

Peters Township Music Boosters General Meeting Minutes for
October 21, 2020 Virtual Zoom Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The virtual meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Rochelle Koerbel. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rochelle and approximately 20 participants were in attendance.

MINUTES

Rick Rothhaar motioned to approve the previous month's minutes. Ria Kartsonas provided a second to the motion. Approval for this change passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Rochelle explained one item was attributed to the wrong byline in the Treasurer's Report presented at the September 2020 meeting. This correction was made and reviewed. Annie Doty motioned to approve the change. It was seconded by Deanna Gallagher and passed unanimously.

Rochelle Koerbel presented the Treasurer's Report. She explained the various deposits (due to fundraising and PayPal) and expenses (PayPal, Senior Ad). Beginning general ledger was \$80,934 and closed the month with \$79,602.45.

Ria Kartsonas motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report with a second from Deanna Gallagher. It was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Rochelle took a moment to recognize and appreciate the efforts of Annie Doty for her efforts and contributions toward Senior Recognition Night. Balloons that in the past cost about \$300, Annie found for \$34. She also made the bouquets. Also recognized were Rita Kartsonas and Cheryl Ferris. The PT Music Boosters thank them all for their contributions to such a lovely evening! Rochelle also mentioned that there was a nice writeup of the Marching Band in the 10/12 edition of the Observer Report

Committee Openings: Suzanne MacKay explained that there is an open position for the Spring for Co-Chair for the Band Banquet (April 29, 2021). This person would take over next year for Carol Aurin, who has a graduating senior. Cari Williams in stepping in for the yearbook. Mr. Peraza will be taking over the Eblasts and Website. Mrs. Gallagher will be Rookie Coordinator. We will be looking for a new person to coordinate the sales of Sarris Candy for next year, as Sue Dietzel also has a graduating senior. Rochelle and Sue will come up with a list of committees/chairs for next season.

Marching Band Update: Rochelle told the group that the Parent Preview Night is tentatively scheduled for November 5. This is up in the air due to the football playoff schedule. If Peters Twp. wins this next game, that there would be a home game on October 30th in which the marching band will play. If that game is won, Peters would be the top seed for the November 6th game, which might be played at home. Mr. Barney is asking that kids request off of work for those days in anticipation.

Fundraisers:

Meatballs and Music: How this will work has not been finalized. The date is secured in the new High School in April.

Pies and Strombolis: This fundraiser is moving forward. We will not have sugar-free option, blackberry pie or red raspberry pie. This will be a quick turnaround fundraiser as it was just approved by the Athletic Department. Delivery date will be November 14. Orders are due by November 2, although if needed, Katie can add on some additional orders. The order form is on the website but needs to be revised. This can be shared on social media, as Katie is willing to take orders from the public.

Dine and Donate: Michelle Hoffman explained that we received the higher profit percentage during this last Chipotle fundraiser. Firehouse Subs Dine and Donate is November 14 and 15, where the PTMB will receive 20% of purchases. Michelle proposed that Eternally Yours popcorn has offered to give us a month to sell popcorn. This is a locally owned company, and we could sell from November 16 to December 15. Online ordering would be with a flat \$5 shipping fee and it would be delivered right to their homes. PTMB would reap 25%. A lot of previous locations are not doing Dine and Donate due to COVID-19 restrictions (seating). Lisa Rothhaar is going to reach out to Jersey Mikes. Michelle is taking suggestions for new places going forward.

Lottery Calendars: Rick Rothhaar expressed appreciation for those who have picked up their calendars. They have distributed to 81 recorded members of the PTMB as well as some non-members. He encouraged everyone to keep posting on social media, as it works! He offers thanks and congratulations to all who have participated and noted that we need to sell a total of 289 calendars to cover the payout and costs (if every day there is a winner). Everything beyond that is profit. Unfortunately, we normally collect at concerts and other events, which is not possible this year. There is a cooler on the Rothhaars' front porch for drop offs, and they are willing to send via USPS, if needed. Payouts begin 1/1/21. The maximum payout is \$6,550, but if we sold all the calendars, we would still take in over \$17,000 dollars.

Sarris Candy: Sue Dietzel discussed that she has ordered twice this month, and we have earned over \$900!

NEW BUSINESS

Rochelle provided the following upcoming dates of note:

4/19/21 – Band Banquet

5/2/21 – Pittsburgh Pirates Game

SCHOOL SPONSOR UPDATE

Mr. Perrotte and Rochelle discussed new membership. It's difficult, as teachers are not allowed to hand out paper. Mr. Perrotte is going to put something out on Canvas and expressed it's rough trying to get members this year. Rochelle is going to send out an Eblast focused more on membership. Mr. Barney had no real updates to provide. Mr. Perrotte said this is a devastating year for the kids. There is no Chorus at all in grades 4-6. There are no wind instruments at any level. No ensembles in 4-5th grade. In 6th grade, they cannot hold rehearsals. Participant numbers are down in the high school, but the big dropoff is at the 5/6th grade level. Mr. Perrotte does see, however, good participation numbers in 4th grade. Although difficult for the kids, he hopes that perhaps this time for them will teach resiliency, and appreciation for things in the future. Rochelle emphasized that if there is anything that he or Mr. McGough can find for the kids to do, that there is a PTMB budget set aside for them, and that we are more than happy to work with

them to get things (music, etc.) for the kids. Mr. McGough realized that they need to work toward something and is talking about recording holiday tunes to push out digitally. Also, looking to maybe do an invitational event in the spring – like a band festival.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Ria Kartsonas made the motion to adjourn at 8:32, and this was seconded by Lisa Rothhaar.

Motion was passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: Wednesday November 18 at 7:00 p.m. – Location TBD

Submitted by Sue Dietzel (Secretary)