

DHS Band Booster Meeting April 7, 2021

Because of Covid-19 and distance learning, this meeting was conducted over Zoom.

Attending: Annika Keeley, Mr. Quick, Mr. Slabaugh, Carolyn Fulks, Julie Morris, Stephen Inouye, Jamie Anderson

Meeting started at 7:39 pm

March minutes approved

Director's Report- Mr. Quick

- Jazz band is done for the year now that 4th quarter has started
- He is hoping there will be an outdoor jazz band concert in late spring.
- If he can get approval, he will hold several weeks of nighttime rehearsals that will lead up to an outdoor performance before school ends.
- Lots of musical PPE has arrived and will be sorted through to be ready for use when school opens next week.

Director's Report- Mr. Slabaugh

- Symphonic band is done for the year and Concert Band is starting it's last semester/4th quarter.
- With social distancing protocols, he can fit 25 students in the band room when schools open to modified in person learning on April 12.
- 17 out of 32 students are currently set to return, so he will start teaching in the band room. If more students decide to return as the weeks go on, he will have to teach outside.
- He has tried to make virtual concerts, but his doesn't have the time or software to make it work with a large amount of musicians. He is still hoping to get an engineer to do one.
- He is hoping for an outdoor senior concert in late May that could serve as the Senior Concert. All bands would play a piece or two. He would give out graduation cords and honor the seniors through a slide show or other presentation.

Treasurer's Report – Julie

- There were two deposits: one for an donation for \$100 and the other was \$0.44 from scrip
- The current totals are: \$15,875.42 in the money market and \$ 77, 270.14 in checking.

Advocacy Committee - Stephen

- The members of the advocacy committee are continuing their work in building a database of relevant music education/benefits of music articles for use in future advocacy.
- Stephen is continuing with advocating for a 3rd grade recorder program in the district to promote music education in the lower grades to spark interest in participating in the music programs in the intermediate grades and beyond. All 3rd grade students would participate, and the teacher would get a prep time. He is looking into funding, so all students would get to keep their recorder.
- An informational one sheet plan is developing. Stephen plans for a written sheet as well as a video. The video would use people active in the beginnings of the DJUSD music program as well as alumni stating how music helped with their success in life. These would inform new administrators and board members of the DJUSD music program beginnings, successes and benefits.

Discussion of ideas for senior gifts - Stephen

- Annika is working on yard signs for graduating seniors. She has some names of seniors and their instruments and needs more.
- Honor cords for graduation are on order.
- In early May, Mr. Slabaugh will ask for baby pictures of seniors from senior parents for use in the Senior Concert or Senior Car Parade, whichever we end up having .
- The Band Boosters plan to give the graduating 26 seniors each a \$100 gift card from Watermelon Music as a senior gift. Julie will be informed of the proposal and approval will happen at a later date.

Meeting adjured: 8:38 pm