

Peters Township Music Boosters General Meeting

September 15, 2021

- 1. Call to order**
 - a. 7:06pm by Rochelle Koerbel with approximately 29 people in attendance
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
 - a. Motion made by Lisa Rothhaar, 2nd. Elizabeth Hardy. Approved unanimously.
- 4. Introductions – Rochelle Koerbel**
 - a. Introduction of new booster members in attendance.
- 5. Treasurer’s Report – Michelle Skillings**
 - a. PTMB has a starting total of \$65,652.15 as of August 26
 - b. Individual balances: General account started at \$61,126.56, Color guard started at \$4,535.59, and Rowdy Rhythm started at \$0
 - c. Deposits from ecommerce (purchases), membership fees, fundraiser, and donations
 - d. General expenses included vendor payments, orchestra hayride down payment, and reimbursement for fundraising items
 - e. Motion to approve treasurer’s report with one correction that membership should be 53, not 63 made by Staci McCullough, 2nd Jeremy White. Approved unanimously.

Old Business

- 6. PT Music Booster’s Membership**
 - a. \$55 for a full year, family membership
 - b. Members who join by December 20 are eligible for a possible trip discount and their senior students are eligible for a scholarship
 - c. Sign-up for membership on PTMB website.
 - d. Paypal charges approximately 2.2% per transaction, which is factored into the \$55
- 7. Committee Openings**
 - a. Yearbook: Editor and Coordinator for the MB Yearbook and Brag Book
 - i. A volunteer is needed to edit the document and pass it along to the printer. Volunteers are needed to create pages for the separate sections/instruments, which they will pass along to the coordinator. Elizabeth Hardy takes pictures at ever game, so lots of pictures are available. Yearbook is passed out at the Marching Band Banquet, so must be completed by early November.
 - ii. These two items are going to be combined this year for simplicity.
 - b. Meatballs and Music Banquet Chair
 - i. Need an assistant for Lynn Willison with the intent to take over next year. The Chair makes sure everything works smoothly throughout day. This fundraiser raises \$25,000 for all music programs and is where a lot of money comes from for trip discounts. Over 100 volunteers are needed for the event
 - c. Meatballs and Music Gift Baskets
 - i. A Chair is needed to lead the collection and creation of gift baskets for Meatballs and Music. We normally create between 100 – 150 gift baskets, which make between \$10 – \$11,000 of the \$25,000 at the fundraiser. It is necessary that we get this committee running soon. We will have volunteers sign-up to solicit donations and volunteers to help put baskets together. There is a list of previous donors for volunteers to call. The baskets and items take up a lot of space – if

this is the only thing holding you back, talk to Rochelle because we are looking into other options for storage.

- ii. A volunteer is also needed to do computer work and fill out corporate donation forms online.
- d. Hospitality
 - i. A chair is needed to provide snacks for the marching band during home and away football game, as well as water for both bands for home games. The chair puts the water in coolers/garbage cans and places them near the home and away team stands. All purchases are reimbursed.
- e. Trax Farms Funnel Cakes
 - i. 2 – 4 co-chairs are needed to work with the Rothhaar's this year with the intent of taking over next year. The Rothhaar's have a senior. Funnel cake sales from 9/25 – 10/25. Clearances are not needed

New Business

8. Marching Band Updates

- a. Time change for Penn Trafford game on Friday, September 17: 4:15 call time with departure at 4:45 due to traffic.
- b. Festival – Carlynton festival is Saturday, September 25. Report time for students is 4:45pm. Students must load instruments on trailer after Friday night game because it will be leaving prior to departure time. The trailer will not be accessible Saturday before it leaves for the band festival.
- c. Band Day – Cal U on October 30. The start time of the event is 12:15. The bands will rehearse, then play together during the football halftime show. The event should conclude around 7:30pm. Check calendar for call time.
- d. Chaperones – Please remind your students that the chaperones are in charge. If a chaperone asks a student to do something, they should comply. Students are asked to be respectful of chaperones and please no backtalk. Rules for football games are: No going to the fence to talk to friends or parents, no hanging out behind the stands; phones only during 3rd quarter; sit with sections, no food from concession stands, chaperones escort students to the bathroom, and students should be ready to play. These rules are for the kids' protection. Remember, chaperones are parents, too.
- e. Marching Band Banquet – Nicole Stenger has volunteered to chair. The event is Saturday, November 14 from 3 – 8pm at Hilton Garden Inn Southpointe. Parents are encouraged to come or you can drop off your students. Unfortunately, younger siblings cannot be accommodated – only band members and parents. There will be dinner, a DJ, and a ceremony to recognize band members. Volunteers are needed during the event. Please sign up on the website if you can help.
- f. Rookies – Deanna Gallagher held a meeting to provide information to rookie parents. Please reach out if you would like additional information.
- g. Meatballs and Music will be held on February 12, 2022. All of the ensembles from HS and MS are invited to perform throughout the day. Marching band and color guard will perform in the gym, while other groups will perform in the auditorium, black box, and/or lobby. Food is only permitted in the cafeteria this year.

9. Fundraisers

- a. HS Funnel Cakes – Whites
 - i. Funnel cake sales are from 6 – 9pm in the booth at home football games. PTMB can make up to \$1,000 at a game. No clearances are needed to volunteer. Volunteers must be adults; no kids are permitted due to safety concerns. There are a few spots left to volunteer. Please sign up on website.
- b. Trax Farms – Rothhaars

- i. Thank you for donations to this point – already taken in more this year than previous years. Currently in need of 12oz cans of Diet Coke, Diet Dr. Pepper, and Orange, 20 oz Gatorades needed, and bottled water.
 - ii. Volunteers are needed to set-up the booth on September 21 around 5:30pm. 2 full sized pickup trucks or trailers are needed. If it is raining, will move to September 23. 6-8 volunteers are needed to get the equipment from the band shed, transfer it to Trax, set up the frame of the tent, the tent, and get all equipment in place. On October 24, will need same kind of crew to dismantle and return items to shed. About 55% of slots are still open for volunteers – really need more help. Volunteers are especially needed for 10/9 (Homecoming dance). The how-to process is well documented.
- c. Sarris Candy – Elizabeth Hardy
 - i. Elizabeth will be placing an order in 2 weeks so that it is in for Halloween. The price is \$48 per box, for 48 candy bars. 4 types of bars are available, but you can only get 1 type in a box. If you would like a mix, you need to coordinate with other families. The order form will be blasted out. Our first order is usually the biggest order because of Halloween. There are usually two more orders placed around Christmas and Easter. Checks made out to PTMB and forms to Elizabeth.
- d. Senior Rec – Annie Doty and Ann Gavorcik
 - i. The senior rec game is October 22 and will include cheerleaders, football players, and band members. We will have a balloon arch, parents and boys get boutonnieres and corsages, and girls get small bouquets. There is a Google doc on the band app that seniors need to fill out by 9/21.
- e. MS Band Day is October 8. 7th and 8th graders are invited to band practice the Tuesday and Thursday prior to learn pregame. The students will march with the band during pregame and then sit in stands with them. This is a great way to get 7th and 8th graders interested in marching band. Students must wear a red polo and black pants. Info will be sent out to Middle School band and orchestra kids soon.
- f. Dine and Donate at Lorenzo's Pizza on October 18 & 19 from 11am – 7:30pm. A flyer will be blasted out soon.
- g. Lottery Calendars – Rothhaars
 - i. The Rothhaar's will pass out packets containing 5 lottery calendars to all members. We ask that you try to sell them. The calendars are based off of the PA lottery pick 3 lottery. You can sell more than 5. Distribution will begin on or about 10/1, but you cannot start selling until 10/15. Calendars are \$25 each. If you do not wish to sell calendars, just let the Rothhaar's know. PTMB made \$12,500 last year.

10. Spring Trip – Universal Studios/Disney

- a. Trip is scheduled for March 22 – 27. Please see August 26 General Membership Meeting minutes for additional details.
- b. Waiting on Southwest flight information to proceed with trip planning.

11. School Sponsor Update – Mr. Barney

- a. Only limitations are the requirement of PPE. Thank you to Mrs. Skillings and Mrs. Kartsonsas for making masks and bell covers so that students are able to play in school.
- b. Things are off to good start and concerts and activities are already on the calendar. They are always free to attend.

12. Orchestra Hayride – Michelle Skillings

- a. September 18 from 7 – 9pm at Simmons Farm
- b. Offering the hayride because the orchestra class is split into 2 periods, so this provides an opportunity for all students to meet and introduce themselves.
- c. Event is sponsored by PTMB and is free to orchestra students.
- d. 35 kids have RSVP'd yes as of Monday

13. Bylaws – Camille Bodnar

- a. The PTMB bylaws are due to be updated. Volunteers are needed for the committee. Rick Rothhaar and Jackie Beck volunteered, along with Camille Bodnar.

14. Spirit Wear – Annie Doty

- a. Contact Annie if you would like to add anything from any other music department that does not already have spirit wear listed.
- b. Cari Williams asked for Color Guard spirit wear to be added to the shop.

15. Adjournment

- a. 8:22pm. Motion made by Colin Fink, 2nd Rick Rothhaar. Approved unanimously.