La Cañada High School Music Parents Association Board Meeting

MINUTES March 9, 2020

- I. Call to Order (E. Bohannon) @ 7:04 PM
- II. Approval of Minutes motion by Adam Kline, second by Michele Jones. Minutes approved.

III. REPORTS

- a. Financial Report (M. Bohannon)- handout
 - i. Student contribution payments, a few more made, now \$9,000 short, collections are still less than last year, continued trend of fewer parents paying over the years;
 - ii. Guard and drumline also have low number of payments made. Still missing trip money for Dayton, maybe due to concern about cancelation/COVID:
 - iii. Dinner show profits better than expected, net \$20,000, a few expenses left to clear, but minor; and
 - iv. Music Dept operating expenses: as of now, the operations are a bit over budget, so no more purchases this year. Mr. Stone said that that is not a problem.
- b. Instructor's Reports (Mr. Stone)
 - i. Festival 3-10-20
 - 1. has been scheduled a week earlier this year due to the theater department's play;
 - 2. Festival Preview Show will play two songs from the festival competition;
 - ii. New York trip music preparation begins and then Festival next;
 - iii. Drumline and Color Guard Competitions:
 - 1. They did well last weekend;
 - 2. Props for drumline are very cool;
 - 3. Guard is competing on the 20th;
 - 4. Marching Drumline is doing well, several weekend competitions soon. See Facebook posts for updates;
 - 5. Concert drumline doing great with several weekend competitions soon:
 - 6. The Dayton trip for drumline is almost here.
 - iv. The musical is in April;
 - v. Club LC planning to begin;

- vi. As always, the Instrumental Music Department is busier in spring than in the fall:
 - 1. Monday through Thursday and Saturday practices could happen for any of the above activities. There is a lot going on.
- c. Dinner Show financials (Julie Pao, Elizabeth Bohannon, Marshall Bohannon)
 - i. Miskey Mountain Boys were amazing at the Dinner Show and raised a good sum for the program;
 - 1. Motion to pay \$150 honorarium to John and his brother who are not part of our music program but played at the event.
 - Wayne Page moved, Julie Pao and Adam Kline second, and the motion passed;
 - ii. Live Auction Collections the live auction not in report and in process working on a method for collection of those bids;
 - iii. Need to address managing the decline in parents who paid for *student* dinners at 9-12 show. The food was liked by all;
 - iv. Programs printing cost for 9-12 was \$1100. We are still waiting on billing to update budget; and
 - v. All silent auction bids were collected and reflected in this report.
- d. Communications Report: (Elizabeth Bohannon)
 - i. M. Wilcox -Still recovering from medical leave and hopes to return next month:
 - ii. She is updating all social media websites; and
 - iii. Constant Contact is handled by Sandy.
- e. Festival (J. Stone, Elizabeth B., and Yvonne)
 - i. We will host 13 schools at our competition;
 - ii. It is an all-day event here at LCHS; and
 - iii. MPA pays for judges.
 - iv. Snack Shack Fundraiser (Yvonne Lim and Rose Malmberg):
 - 1. Festival guests are not allowed to go to our cafeteria;
 - 2. Guests and students obtain snacks at our booth;
 - 3. MPA parents need to staff set-up/clean-up, and the supply the products to be sold;
 - 4. Constant contact asked for parental signups. E.g., FUN join in, go to Constant Contact and signup!
 - 5. Setup water for hot drinks, soup at 9:00 am, 3 percolators are in the Big Boy storage unit. Yvonne and Michele B will meet to prep equipment; and
 - 6. Sanitizing wipes for students? What can we do to keep everyone healthy? We need further discussion so please contribute any ideas if you have any.

IV. OPEN FORUM

a. LCAP: Todd Royal & Wayne Page - handouts

- Dashboard handout about LCHS
 - o Big Picture is that we are performing very well;
 - Absenteeism is high and skewed by field trips, but not as bad as it looks, so please do not worry;
- Please email Wayne with any thoughts to add;
- Wayne explained the LCAP general goals (not the specifics):
 - o Goal #1 re staff, we yield to Mr. Stone's expertise and suggestions:
 - ALF music employees should migrate from certificated to classified – increase salaries and quality of instruction;
 - Support for employees (band tech part time hires) could be paid 100% by district, instead of by parents;
 - Elizabeth and Marshall explain to parents that the cost of band has increased and there is a decline in parent donations over the years. Concern for students dropping out of program due to the financial burden on families. Since Band groups compete as teams, we can't take only a partial team. All students are a significant part of the band, so some go without paying and this is a huge burden to parents who do pay. This structure is different from any other program on campus. The MPA requests donations/financial support from the same people and same group every time. Band is the second largest group after the Choral program. Wayne has program numbers;
 - o Goal 2 Program
 - Jason stresses that the elementary schools' program needs more support in music;
 - Equipment required for the program, instruments are covered by the MPA and not the District. However, they should be program-required materials;
 - Adam states that foreign language class sampling in early years is needed;
 - Octavia states that math programs are not working at LCHS. There are disappointing teachers. The Math Parents association is not effective regarding these concerns:
 - Monday at 6:00 pm on the 23rdth of March, there will be a small group meeting with Wayne and the board to continue discussions. An email invitation to follow.
 - o New York Trip audience arrived.
- V. MPA ADJOURNMENT 8:00 p.m.

Minutes by: Deborah M. Parker (MPA Board Secretary)

LCHS Music Parents Association 2019-2020

OFFICERS

Position Title	Name
President	Elizabeth Bohannon
CFO	Marshall Bohannon
Secretary	Deb Parker
VP - Communication*	Michele Wilcox
VP - Fundraising	Wayne Page
VP - Special Events	Nadia Ali
VP - Uniforms	Dino Lorenzana

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Position Title	Name
Accounts Receivable Treasurer	Jason Northrop
Field Show Competition Coordinator	Deb Parker
Database Coordinator	Jason Northrop
Color Guard Rep	Michele Jones
Drumline Rep	Dino Lorenzana
Home Football Game Band Coordinator	Genna Kern and Shannon Berry
Band Instrument Rental Rep	Yvonne Lim
Orchestra Instrument Rental Rep	Yvonne Lim
Band Truck Driver	Robert Torres
Marching Band & Concert Wear Rep*	Dino Lorenzana
Orchestra Rep	Yvonne Lim
Orchestra Concert Wear	Lori Silverman
Jazz Band Rep	OPEN
Gift Card Coordinator	Cecilia Nava
7/8 Band & Orchestra Rep	Adam Kline
Dinner Show Co-Chairpersons	Michelle Lynskey & Julie Pao
* positions assisted by Sandy Miller	