

## **South Salem Music Boosters**

### **Minutes**

**March 13, 2023**

Attendance: Alison Fisher, Terri Crall, Damian Berdakin, Peggy Pearson, Aubrey Dunham-Prince, JJ Meyer, Lisa Holliday, Lena Ferguson, Amy Ditzel, Tiffany Hamilton, Denise Majeski, Rebekah Guest, Ross Holliday, Erica Jackman, Larissa Dozier

Absent: Jen Ackerson

Meeting started at 6:30 p.m.

Denise moved to approve the minutes, Terri seconded. Minutes approved by unanimous vote.

Terri moved to approve the agenda, Denise seconded. Minutes approved by unanimous vote.

### **Music Director Reports:**

Aubrey: Choir had a event/activity every weekend the last month; Emma Harris-Clippinger represented us at All NW; All City was hosted at SSHS; scored in 90's for first adjudication for State competition (officially qualified); several students made it to state for solo and ensemble; hosted elementary festival (25 honor choirs).

JJ: A few students made to state or are waiting if they will make it to state; intermediate band festival last Thursday - won the stage (one point ahead of WSHS); Wind Ensemble qualified at George Fox the next day (good feedback from judges); League Jazz Festival for Jazz 1 this week; we are going to host a festival next Monday, all Salem-Keizer high schools except McNary plus Oregon City & Aloha HS (excited to host because we have the facilities and can make some money).

Damian: Orchestra also participated in all city/solo & ensembles as well as qualified for state competition (very strong scores); first adjudication last Friday for symphony and chamber orchestra, both did very well and it felt good; intermediate orchestra festival this week, we are the only school taking 3 intermediate orchestras to the festival; after spring break is the district and state competitions plus our trip to California.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Terri distributed the financial report from February. Chocolate fundraiser raised \$818.32 for the trip. Most activity was related to the upcoming trip in May. Is there a link to Amazon SMILE? Yes, but Amazon is getting rid of that program.

Tiffany has the online store set-up. Need to get the word out a little more about the fundraiser. This is a Square store and not a CHARMS store. Can link to PayPal but Terri will need to do that.

Discussion about potential CHARMS replacement. JJ said he would put some feelers out to other band directors to see what they use. West uses a combination of Quickbooks and Cut Time.

Tiffany and Denise have done research on different options, and would like guidance on how much we can pay for a new system. Wild Apricot was highly rated for non-profits as a new system to consider. Due to the upcoming trip and our membership expires within 90 days, there was agreement we should keep CHARMS for another year as we transition to a new system to implement Fall 2023; this way we have the summer to get ready and won't lose the data. Tiffany and Denise will prepare a comparison document for the next meeting.

Tiffany has sent statements to students who are going on the trip. The CHARMS statements are confusing to parents, so she has been answering some questions.

### **Fundraisers:**

#### *Restaurant fundraiser*

Panera fundraiser our total sales \$1096.43 and our portion was \$219.20 raised for the program.

#### *Jazz Choir Fundraiser*

Rebekah will take the lead on a CD for the event. Event will be limited to 100 people. Event is June 4th, advance reservations will be required to manage the flow of people.

#### *See's Candy Fundraiser*

Denise said it took four hours of work and she would be willing to run it next year.

#### *Mother's Day Flower Baskets*

Not going well right now, but it just started. Denise will send information to the directors so the information will go to families. Denise will also send information to Brianna for inclusion in the SSSH communications. Flowers will be picked up Monday, May 5th 3:30-5:30pm at SSSH.

### **Miscellaneous Officer Reports**

#### *Music Day 2023*

Music Day will be Saturday, September 9, 2023. This year it will be run by the board as opposed to one chair. Some specific tasks: routes, volunteer sign-ups, food, cans (including transportation), t-shirt, marketing, finances, and communication on the day of totals. We should use the Next Door app.

Damian suggested we advertise the sign-up genius to parents next month asking for parents/families to help with leadership positions, not the general tasks on the day.

#### *Social Media*

Erica Jackman is overseeing the social media accounts and will set them up using the SSMB gmail account.

#### *Officer Needs for Next Year*

Everyone plans to stay on as officers/chairs or has found their replacements for next year. Lena Ferguson will be leaving and Erica Jackman replacing her as ticket sales. Lisa Holliday is no longer running the holiday greens sale and Larissa Dozier will oversee it next year. Ross Holliday was here as the incoming Treasurer. Alison will reach out to Angelique Duryea about bottle drop for next year.

**We will not be using World Strides again for a music trip.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:53pm