

TKOB – Band Parents Association

General Meeting Minutes for July 8, 2020

Virtual Meeting using Zoom

Meeting started at 7:39pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of last meeting's minutes:

Motioned by: Robin Giraldo

Seconded by: Al Wester

Minutes: Approved

Director's Report:

- Physicals – Dan DiMino is finding out about them
- Anahita Keiller, Director of Arts & Culture, is finding out about the safety of using the instruments. On 7/11, the Colorado State University is releasing a report on the safety of instruments.
- If we start rehearsal on 8/3, the rules are extremely stringent. We can only have up to a 90 minute rehearsal, students will need to fill out a questionnaire about their health before each practice, no more than 10 in a group and each group needs to be 10-15ft apart from the another group. With these rules, we have decided not to have a competitive season. Rising seniors have been asked for music they would like to play.
- For students who don't have their instrument, mainly PIT and drumline, instrument pick up will be on Monday ,7/13 at 2-3pm and Tuesday, 7/14 at 5:30-6:30pm. Melissa and Tony will get the instruments at 12 noon, disassemble them, put in piles and have them ready for pickup in the GNC parking lot.
- No one has given clearance for any get together for practice. Texas band directors are done for the season. Doesn't look like we will have a band camp. If there is a band camp, it will be shortened. All instruments will need to be cleaned by an adult with cleaning supplies supplied by the school.
- Question from Julie Formica: Have you heard anything from US Bands?
 - Melissa: They are waiting to see what the school bands are doing. Chris Vitale from Westfield HS doesn't see a competitive season. They are just waiting to call it. He did make a recruitment video for his incoming 8th grade parents. She is hesitant to create a video because she doesn't have all the answers. She has asked Iman to help with a short video to distribute to the band teachers.
- Question from Julie Formica: Some marimba frames don't come apart. How can we pick them up?
 - Melissa: Tony will organize pick up
- Question from Julie Formica: The cording for the marimbas has run out. Who orders it?
 - Melissa: I will order it
- Samantha Bennett's marimba is as Sandburg. Melissa can't get into Sandburg. She will get a Vibe instead.
- Question from Kerryann Silvestri: We know only Melissa and Tony can be inside the building for instrument pickup. Do you need help outside in the parking lot?
 - Parents can help outside. Post on Band app.
- If there are any extenuating circumstances, please message Melissa.

- Two new tubas and four new baritones should have been delivered to Nancy Arabia's house. If not yet, then soon.
- Question from Beth Cellini: What are the kids' availability for the last two weeks of August? What should the kids' availability be for band camp? Thinking of taking an end of summer vacation.
 - Melissa: Her gut is we are not having band camp. Maybe a couple practices. It is the first time ever not doing a competitive marching band show. If we do in person practices, that time will be valuable. Will be more lenient this year on attendance if needed.

Previous Treasurer's Report:

- \$50 donation by Allstate is for the Indoor percussion. Write a check to OBHS

Motioned by: Beth Cellini

Seconded by: Kerryann Silvestri

Report: Approved

Treasurer's Budget:

- We can't foresee what is going to happen this year.
- We tweaked the budget from last year, but if we don't have a season everything will change.
- Question from Julie Formica: If we don't have a competitive season, will there be Tech fees?
 - Melissa: If we have virtual practices, she warned the techs that it may be all voluntary for them. All seemed to be onboard. Maybe give them a little something virtual, but the full amount is not going to be used. See what we do virtually to see what we give them.
- There are 14 seniors, but one is not eligible for a scholarship. So there might be 13 seniors for scholarships this year.

Motioned by: Robin Giraldo

Seconded by: Beth Cellini

Budget: Approved

Committee Reports/General Fundraising:

- Spiritwear – Kerryann Silvestri – Talk to Sandi to get the old spiritwear
- Amazon Smile is now available on the mobile app
- Clothing Drive – Rosie DiSimon – Called 4-5 places. All are saying August or September for starting dates. She will email them again and get on their calendar as soon as they are available. We have permission for door 5 at the GNC to collect bags of clothes. Each student will get credit as long as they have five bags of clothes.
- Ink Cartridges – Tracey Paul will take over
- Fundraising – We don't know about fundraising so we can't offer the commitment. Fundraising commitment is in the bylaws, so we would need to vote to bypass the commitment this year.
 - Beth Cellini suggested we postpone this decision until the August meeting.

- We still need a Fundraising chair since our last chair stepped down.
- We need a baking table chair. We have volunteers, but no chair person.

Questions:

Robin Giraldo: Her son thinks he left his instrument at Sandburg.

Is there a way to get it?

Melissa: Kerryann has access to the school, we might be able to get it.

Julie Formica: Lucy Katriniak has the Y-bracket part for the marimba in Sandburg.
If you have access, we can fix it.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Motioned by: Robin Giraldo

Seconded by: Al Wester

Next meeting: August 12th, 2020 at 7:30pm