



ATTENDEES:

- Director: PL Malcolm
- Director: Cheyne LaBonte
- President: Gena Bukur
- Director of Finance: Jill McAuley
- Treasurer (Acct. Rec.): Molly Bell
- Incoming Director of Operations: Chris Swanson
- Secretary: Mandy Burkhart
- Chaperone Coordinator: Sakia Johnson
- Media: Allison DeSanto
- Events/Hospitality: Jamie Swanson
- Equipment: Chris Flynn
- Fundraising: Desiree Izolunno
- Guard Parent: Haley Smith

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CALL TO ORDER: Gena Bukur called the meeting to order @6:07PM via Google Meet

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES: Minutes from the previous meeting were approved and filed

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: PL Malcolm, Cheyne LaBonte (Past, Present, & Future)

- Recap of the most recent Town Hall: no band camp, no halftime show, no marching rehearsals this year. Band directors extend their sincere gratitude to Sakia Johnson for participating in the recent meeting with all of the county band directors as a representative from the Health Department, and for lending her expertise towards safety and wellness during this pandemic. The band directors are not considering marching season "canceled." Rather, they are hoping to reformat the marching season. They are hopeful that if the football team is allowed to play this season, they can bring a pep band to at least some of the home games. *Pep band participation would be voluntary and based on student comfort level, for those students who feel comfortable with participating. Participation would not be mandatory.
- The band directors are still waiting on final numbers of students doing which types of schooling so they can figure out classroom logistics, including spacing for social distancing.
- Earlier today the band directors held a band council meeting, there are other virtual band leadership meetings upcoming.
- Guard: Ms. Estremo will be sending out a sign up for auditions. She reports that she has had approximately 25 students express interest in participation in Guard this coming year.
- It's been decided that we should wait until school is underway before continuing the registration process. Band dues for this year will be: \$150 for new students (Fall), \$100 for returning students (Fall), and \$100 for both new & returning

students in the Spring. This will cover: some sort of continuity for students (most likely: at least one facemask, a polo shirt, a "show" shirt of some kind for this year, and cinch bags for new students) as well as help to cover the cost of the purchase of sheet music, instrument repairs, and the fees of Master Classes taught by clinicians. Instrument rentals will be handled on a semester basis. BPA membership will be \$25 for this school year, and will include some sort of perk item (shirt, etc).

In closing, the band directors would like to stress that it is imperative that everyone try to stay positive, and stand united. If you or your student is struggling, reach out. The band directors are here to help. We're all in this together.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jill McAuley, Molly Bell

Molly had been in contact with one of the school bookkeepers to see if we could utilize My School Bucks as an alternative for band dues payments. Unfortunately, due to the limited ability to track payments per student, as well as the additional reporting demands this would place on our school bookkeepers, this was deemed a nonviable option at this point in time. Chris Swanson suggested investigating to see if Square Invoicing was an option.

OLD BUSINESS: covered in Director's report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Operations: no report
- Band Camp: no band camp this school year

- Chaperones/Volunteers: although we don't know in what capacity volunteers will be able to serve with the band this school year, the Dividend application is up for renewal

- Fundraising: Masks: 12 masks were sold at graduation.
- Events: no report
- Equipment: no report
- Media: no report
- Uniforms: no report
- Tech Support: no report
- Alumni Rep: no report
- Snowcones: no report
- Continuity/Spiritwear: no report
- Color/Winter Guard: no report

ACTION ITEMS: In order to allow for the election of our board to be held, it is necessary to extend the 2019-2020 BPA membership term. Vote will be held via Google form, a day after the vote is held, BPA membership term for the 2020-2021 school year can begin. Board voted unanimously for membership term to be extended to allow for election to be held.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

NEXT BPA MEETING DATE & LOCATION: August 4 (short meeting for update on financials), August 24 (next Full BPA meeting)

ADJOURNMENT: meeting adjourned at 7:26PM by Gena Bukur (Motion: Jill, Second: Molly)