

Revere Music Parents' Association (RMPA) Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2023

Participants: Dave Balnave, Katie Gehring, John Leong, Kathy Torma, Kendall Morrison, Ronni Morrison, Carol Kraynak, Hillary Steiger, Ellen Anderson, Melanie Nigro, Tony Nigro, Christy Pillitiere, Marianne Grandon, Shawn Grandon, Bob Cook, Darren LeBeau, David Neidlinger, Jennifer Palmer, Amanda Pospisil

Welcome and President's Report: Dave Balnave called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

Band and Choir Council Presidents Report - Cassie Keaton

- No report

Choir Council Presidents Report - Kendall Morrison

- Choir members performed recently at Acafest, Suburban League Honors Choir and OMEA Solo and Ensemble contest.
- The choir is getting a new sound system.
- The a cappella program is growing and will be offered for a full year in 2023-2024.
- The choir will perform their spring concert on May 2 at 7 p.m. The senior spotlight will take place prior to the concert starting at 5 p.m.
- The choir will also perform at the Parish arts concert on May 7 at Fairlawn Lutheran Church.
- Auditions are taking place for next year's Chorale and A Cappella groups.

Director's Report – Middle School Band- Katie Pflueger

- The Middle School band is prepping for their spring concerts. Grades 7 & 8 plus the Jazz Band will perform on May 17 and the 5 and 6 grade bands will perform on May 18.
- Members of the Middle School Band will also perform at OMEA Solo and Ensemble contest next weekend.

Director's Report – High School Band- Darren LeBeau

- Symphonic Band and the Wind Ensemble will perform at OMEA Solo and Ensemble on April 28. Chaperones are needed for this event.
- On April 12, the bands will receive instruction from guest conductors from Kent State University.
- Revere Schools received 83 applicants for the RHS Band Director position. Screening interviews will take place next week followed by formal interviews. Finalists will be asked to teach a micro-session to students.
- The new band and color guard uniforms arrived.
- Anticipating 125 students for the 2023 Marching Band season- 100 in the band and 25 members of Color Guard.
- 29 students have expressed interest in color guard for next year.

Vice President's Report- Jen Palmer

- Learning new role and brainstorming ways to connect the schools with the RMPA program to foster more involvement.

Secretary's Report - Katie Gehring

- Preparation of the March minutes are delayed and will be presented for approval along with the April minutes at the May RMPA meeting.

Treasurer's Report - Kathy Torma

- Reconciled budget for 2022-2023 school year YTD.

- Kathy will be sending an email to all committee chairs requesting estimates of income and expenses by April 28. Information can be sent to RMPAtreasurer@gmail.com.
- The 2023-24 budget will be presented at the next meeting.

Nominating Committee

- The following individuals have been nominated for RMPA officers for the 2023-24 school year:
 - President- Jennifer Palmer
 - Vice President- Shawn Grandon
 - Secretary- Katie Gehring
 - Treasurer- Kathy Torma
 - Assistant Treasurer- Carol Kraynak
- Elections will be held at the May RMPA meeting.

Chairperson's Reports

Communications - John Leong

- John is transitioning communications duties to Pam Cadile.

Website- David Neidlinger

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Fundraising - Amanda Pospisil

- Fill the truck gathered 9300 pounds of donations from the Revere community and generated \$1300 for RMPA.
- Upcoming restaurant fundraisers include Chipotle on April 12 and City BBQ on May 22.
- Next year, discussed including a QR code to donate to RMPA on produced materials.
- Parents can purchase a full Marching Band Uniform for their students through Charms through mid-April.
- Remaining uniforms will be made into keepsake items. Looking for student volunteers to assist with the production of items.

Tag Day- Ellen Anderson/Amy Raubenolt

- Still discussing ideas for 2023 Tag Day and soliciting parent input. The strategy will be finalized by June 2023.
- Considering a hybrid approach and increasing online presence along with groups of students in person.
- For the upcoming Tag Day event, discussed providing a tag to every house with a QR code for donations.
- Looking at historical routes to determine which routes should be prioritized for coverage.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- RHS will have a music honors society starting with the 2023 school year. The society will have a service component and may be a way to encourage volunteers to assist with music events.

The March RMPA meeting will be Thursday, May 11 at 7:30 p.m.

A motion to adjourn by Hillary Steiger was seconded by Carol Kraynak at 9:01 p.m.