

HHS Band Boosters

General Meeting

Meeting Minutes

03/09/2021

Board of Director Members – all present

Dennis Marvin, President

Kate Sellers, Secretary

Jeremy Landfair, Vice President

Lisa Bean, Uniform Committee

Tammi Czewski, Treasurer

Alisha Spencer, Finance Committee

Lori Underhill, Asst Treasurer

Vacant, Volunteer Committee

Mike Emerson, Band Director

Other Attendees:

Evan Lewis, Alexandra McGowan, Lucinda Reed-Nowland, Dr. David Hornak, Beth Sharkey

Call to Order at: 7:02 pm

HPSD Bond Campaign Overview: Dr. David Hornak presented an overview of the proposed Bond proposal slated to be on the ballot May 4th. If passed, the Bond funding will be used to upgrade school facilities in the entire district over a phased in process. Dr Hornak indicated he is making sure the noisy fan that is a major distraction in the band room will be among the improvements at the high school, Dr Hornak is hosting community forums on March 24th April 29th. Detailed information is available on the District website, including the exact language of the bond proposal. <https://www.hpsbond2021.com/>

Mr. Emerson's Update: Mr. Emerson explained that he hasn't been sending out a lot of emails because there is not anything definite to communicate due to the uncertainty of the COVID protocols as they relate band classes, practices, band camp, etc. He is trying to move away from Smart Music for assignments because of lagging issues and submission issues that are inherent in the website. Still planning to have band camp the last full week of July, the 26th through the 30th, but not sure what band camp is going to look like this year. Definitely wants to have a band trip but cannot guarantee this is going to happen next school year either.

Financial Updates

Treasure's Report: No budget has been developed for the school year due to the COVID issue and uncertainty of what funds are needed to support the band program. Recapped how the wreath fundraiser went, corporate donors and the 100 x 100 fundraiser.

New Uniforms: Encouraging the 100 x 100 campaign. The donations received as of this meeting exceed \$5,400 which is a little more than 50% of the goal for the 100X100 campaign. A parent, who is a member of the IBEW union, suggested the Boosters reach out to building trades unions for support. He offered his assistance with these contacts. The new uniforms are now hanging in the uniform room as the result of a small group of Booster volunteers who helped using safe COVID protocols in the process.

Other Fundraising: A parent asked if the Boosters is planning a can drive? The Boosters only collects cans during band camp which was not held last year due to the COVID pandemic. The can drive may resume if camp is held in 2021.

The “old” marching band uniform sales launches tomorrow. This will include the uniform itself in its separate pieces, or as a whole. In addition, old uniform pieces are also being made into pillows as another option. Order forms with payment due by April 1st. No distribution date set. This will depend on how things open up and the size of the orders. The form will be available on the website and Facebook. Payments need to be mailed into the school c/o Mr. Emerson with the possibility of a PayPal option being established.

Spirit wear sales will be started once the uniforms sales are finished.

General Comments: Mr Lewis, Jr High Band Director, said that 40 year old uniforms are still stored at the junior high band room and asked what he should do with these. Uniform Committee Chair Lisa Bean said she would contact him directly to discuss. No other member comments.

Next Meeting: Annual Meeting May 11th, 2021. This meeting is to elect the board for the school year 2021-2022.

Adjourned: 8:07pm