

RMHS Music Boosters Meeting Minutes: December 5, 2017

The monthly meeting of the RMHS Music Boosters was called to order at 7:10 PM by Mat Krawczyk. Vice President Tom Toussaint, Treasurer Mary Fava, and Recording Secretary Evelyn Wills were present. The meeting was attended by Meg Sioui, Kobra Hall, Scott Hall, Christina Krawczyk, Sandy Heck, Susan Herold, Zaya Keefer, Tiffany Ferguson, Rebecca Sekirka, Ura Hong, Amy Carroll, Kevin Carroll, and Christopher Buti.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Mat Krawczyk welcomed Boosters to the meeting. **Treasurer** Mary Fava presented the RMHS Music Boosters Monthly Activity Report for November 2017, as well as the RMHS Music Boosters Treasure's YTD Report 2017-2018. These reports were approved as presented and filed. **Secretary** Evelyn Wills distributed draft minutes from the November 2017 meeting; the minutes were approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

January Music Boosters Meeting: Moved to January 9, 2018. **Junior/Senior High School Band/Orchestra Night Review:** Tom Toussaint reports that Junior/Senior Band Night was a great success. Mr. Buti gave a presentation on the band experience and the Music Booster volunteers shared and answered questions regarding what its like to be a band parent and the band experience from their perspective. He feels the placement of the event is good with respect to time of year. One suggestion is to send the dates well in advance to junior high band directors and students so everyone can come and benefit from this event. It the first time we've done this event in almost a decade and we will host this event again next year. Likewise, Junior/Senior Orchestra Night the following evening was a great success. See Mr. Carroll's report. **Holiday Concert:** There is a new format this year. It will be a combined concert and will be held in the gym. It will be shorter than in the past, with seating in the bleachers and on black chairs (no tables to eat on). Zaya will get cookies and set up tables with tablecloths for the cookies. There is no objection to the choir raffling off donated Chicago Bears tickets. Costco has booster account. Band will do water sales. The students will wear concert attire. **Jazz in the Meadows:** Ad sale forms will be available on the website and for the holiday concert. We will vote on the tee shirt logo tonight. Each person is choosing their top three preferences. It should not be "too busy" for printing purposes. The JITM kick-off meeting will be Tuesday, December 19. Tiffany is taking over. JITM is already fully booked; no more registrations are being accepted. **Volunteers:** There continues to be an ongoing need to encourage volunteers and identify shadows. **Yankee Candle:** Monika Hemm will be moving on from this position. We are looking for someone to take this over. It is easy, as there is no merchandise to be picked up. **Webmaster:** Mr. Carroll will update. **Student Accounts:** Kobra Hall has updated the student accounts with the exception of the most recent gift cards. **Fundraising:** Status quo.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Orchestra Director/Assistant Director of Bands

Kevin Carroll thanks us for help with Junior/Senior Strings Night. Over 70 junior high students were in attendance. It was a great experience. He got good feedback from the junior high directors. The guitar recital will be on December 17th at 3pm. It will last about an hour. There will be about 50 - 60 students and about 150 people total expected on the high end, as a guesstimate. Mr. Carroll would be appreciative of hospitality such as cookies and punch. The basketball games will be at 6pm with call at 5pm. 12/8 purple group, 1/12 gold group plus two more games.

Director of Bands & Color Guard and Fine Arts Coordinator

Chris Buti thanks us for our presence and assistance with the Junior/Senior High Band Night. It was great. Color guard and band seating auditions will begin. And the groups will begin working in the music for Disney. The percussion steel drum ensemble got off the ground. The jazz bands are prepping for the North Shore Jazz Festival. Pep Band is starting; there will be no extra rehearsals. Art and music program students have submitted entries for the JITM logo. Next year, the V-Show will not take place after the musical. Tentatively, it will take place in early winter or spring. Next year, the musical will again take place in the fall. Then afterward, it will be evaluated as to whether the musical will remain in the fall in subsequent school years.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 PM. The next general meeting of the Music Boosters will be Tuesday, January 9, 2018.

Approved Minutes respectfully submitted by Evelyn Wills