

LHS BANDBOOSTERS MEETING

March 9, 2021 (Via Zoom)

Attending: Sonia Sowa/Ariana (sax), Lauren Siegal/Daniel (sax), Shelli & Jeff Faber/Josh (trombone), Rey Cobarrubias/Reggie & Reinald/percussion, Sam & Jamie Heskett/Jamie (sax), Gail Schrimmer/Bonnie (flute), Greg & Debby Margolis/Carley (sax) & Leah (sousaphone), Shivani Agarwal/Sidhant (trumpet), Siegels/Luke (sax), Diana, Ioshpas

1. Call to Order, Approval of Prior Minutes.
2. Treasury, **Jeff and Lauren:** Currently budget is in surplus, given less expenses and events this year. Awaiting Investors Bank grant payment, awaiting Costco and Whole Foods grant responses. Approx. \$220 in profit from selling giftcards.
3. Membership, **Diana:** No additional; 59 paid-up members. 64 was last year's total. Diana will send Mr. H. a membership invitation letter so that more Jazz parents are involved.
4. Fundraising, **Shivani:** April 9th will be Anthony Coal Fired fundraiser, with offer 20% return on purchases. **Sangeetha's** 2nd email push re: Giftcards was quite successful, with a total of \$4700 worth of giftcards purchased. **Gail** will send final email reminder, as this round of sales will end on 3/10. BB board members will help distribute giftcards. **Shivani** is planning a future ice cream shop fundraiser.
5. Website/Secretary, **Jeff, Gail:** Jeff is exploring free email/website options (nonprofit Google and DreamHost).
6. Snacks, **Sangeetha, Sonia:** on COVID hiatus
7. Pit/Bus/Tech, **Greg:** Bus key is held by Gabe, in Transportation. Tractor will need to be repaired or replaced.
8. Old Business: **Shelli** will need help identifying seniors in senior photos.
9. New Business: Need slate of new officers/committee chairs. Especially needed are replacement Snack and Secretary positions. New members needed, next year more "Senior" parents are leaving. **Gail** will send out appeal letter 3/11. Valedictorian (Rosa) is a MB pit member. Salutatorian (Kevin) was 2-year band member.
10. Directors' notes:
 - a. No in-person Jazz or Concert Band performances on calendar; awaiting updates in May.
 - b. Following parent/teacher/departmental push, Dr. Block agreed jazz sectionals can now meet at school.
 - c. Mr H reported that on 3/23 from 6-8pm, a free virtual interactive "master class" will be taught by Alexa Torantino for separate trumpet, trombone, sax, and percussion sections for both Middle and High school jazz bands. Possible future jazz bands performance on the LHS steps in June.
 - d. June 10 is Marching Band Parent Meeting, on Zoom. 8th grade group looks promising.
 - e. MB band camp is 8/21-8/27, with pre-band camp on 8/17-8/19. The first game is Sept 2.
 - f. Musical is 6/3-6/5.
 - g. Concert bands - too few kids attending class at LHS; perhaps due to vaccines there will be more live attendance, during next cohort change (in May).
 - h. Marching Band 2021 theme will be SUNSHINE (for positivity). BB are requested by directors to potentially provide money for copyright licenses, flags and some of the costumes/scenery (approximately a \$2500-\$3000 request).
 - i. Senior dinner may be an outdoor picnic; TBD in May.
 - j. Directors' scholarship decisions can be discussed at April Meeting. 23 Seniors could apply.
 - k. Marching band will replace guard assistant and add a percussion assistant (will now have 1 for pit and 1 for battery). Budget approved by town.
 - l. 3 LHS band frosh received GOLD submissions at regional competition.
11. Next Meeting Dates: 4/13, 5/11. Adjourn.