

May 14th Music Boosters – Meeting Minutes

President Report

- Summer meeting dates to work on restructure of FLAMB
 - Proposed Committee Structure
 - Advocacy Committee – Chair: FLAMB President
Purpose: Work with groups of parents to present and promote music issues to school administration and the community.
 - Fundraising Committee – Chairs: FLAMB Fundraising Chair and Treasurer
Purpose: Organizer fundraisers so students can earn money toward trips, camps, etc. Also hold events to raise money to meet larger needs of music department (new instruments, formal wear, field trips, etc). Oversee FLAMB scholarship.
 - Outreach Committee – FLAM Vice-President and Secretary
Purpose: Promote music students and activities in the community through newspaper articles, representing FLAMB at concerts and community events, and setting up “gigs” for student groups in the community.
 - FLAMB presence (table) at all concerts
 - Restructure meetings:
 - Executive committee takes care of “business” at monthly meetings
 - General quarterly meeting for parents and to get trip updates
- Update on Bjoraker family – Thank you note read at concert. Family very thankful. Family has moved into a rental property.
 - **Go Fund Me page:** <https://www.gofundme.com/help-rob-amp-mary>
 - Has list of items needed.
- Update on Save our School Music
 - School district still has not made a decision on Montessori school if it will remain open or not.
 - School Board made it clear that it is either the Montessori or some part of the music program will be cut.
 - **Need to call our Representatives to ask the Gov to pass the Emergency Funding Bill.** Would mean over \$1M for the district.
 - Vote YES committee is being organized for the fall Levy. **Will need many participants to help push that forward.**
 - Dr Massey indicated that he would not support a task force to be formed for the music dept.
 - However, he did agree to have Dr Benham come in and meet and consult the directors on how the district may be restructured to better support the music program.

Vice President Report

- No updates.

Treasurer Report

- Overall \$58,350.06. No break down of how much is in student accounts vs general/high school account.

Secretary Report

- Kelly Biedny is willing to be FLAMB Secretary for next year.
- Send out Bethel and Pops concert notes to directors and ask them to answer and then finalize.

Fundraising Report

- Candy Bars – Lots of boxes (30?) still to be sold
 - Candy bars and boxes - \$60 per box - \$28.50 goes to student acct - \$1.50 goes to FLAMB – student brings
- Scandinavia Trip 2020 - Directors are working on survey for parents about the trip. Things like when to take the next music trip. Spring Break or after school is out. Spring Break would be tight, only so many days. After school would allow for a longer trip. Meeting with Gary at Good News Travel on 5/29 – Estimated cost = \$3800
 - Goal/Benefits:
 - Choral music will learn a lot from the Scandinavian / MN background
 - International travel experience
- Root Beer Floats – Michelle – what do we do with 99 ice cream cups left?
 - There is one more concert – maybe 60 will be sold
 - Directors can use extras for the Senior picnic on Sunday
 - Could use one more person on for Tuesday's concert – Sign-up Genius
- Papa Murphy's Pizza Card fundraiser – Owner wants to give exclusive rights to the Music dept
 - \$20 per card - \$15 goes into student account – good at 8 local locations
 - Laura confirmed that we will do it in the fall.
 - Will have a limited window to sell of 4 – 6 weeks.
 - Need to know how many to order – Decided on 150 and then can order more if they sell out.
- Any other good fundraising ideas / connections are welcomed.
 - Purse Bingo at the Legion
 - Dueling Pianos could be used to help fund the music trip cost
 - Cub Bagging – Tri-M would like help with this
 - Parents Night Out – high school students supervise the kids

Old Business

- Scholarship Committee – On hold at the moment.
 - Would like to have it in place to issue some scholarships for the spring of 2019.
- Tux Cleaning – Most were cleaned, FLAMB will pay for the ones that were not.

New Business

- New officers needed for next year (Secretary-covered, Treasurer)
 - Do we consider providing an incentive to parents to participate?
 - Reduced trip fees
 - Chaperone opportunities already available
 - Maybe make it required that they hold the position the year before and of a trip
 - Maybe have 3 major meetings per year
- Question raised again: How do we get more parent involvement in FLAMB
 - Personal invite – we need to invite others
 - Need to change the perception that FLAMB is just about fundraising
 - This can be addressed through the “restructure” efforts

Summer Meeting Schedule

- Laura will send out some dates and meeting agendas

Meeting adjourned at 8:07