

**Revere Music Parents' Association (RMPA) Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2022**

Participants: Dave Balnave, Katie Gehring, John Leong, Darren LeBeau, Sierra Pabon, Joshua Bowman, Jennifer Restivo, Ellen Anderson, Hillary Steiger, Melanie Nigro, Shelli Uher, Pam Cadile Firca, Amy Raubenolt, Shawn Grandon, Tony Nigro, Amanda Pospisil

Welcome: Dave Balnave called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM

Band and Choir Council Presidents Report - Cassie Keaton

- No report

Director's Report – Darren LeBeau

- All the bands had a great Bands in the Round concert.
- The band will be honored in a march-out/clap-out on Friday, November 4 in advance of the OMEA state contest.
- Saturday, November 5 is the state OMEA competition at Median High School.
- Continuing to work on a prototype of new band and color guard uniforms.
- Students are working on auditions for chair placement for concert bands.
- Combined band and choir holiday concert is scheduled for December 13.

Choir- Sierra Pabon

- The Choir's fall concert on October 25 was a success.
- 6-12th grade choir and orchestra are participating in a fundraiser. Items will be delivered before Christmas.

Middle School Band- Katie Pflueger

- No report

Orchestra- Joshua Bowman

- The orchestra program is selling T-shirts for \$10. Orders will be taken through Friday, November 4. Email Mr. Bowman with name and t-shirt size to place an order.
- The orchestra will perform a concert on Monday, December 12.

Vice President's Report - Dave Balnave

- No report

Secretary's Report - Katie Gehring

- A motion to approve the September meeting minutes was made by Ellen Anderson and seconded by Jen Restivo.
- A motion to approve the October minutes was made by John Leong and seconded by Ellen Anderson.

Treasurer's Report - Dave Balnave in Kathy Torma's absence

- Dave reminded committee chairs to submit receipts to Kathy for reimbursement.

Chairperson's Reports

Communications - John Leong

- With Marching Band season wrapping up, parent will be receiving fewer emails from John.

Invitational- Debbie Hermann, Marianne Grandon Melanie Nigro (shadow)

- No report

Bands in the Round Dinner- Katie Gehring

- RMPA sold 340 tickets to the Band in the Round Dinner.
- Thank you to the band families for donating items for the dinner.
- Chair position is open.

Tag Day - Ellen Anderson

- No report

Banquets - Katie Gehring

- Sunday, November 13 at St. George's.
- Melanie Nigro suggested idea for banquet centerpieces. Katie will host a crafty night on November 10 to create centerpieces.
- Volunteers needed at 4 p.m. on November 13 to assist with Banquet set up. Several RMPA members volunteers to come early to help.

Hospitality - Jen Restivo

- Hospitality will provide pizza in advance of the OMEA state contest on November 5

Concessions - Ellen and Willie Anderson

- A selection of concession items will be provided to students for the pre-OMEA lunch on November 5.
- Kathy will be speaking with the Athletic boosters to see if they can purchase any of the leftover stock from the Minutemen Cafe.

Uniforms - Peggy Littlefield

- No report.

Chaperones - Pam Firca, Caroline Franklyn

- With purchase of new uniforms, bleacher cushions should also be replaced.
- An email will be sent to parent to remind students of appropriate conduct on buses during travel to competitions. Chaperones will remind students of the code of conduct and ensure students are listening to bus driver instructions.

Roadies - Shawn Grandon

- Roadies are all set for OMEA states on November 5.
- Will need to recruit additional new volunteers for 2023 season to replace members whose students are graduating at the end of the school year.

Cookie Shack - Christy Pillitiere, Heather Haydu

- No report

Website - David Neidlinger

- No report

Fundraising - Amanda Pospisil

- Planning 2 restaurant nights for December and February.
- Fill the Truck event is planned for March 18.
- Exploring sale of old Marching Band uniforms as a fundraiser.

Choir Liaison - Wendy Creveling

- No report.

Color/Winter Guard Liaison - Harmony Myers

- No report.

Photography - Kelley Brubaker

- No report.

Publicity- OPEN**Old Business**

- None

New Business

- RMPA members discussed need for parent volunteers to replace and fill open roles. Several ideas were suggested including ensuring that volunteer openings and position descriptions are detailed on the Revere Music website and including volunteer expectations and position information in a packet for parents, hosting a spring event as a send off for senior parents and welcome to incoming parents, send a survey to get parent input on RMPA programs, holding a parents' night pre-band camp to get organized for the upcoming season.
- December RMPA meeting will be moved to December 14 at Whitey's in Richfield to celebrate the season and recruit new volunteers.

A motion to adjourn by Melanie Nigro was seconded by Amy Raubenolt at 8:45 p.m.