



Parkland Music Boosters

Executive Board Meeting

Minutes - August 11, 2020 at 7pm

Call to Order: Katy Mangold, President

Approval of Minutes: (Executive Board Meeting, July 21, 2020) Motion by Heather Hechler; 2nd by Diane Miller; approved.

Treasurer's Report: Nothing new to report; Katy Mangold spoke to Mr. Lerew and we will not address the budget until next month because we won't really know what we will need to budget for until we have more information.

Directors' Update:

Figeroa

Not a lot going on. First rehearsal just started with percussion. They are staying outside, staying apart, bringing people in in small groups and meeting in small sections to get a feel for how it's going to work. There will only be one week of band camp. There will be no performance at games and a field show will not be put together. Looking into getting into some flexible instrumentation music for meaningful experience because they won't be meeting as a full group. They are trying to keep band as normal as possible. They will be working on fundamentals. Playing is going to be the concentration of band camp.

Anonia

Curricular groups (band specifically) - will have eight bands that happen throughout the week. Most will be keeping bands together based by grade but scheduling might need some accommodations. Chorus will have twelve sections because freshmen needed two choral choirs. Freshmen will be split between Mrs. Figueroa and Mr. Anonia. Four orchestras will be grade based and divided over the week. We are losing a lot of numbers for performing ensembles because of the children who chose online learning. For example 120 chorus members were lost to online learning this year. There are 230 students left. Band, Chorus, and Orchestra will be groups of 10, 15, or 20 students in a section. Band and Chorus are not able to perform indoors right now - can only perform outside. At some point, it will be too cold. There are no plans right now for when the weather gets cold. Orchestra can perform inside with masks and social distancing. This year, rehearsals, etc. will be focusing on smaller groups. They are still working through things to offer as many things as they can. Online is really not an option as they don't have the staff to do. There are many more groups because they reduced the size of members in the groups. The schedule was just put online. Students will have three weeks to get through a full cycle. They will have online content the other three days.

Mishler

Orchestra will have a virtual camp next week. They will have small groups the following week for the strolling program. Mr. Mishler will provide the logo for the Orchestra to Katy for the Orchestra masks.

Old Business

Masks/Membership

Masks came in. They look great. Katy is still waiting for a logo for chorus and orchestra logos for additional masks.

Spiritwear items

Katy asked Linda to give Eric the list of spiritwear items that we usually sell. Katy will also email Eric the link to Waitz's website. We can get creative for things we would like to offer (i.e., power banks). It doesn't necessarily have to be a wearable item. Everything on the website will be discounted for us because we will be buying in bulk. There is a quick turnaround so if we have some offerings by the time the kids come for the first day of band camp we can hand out those items. The items can probably be paid for online because Connie is setting up the website along with the membership.

Boosters website/social media

We are pushing this discussion to the next meeting.

New Business

Fall Responsibilities

Responsibilities will be changing for the upcoming year. None of the typical things are going to happen such as the concessions stands, etc. How can the Boosters get involved? What can we do to keep the kids engaged and how to we provide them with the "fun" part? We could potentially do a monthly band bingo (host up to 300 kids online). It could be a fundraiser to play or we could use the money to give some spiritwear as prizes. Trivia nights? A lot of what the kids will miss will be seeing each other. They will only see each other half at a time. Virtual programming to all three areas - open to the whole music department. Question was posed if there was anything at all they could do together outside. Blow up a screen - have a movie night? Like a Drive-in. Parkland High School? Might need to do that off campus - limiting volunteers on school property. Shankweilers? Becky's? Levans park? Rent out drive-in? Needs to have electrical connection. No exchange of money...electronic. Katy suggested Any Excuse for a Party. For about \$600 they will set up a giant 26 foot inflatable screen with rear projection. Need to space the kids out with some sort of markings. Maybe do Tuesday night since kids don't report to school on Wednesdays.

Committee Updates None

Open Forum Discussion None

Meeting Adjourned

Eric Lasansky motioned to adjourn the meeting; 2nd by Diane Miller; Approved.

Next Meeting:

General Membership Meeting - August 17th at 7 p.m.