

Peters Township Music Boosters General Meeting Minutes for January 20, 2021

Virtual Zoom Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The virtual meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Rochelle Koerbel. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rochelle and approximately 20 participants were in attendance.

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Michelle Skillings presented the January 2021 Treasurer's Report. The starting balance of the General Fund was \$83,053.65. It ended with \$95,394.19. Much of the month's activity is due to income from Lottery Calendars and interest payments. Expenses were due to reimbursements (Sue Dietzel and Rochelle Koerbel), website costs (\$90), Lottery Calendar and a correction check for Jane's Strombolis.

Rick Rothhaar motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report, and Ria Kartsonas provided a second. Approval passed unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

Committee Openings: Suzanne MacKay provided that committee chair needs are the same as last month. Carol Aurin is still looking for a shadow for the Marching Band Banquet. Rochelle offered that the banquet is still in the plan, barring COVID restrictions. We need someone to take over for the 2021/2022 season, as Carol has a graduating senior. We are still looking for help with the Yearbook as well as the Marching Band Festival next year. Sue Dietzel is looking to hand the Sarris Candy Fundraiser over, as this is her last year as well. Rochelle asked that all who are giving up a committee to please document a handbook/plan for your successor.

Fundraisers:

Meatballs and Music: This is on the calendar for April 24. As of now, band instruments and singing are not happening, however orchestra is playing. If unable to do a live musical event, Rochelle is considering that a virtual event may be possible, with a takeout dinner. Thought is being given to perhaps reducing the number of baskets for auction since it's been a tough year for businesses. Perhaps the auction could be done online. Rochelle's thinking that a decision on this should be made in February.

Dine and Donate: Michelle Hoffman has been working hard the past four months lining up opportunities. January's fundraiser was at Beef Jerky Outlet – there is no update of the total raised. This company is owned by a local family (Lingis) who have a freshman and a seventh grader. They have shops at both the Tanger and Grove City Outlets. The next fundraiser will be Girl Friday, as suggested at last month's meeting. It will span over the month, with orders being taken from February 5-11, to be picked up on the 15th or 17th, or order on February 12-18 for pickup on the 23rd and 24th. (NOTE: DATES WERE CHANGED DUE TO A COVID ISSUES) All can be done online. The Cross Country Team had the same fundraiser and did very well

(approximately \$1000!). Girl Friday online ordering offers a place for additional donations to be made. Delivery of orders are \$5 or they may be picked up at Maggie's house after 5:00 a.m. on delivery date. Although the Cross Country team distributed their orders at the high school, that proved to have some problems. In addition to her home, she has several pickup locations in the township, Finleyville and Bridgeville. PTMB would net 10% of sales plus donations. March and April fundraisers will be Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza and Panera. Chef's Spot Catering will be May's Dine and Donate. This company sends meat/fish/sides (think "Schwann's"). All are ready to cook or to be stocked in the freezer. Michelle thinks May will be better for this type of fundraiser, as people will be looking forward to grilling. PTMB earns 15% of orders for the first two weeks, and then 10% after. Michelle will be following up with Ekernally Yours to see how much was raised in December.

Lottery Calendars: Rick Rothhaar explained expenses (as described in the Treasurer's report) were due to postage. The Rothhaars distributed 795 calendars (205 were unsold. This is 10 more calendars than last year!) Very few calendars were returned. 10 were never returned and have been marked as destroyed. Gross revenue is \$18,450. Since the maximum payout is \$6,550, the minimum net funds raised will be \$11,270. Maximum earnings are now \$16,509. So far, we have paid out \$1,300 to 18 winners. Rick recognized the top sellers. Rochelle mentioned that next year will be the Rothhaars' last year. Anyone interested in taking over or talking about what is involved should reach out to the Rothhaars or Rochelle.

Sarris Candy: A suggestion was made to do Sarris Candy Flyer sale for Easter. Rochelle will look into.

NEW BUSINESS

Rochelle informed the group that Mr. Barney is resigning as marching band director. She is going to follow up with the school to see what steps are being taken to find a new director.

Rochelle also mentioned that she spoke with Mrs. Pavlik about the mandatory sensitivity training (mandated by the WPIAL). It is scheduled for February 18, immediately after school. This will satisfy the WPIAL requirements. Upon completion of this training session, the band is eligible to participate in activities, such as Music and Meatballs, the Pirate game, etc. Ria Kartsonas did not receive the email from Mr. Barney and wanted to be sure that the 8th-grade parents get the communication about the scheduled training time. Rochelle agreed.

SCHOOL SPONSOR UPDATE

Mr. Perrotte talked a bit about being at the new school and how nice it is to have something different – something to look forward to. Right now he is trying to give the students something positive to remember about this year. He is working on another video (like the Room 100 video.) The school's academic wing is mostly complete, but the fine arts department is not quite ready. They are still waiting for equipment to be delivered. There are isolation booths and a recording studio, but nothing in them. Once we get microphones, jacks, etc., he looking to see if he can use them with one person in the booth and do professional recordings. He hopes that it won't be more difficult to obtain approvals for trips next year, considering there were none this year.

ADDITIONAL MEMBER DISCUSSION

Rochelle stated that Senior Scholarships will open in April/May. We will also need to elect a new board in May.

Rochelle gave her thanks to Brian Abt for sending out Eblasts in addition to all his other responsibilities!

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Ria Kartsonas made the motion to adjourn at 8:26, and this was seconded by Charlene Rice.

Motion was passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: Wednesday February 17 at 7:00 p.m. – Location TBD

Submitted by Sue Dietzel (Secretary)