-2 games)

Treasurer's report – John Matsumoto

- Revenue – Husky Clean Up is biggest fundraiser \$8400 per year
- Revenue – Wreath sales \$1500
- Revenue – No student fees this year, OK since not as many activities
- Revenue – Band Merch Sales roughly \$500
- Revenue - \$4500 from Netflix uniform rental last year
- Expenses – equipment repair, maintenance, pizza feed, buses, etc.
- Expenses – saving up for uniforms \$85-90K for new ones. Considering rotation for new uniform purchases

Upcoming events – Sarah Thomas

- Hollyberry Concert Volunteer Needs
 - Plan to use the drama ticketing system, no charge for tickets, ask about any fees to cover with drama
 - Veronica will coordinate the concert (ticket maps, collect info for safety plan, etc.)
 - Will decide what volunteer needs are – and send out a sign-up genius.
 - Sven can record the Hollyberry concert (woo hoo!)
 - Considered having each band perform separately so more families could see their students – but the logistics were too challenging
 - Scott is looking for a way for students to get to see the other groups perform.
 - Will include Marching Band Senior Night at concert
 - Need parents to help with making Candy Leis.

Fundraising: - Sara Thomas

- Wreaths – Veronica
 - Will deliver wreaths to families again this year
 - Finalizing dates – orders due Nov 28-29, deliveries on Dec 4 (proposed)
 - Need to make the form live on the website – Tracy to look into it, ask Danielle any questions (update – John M. is setting up the form)
- Updates and ideas – All
 - Want more fundraising ideas, uniforms are expensive (DM uniform was \$700+)
 - Need to keep a \$40K reserve
 - Ideas from Ellen - Band-o-grams. Local families can hire a small group to play happy birthday at parties and as a surprise gift.

2021/2022 leadership roles – Sarah Thomas

- Need a new Chair to step up
 - Not a hard job
 - Mainly tapping other people & Mr. Brown for things
 - Sarah will still be around for guidance
 - Please contact Sarah – happy to go to tea and answer questions

Other business

- Next booster meeting Jan. 17th!
- Meeting Adjourned by Sarah Thomas at 8:15pm

Minutes recorded by Secretary, Tracy Hillstrom