

Revere Music Parents' Association (RMPA) Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 4, 2022

Participants: Katie Gehring, Jennifer Restive, John Leong, Kathy Torma, Hillary Steiger, Jennifer Waldron, Melanie Nigro, Ellen Anderson, Candice Menke, Pam Cadile Firmo, Shawn Grandon, Leran Campbell, Sherry Flisby, David Neidlinger, Jennifer Palmer, Ronnie Morrison, Bob Cook, Kelly Heider, Marianne Grandon, Julie Slecato, Deb Hermann, Angela Scherer

Welcome: Deb Hermann called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM

Band and Choir Council Presidents Report - Cassie Keaton

Director's Report – Darren LeBeau

- 3-4 weeks remain in the football season and the band is doing a nice job.
- Rehearsal location has been updated for 10/8.
- RHS is observing Spirit Week this week in advance of the game against Copley. Next week is Homecoming and three band members are on the Homecoming Court.
- State OMEA contest will be held on November 5 at Medina High School.
- 5th grade band is coming together.
- New Uniforms are in process with RMPA and the school district splitting the cost of the new uniforms. Dr. LeBeaus is hoping to reveal the new design at the Bands in the Round concert. The uniforms will be ordered in January and all the kids will be sized early next year.

Choir- Sierra Pabon

- Choir leadership is looking at opportunities to grow participation with the choral groups. The A Cappella group has doubled in size since the start of the school year.
- The Choir group also has fundraising ideas.

Middle School Band- Katie Pflueger

- RMS Band is going well.
- Band students assisted with tasks at the invitational.

Orchestra- Joshua Bowman

- There is a full compliment of string instruments at Bath Elementary School. Mr. Bowman is looking for storage options at BES to house some of the larger instruments.
- Participation numbers remain steady at RMS and RHS.
- T-shirt will be designed and sold which the students will be able to wear at concerts.

Vice President's Report - Dave Balnave

- Reviewed funding for the RHS Marching band uniform replacement. RMPA will donate \$35,000 and the school will cover the remaining amount.

Secretary's Report - Katie Gehring

- Corrections were submitted for the September minutes. The updated minutes will be sent prior to the November meeting and the group will be asked to approve the September and October minutes at the November meeting.

Treasurer's Report - Kathy Torma

- Finances remain healthy; RMPA should net approximately \$20,000 from the Revere Invitational.

Chairperson's Reports

Communications - John Leong

- Keeping check email for updates. Choir parents can also sign up for emails on Charms.

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

- Deb expressed many thanks to all the volunteers who help made the Invitational a success.
- Marianne mentioned that leftover programs are available.

Bands in the Round Dinner- Katie Gehring

- Looking for a volunteer to take over this role.
- Bands in the Round Dinner ticket information will be coming out soon. Need to finalize Chick-fil-a and explore electronic payment options.

Tag Day - Ellen Anderson

- Donations continue to trickle in from Tag Day.
- Please speak with Ellen if you can assist or co-Chair next year's tag day.

Banquets - Katie Gehring

- Sunday, November 13 at St. George's.
- Ticket order form will come out later this month.

Hospitality - Jen Restivo

- Swensons will be provided for the Norton invitational.
- Looking for ideas for the New Philadelphia event- walking taco or Chipotle were discussed.
- Food for Feed the Band events should be donated in disposable containers.

Concessions - Ellen and Willie Anderson

- Concessions have gone well. Ellen expressed thanks to the parent volunteers.
- Ellen and Willie are looking for volunteers Ellen and Willie are looking for volunteers to shadow next year, 2023 to take over fall 2024.

Uniforms - Peggy Littlefield

- Uniforms were dry cleaned and returned to the school.

Chaperones - Pam Firca, Caroline Franklyn

- Discussed needing to update report times on the sign up genius for the invitational events. Chaperones can also refer to the updates send home with students from Dr. LeBeau

Roadies - Shawn Grandon

- Roadies parked busses and equipment vehicles for 14 bands for the Revere Invitational.

Cookie Shack - Christy Pillitiere, Heather Haydu

- Christy and Heather were unable to attend.

Website - David Neidlinger

- Updated the website with information for the invitational.
- Work continues on the new site.
- Recommendation to explore enhancing RMPA's ability to accept electronic payments and have that available on the website.

YEAR	MONTH	USERS	SESSIONS	PAGE VIEWS	PAGES/ SESSIONS	AVG SESSION
2022	October	612	813	1469	1.81	1:09 min
2022	September	1455	2336	4105	1.76	1:29 min
2022	August	677	1010	1810	1.79	1.21 min

Fundraising - Amanda Pospisil

- Chipotle fundraiser earned the band \$325.
- Continuing to work on other restaurant ideas and the Fill the Trailer event planned for Spring.

Choir Liaison - Wendy Creveling

- Wendy was unable to attend.

Color/Winter Guard Liaison - Harmony Myers

- Harmony was unable to attend.

Photography - Kelley Brubaker

- Kelly is looking forward to helping with Senior Night Photos.

Publicity- OPEN

Old Business

- Continue to sign up for events via Signup Genius.

New Business

- Please send invitational feedback to Deb Hermann. Thank about what worked well and what should be tweaked or overhauled for next year.
- Pam Firca mentioned that the soccer team may be playing in state finals on November 12. Dr. LeBeau should be asked if there is any possibility that a small portion of the band could accompany the team to Columbus to play.
- The Football team was happy to be given the opportunity to help with the band invitational. The team would like the opportunity to watch the band perform.
- RHS student may also be available and interested in assisting with volunteer slots at the invitational.
- Group discussed the opportunity to integrate music with sporting events by having music students sing the National Anthem and Alma Mater rather than using a recording.
- Reviewed upcoming dates.

A motion to adjourn by Ellen Anderson was seconded by Pan Firca at 9:15 p.m.