

DHS Band Booster Meeting May 5, 2021

Because of Covid- 19 and modified in person learning, this meeting was conducted over Zoom

Attending: Annika Keeley, Mr. Slabaugh, Mr. Quick, Carolyn Fulks, Julie Morris, Stephen Inouye, 8 band families

Meeting started 7:32 pm

Welcome and Introductions – Annika

- Board members, directors and band families introduced themselves

Meeting Minutes – Annika

- April meeting minutes approved

Treasurer's report – Julie

- Expenses for this month: \$ 2, 652.43 for instrument repair from an 2019 invoice and \$215 for a bass.
- Future expenses to be paid- graduating seniors lawn signs and P.O. Box rental
- Nugget scrip income: \$83.28
- Julie will look into an expiration date on the Southwest Airlines credit from canceled Victoria trip from Spring 2020.
- A reminder should be sent out to remind band families to use Amazon Smile and Nugget scrip.
- Julie is working on 2019 tax forms..

Director's report – Mr. Quick

- The band directors got district approval to hold an outdoor concert on June 1. This will be the Senior Concert. All bands are invited.
- The band members who will rehearse and play in person will be considered a cohort.
- Mr. Quick sent out a survey to the Jazz Band to see who will participate. At the time of the meeting about half of the band had responded.
- He needs a drummer and will make personal contact with the two drummers.

Director's Report – Mr. Slabaugh

- At the time of the meeting, Mr. Slabaugh had about half of his students from the two bands he teaches respond to the survey about participating in the rehearsals in May and concert on June 1.
- This cohort will be students from both bands, Concert Band and Symphonic band.
- Band families should continue to check their emails about more information about the rehearsal days and times and other information about the concert.
- For both Mr. Quick and Mr. Slabaugh, they have until early Friday of this week to get responses to their surveys to be able to start their paperwork to hold the rehearsals and concert with the cohorts.
- Concert band is the only band during this in person quarter. Students are doing well and getting used to the music PPE.

Band Trips for 2021-22 school year – Mr. Slabaugh

- The current plan is to go at the same time as orchestra to Disneyland.

- This will likely happen around the beginning of Spring Break 2022.
- Past Disneyland trips have included performing in the park, attending workshops with clinicians and recording sessions.
- There still needs to be research into if the Disneyland youth program is taking applications for the 2021-22 school year, and we will need a planning lead to start the planning process.
- In order for the trip to happen, we will need to start fundraisers again next year including Coconut Grove.

Recruiting new officers- Annika

- Returning officers will be Carolyn Fulks as Secretary and Julie Morris as Treasurer.
- Officer positions open for the 2021-22 school year are President and Vice-President. Another position that would be good is a Fundraising officer.
- Two parents expressed interest in helping in some capacity, but the band families, directors and officers will work on active recruitment this month before the June meeting.

Advocacy Committee Meeting – Stephen

- This committee did not meet in April.
- They are continuing work on the database of article on the benefits of music, and Stephen is working on a video with people active in the beginnings of the DJUSD music programs for use in advocacy.

Celebrating Seniors – Stephen and Annika

- Annika ordered, purchased and distributed (with the help of her daughter) lawn signs to graduating seniors to help celebrate their high school band accomplishments during this Covid-19 affected school year.
- Each sign had the student's name and instrument played.
- Stephen and Annika would like the directors to write a letter to the seniors to accompany the Watermelon gift card that was proposed at the April meeting to give as a senior gift.
- This senior gift is a one time gift for the 2021 graduating seniors since the group lost some of their junior year and most of their senior year normal band activities such as concerts, festivals, etc, as well as having a modified senior concert.
- A new motion was proposed that reduced the amount of the Watermelon gift card to \$50 dollars from \$100.
- The motion passed.

Executive Session – Attended by Carolyn Fulks, Julie Morris, Mr. Quick, Mr. Slabaugh, and Annika Keeley.

- Julie led a discussion and asked questions in order to fill out the 2019 tax forms.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 pm

