

SMS BAND BOOSTER MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 18, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Julie Bogner, Donna Brandt, Doug LaTessa, Jenny Hull, Jen Dodson, Liz Sears, Tina Monks, Karen Spratlin, Art Spratlin, Paul Kutz, Heather Kutz, Melanie Davis, Larry Hadenfeld, Doug Wolff, Elizabeth Kersting, Kristi Velicer, Lauri Clapper, Amy Morris, Pat Duff, Steve Adams

Booster President Julie Bogner called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Everyone present introduced themselves. Paul Kutz motioned to approve meeting minutes for the January meeting. Heather Kutz seconded. Minutes were approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Adams thanked everyone for being here on a day that there was not school. Mr. Adams was very happy with how all the bands performed for the January concerts. Assembly Friday will recognize the state band students. No news yet on the A/V. Mr. Adams is waiting to hear about grant results for the A/V. (*Mr. Adams later advised the \$3,500 grant was not received.*)

Niko Platko is leaving SMS and will announce his future plans. Mr. Platko has set the bar for his position at South. Administration knows that they have something special in the performing arts.

Brass Band will perform at the KU Jazz Festival on Friday, March 6, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Band President Brandon Kirmer gave a quick update on the Jazz/pep band for basketball games. Mr. Adams appreciates their efforts for being a student run band.

The April 8 date for the prestate band concert for SMSD is the first day of Passover. Mr. Adams is looking to move this to Monday, April 6.

Mr. Adams was completely surprised by the presentation of the KMEA Outstanding Music Educator at the assembly for the Mamma Mia! Musical previews on Friday, February 14. His wife knew for a week and his parents and sister were able to attend. Mr. Adams said this award is the recognition of the entire music program. He was nominated by a former student who is now a band director. Mr. Adams said if a teacher or former teacher has had an impact on you, that you should go tell them.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Julie Bogner reported that Liz Sears did a great job with the Masterworks reception. Liz reported that we were \$44 over budget of \$380. The cakes were \$115 per orchestra, choir and band. Liz said we need new signs for the Masterworks concert.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice President Donna Brandt reported that the nominating committee of Larry Hadenfeld, Tina Monks and herself met tonight before the meeting. Please let them know if you would like to continue in your position or if you have a recommendation for a replacement.

Donna needs a senior reception volunteer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Doug Latessa reported that the Mission Bowl bowling event on February 7 raised \$420 as we received \$4 of the \$12 fee. Pat noted that this is a higher number than all of our recent dine-ins which have not hit \$300.

NEW BUSINESS

The Hy-Vee fundraiser is scheduled for April 11 at 95th and Antioch. Kids will sign up for 2 hour shifts and pep band. We need donation containers for the 13 registers and band. We need some slight training for the volunteers to sack. The cashiers really appreciate this. Brandon said he will get people excited about it. Orchestra has done this and had a training video that we may want to look into. This activity was scheduled as a way for students to volunteer to earn credit toward the cost of the Florida trip in March of 2021.

Will Cooper created the senior videos for the last two years from the photos that were collected, but is a senior this year. Julie and Pat said we will strategize regarding the senior video before the next meeting.

We need to check the term of renewal for our liability insurance. Doug will review.

Evening of Jazz is coming. Heather Kutz reported that the committee chairs have met several times. T-shirt designs are due February 24. T-shirt orders will be before spring break. Evening of Jazz will need all new chairs next year, if there is someone willing to be involved this year. Help is needed for donations for the auction items.

Doug Latessa motioned to adjourn. Paul Kutz seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

Next Band Booster Meeting is March 24, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Duff - SMS Band Booster Secretary 2019-2020

All information from band boosters, Mr. Adams and the calendar is on the website at **www.smsraiderband.org**