

THSIMB General Meeting Minutes - 09/15/21

I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Jeanne Mulcahy, President. three members and four board members as well as Mr. Karos were present.

II. Minutes – The minutes for the previous meeting on September 15, 2021, were presented for approval with one correction to the last name of Marti Heurich. The H was missing at the end of Marti's last name.

III. Financial Report - Marti Heurich gave an update on the financial condition as of October 18, 2021. Mr. Karos stated there were additional funds received that had not yet been deposited.

IV. Director's Report - Mr. Karos reported that the groups are looking good and final touches were being made for the state competition on October 23rd. After the state competition there are two more competitions one at Linganore and the other at Severna Park.

This year there are 22 band members auditioning for all county and 12 orchestra members auditioning as well. To encourage students to audition, band and orchestra members could audition or play in class as a test. The goal is to have the highest number of participants in all county. Auditions will be in late November.

There will be a tail-gait on Friday, October 29th from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm to celebrate the season and also because the students missed homecoming.

After November jazz band and concert band season starts and getting ready for activities in December.

V. Fundraising

5k

Elizabeth Hahn-Dantona reported that 15 people signed up for the 5k thus far. Registration prior to November 1st is \$25 and after November 1st is \$35. Mr. Karos mentioned he received funds from one sponsor.

The 5K will be from November 15th to November 22nd.

Red Robin

The Red Robin Fundraiser is tonight. The group was hoping it would be a good turn out.

There were additional discussions of possible other fundraisers with restaurants like Wendy's or Silver Diner in possibly late January or February.

Bingo

Shannon Goodman is working on the Bingo Fundraiser at the Brunswick Eagles. The cost is \$200 with a \$100 deposit. The planning for this will increase next month. It is scheduled for February.

Fundraising Letter

There was a total of \$2,880 raised that includes the amount raised for the donation drive. Tag day was \$720 and \$1,350 in online donations. Larger amounts were donated by corporate sponsors.

Scrop Weekend Bonus

Scrip weekend bonuses are available throughout weekends in October.

Amazon Smile

Jeanne encouraged the group to continue to use Amazon Smile the average raised has been approximately \$80 per quarter.

VI. Volunteer Positions

- Pit Crew/Chaperones are always needed. Aaron Mulcahey mentioned he is still short on volunteers for Friday's football game and Saturday's competition.
 - Prop changes include lights in front of mallets and a smoke machine for the train
- Fundraising
- Football Dinners
 - these are covered
- Publicity
- Website
- Committees
 - Audit Committee
 - Melissa Rollins is the Chair for this committee and will need 2 more volunteers.
 - Arif Shaikh will help
 - Bylaw Committee
 - Shannon Goodman is the Chair for this committee and will need volunteers.
 - Gwen Reynolds, a freshman mom, has volunteered to help.
- Scholarship Committee
 - Elizabeth A Hahn-Denton stated she can help with this committee because her student is a freshman.

VII. Questions

- There was a discussion about the different band classifications and the move from class 3A to Open Small.
 - The band is considered small because it is less than 50 members. It was moved from 3A to OS because of the level of ability. Due to the band having a lot of members that had not played in the marching band previously, they started in class 3A, but moved to OS after the first competition.
- For the state competition there is only one performance where the marching band will compete in OS only.
- For regionals there is two performances one in competition early and later in the day the top twelve from the early competition will compete, but this will include the top band from each group.
- Brunswick will still partner with Tuscarora for the indoor season. Mr. Karos stated they may look into adding a couple of other schools.
- Someone asked what the school policy on COVID vaccinations for sports means for indoor band season.

- The policy states that students will need to be vaccinated by December 6th or submit to weekly testing in order to participate in sports.
- Mr. Karos will review the policy and will send an email with information on the protocol.
- There have not been a lot of outbreaks in the schools, but because we are moving inside there are concerns about potential issues, so protocols change.
- Masks will most likely be with us throughout the year.
- Trainers for sports can do the testing but the schools will need to figure out who will do that for other groups including the band.

Announcements

- THSIMB meetings will be every 3rd Wednesday at 7 pm in the band room.
 - November's meeting date is a conflict with the T-shirt pick up. This meeting will be moved to the prior Wednesday on November 10th.
- Tailgate Picnic - Friday, October 29th with a rain date of November 5th.
- Kida will be on March 19th.
 - There are no National or Regional shows going on in our area. The closest one is in Pennsylvania about 2 hours 30 minutes away. Kida should have good attendance of nearby bands.

- 10/23 - State Championship at Towson University
- 10/30 - Linganore High School Competition
- 11/6 - Regional Competition at Severna Park High School

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
 Clinelle A Jean, Secretary