

South Salem Music Boosters

September 12, 2022

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:59pm

Introductions – lots of new families in attendance

Denise Majeski moved approve the August meeting minutes. Rebekah Guest seconded. Motion passed.

Terri Crall moved to approve the agenda. Jennifer Ackerson seconded. Motion passed.

Director Reports

JJ Meyer – at marching band practice. Things are going very well. Had first game on Friday, went smoothly. They are getting ready for the ribbon cutting ceremony at the YMCA.

Damian Berdakin – going well, feels so much better than last year, lots of energy. We're looking forward to see what happens with the trip and after school rehearsals.

Aubrey Dunham – August camp went well, prepping for fall concerts. Great enthusiasm from the kids.

Treasurer's Report

Terri distributed the August financial statement as well as the year end report (fiscal year ends on August 31). Negative fundraising balance from the flower sales – transferred to student accounts. Most of the fundraising dollars is senior accounts that were transferred after they graduated, since they did not tell us what to do with it by August 1st.

Music Directors are working on the lesson fund process, stay tuned.

In 2021-2022, the boosters had \$86,863 in income, spent \$94,476. Terri isn't worried, this was a COVID year and we were in recovery mode.

Alison asked about scholarships, Damian said the scholarship accounts don't exist, they come out of the program budgets. **We would like to look at fundraising for that scholarship in the future.**

Terri and Tiffany discovered an error in CHARMS, students were not given as much money in their accounts as they should have. They will be fixing that error and contacting students who were impacted.

Terri distributed the annual financial report. Predicted numbers for 2022-2023 are guesses based on past years, but the last two years have been abnormal. Aubrey requested more detail in her line items, for example how much was raised from Jazz Night. Alison said we would like to know details of fundraisers so we can evaluate which ones are bringing in money and which ones are not.

Fundraisers:

Charissa Page (Music Day) – debrief; created a document in the Google Drive with feedback for next year; need to get an event checklist and all of the documents that were used to live in the drive for next year's event.

Peggy Pearson (restaurant fundraisers) – no update

Tiffany Hamilton & Lena Ferguson (pie sales) – pie demo day 9/26; looking for student volunteers to help, will create a sign-up list for music directors; pick up day is 11/9 – will use cafeteria and ask for volunteers to assist

Lisa Holliday & Larissa Dozier (greens/poinsettias) - working with Tiffany to get the order form ready to go, will launch the same day as pie sales, Larissa and Lisa meeting soon

Lena Ferguson (ticket sales): Amy noticed that football tickets priced at \$7 each and wondered if we should raise our concert ticket price and also charge a uniform amount. Lena is concerned that we would upset families if we raised the prices 67%, what are they paying for, where does the money go? JJ would rather not raise ticket prices, would rather raise money in other ways (e.g., Jazz Night). There was consensus that the ticket prices should be uniform, regardless of the price.

Jen Ackerson moved to change ticket prices to a uniform \$3 per ticket. Denise seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Rose cards (formerly called gold cards) are almost ready to print, would like to sell those in advance, Tiffany will run report to see who has purchased to have at the entrance.

Adjourned at 8:17pm