



September 14, 2021 Meeting

Call to order

Jody Halley

- Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

Approval of Minutes

Lori Toth

- Meeting notes from the August 2021 meeting were posted on the SMP website. Meeting minutes were approved and seconded.

President's Report

Jody Halley

- Thank you to all the parents that are helping cut and sew instrument covers for the 5th-12th grade band students.
- Thank you to the Band Bash committee for creating a successful event.
- Thank you to Hope Gloger and Anju Kotwani for working hard to recruit volunteers for the concession stand.
- September is a busy month. The concession stand is hopping with all the games but we need your help. If every SMP family member would sign up for at least one game we would have all slots filled. Please sign up, as a friend, ask your student.
- Tag Day is coming up- we need parent and student volunteers.

Vice President of Purchasing

Hope Gloger

- The concession stand is always looking for volunteers, so please please sign up to help out.

Vice President of Communication

Emily Johnson

- The Newsletter is going to be completed Quarterly.
- A suggestion was made to put concert and upcoming music activities on a Calendar on the SMP website.

Vice President Fundraising

Carol Olszewski and Kathy Shaughnessy

- Pie Sales will start at the end of October, we are still looking for a chair for pies sales. Pie sales will all be online. This position would include adding an order sheet to the SMP website, placing the order with the company, picking up the pies and then sorting them for pick up. You can contact Fundraising@solonmusicparents.org if you are interested in.

Treasurer's Report

Michelle Williams

- The present budget report will be available for review next month. Currently there are a lot of deposits and invoices right now with a lot going on.

- Orchestra volunteers earn fundraising money for their help at the concession stands. When they volunteer they are earning money for the parties that they want to have, much like the band.
- We might want to consider donating some money to the website GiveButter which is the website we are using for things like the Car Wash, Band Bash, and Tag Day. Currently this is a free site, but to keep it this way we should talk about giving back to them.
- If you have any questions about the budget, please email treasurer@solonmusicparents.org

Band Representative

Debbie Klein

- Thank you to all the volunteer sewers, they have been absolutely amazing. Special thanks to Naomi Kall, Lisa Schloss, Bekcy Hoyt, Laura Cohen and Ava Farivar.
- The band will be participating in the Hudson Band Show on October 2nd. More information will be sent home soon.
- Thank you to Scott Del Torto and Medora Barnes for taking on water bottle duty for home football games, ensuring both the home and visiting bands are well hydrated.

Orchestra Representative

Gloria Liu

- Uniforms were measured for both freshman and sophmores last week. We are not matching the stock with the measurements and putting in new orders if needed.
- The 1st concert is on 10/7/21. Hoping to get the uniforms sorted before that.
- A contact list was created with orchestra parents. They are hoping to promote SMP events more easily with this list in the future.

Choir Representative

Dana Lewis

- Robes will be repaired over the next few weeks. If you are able to help with sewing contact Dana Lewis. Debbie Klein will check with the instrument mask sewers to see if they are able to assist.
- Trying to get information to parents, but this is a difficult task.
- There are a few parents who have been helping to go through acapella and the ensemble groups dresses and tuxedos. SMP will help to cover the cost of laundry. There was a fee on some of the choir classes to offset the dry cleaning, but this might not have been consistent. We will follow up with Mr. Lewis to find this out.

Starlette Representative

Ali Krueger

- Working on polishing routines.
- The kids surprised Kelly who got married as they showed up to her wedding.

Director Reports

Orchard

◆ Band

Stephanie DeLine

5th Grade- They are on a 1 week rotation every 3rd week special. There are 175 kids signed up. They just picked out their instruments. The parent meeting was held and over 300 people logged in which maxed out zoom. It was great. Thank you to all who are making the instrument covers, truly appreciated.

6th Grade- Some kids switched to Baritone and Tuba. They will have percussion auditions next . This class is 150 kids. They are pretty behind due to Covid, but they are a very focused group and they are hoping to get them all caught up.

◆ Choir

Heather Kleman

- No report

- ◆ Orchestra Gerry MacDougall
 - No report

Middle School

- ◆ Choir Stephanie Bettinger
 - Middle School Choirs are finishing up the last portion of voice assessments and ensemble auditions. All choirs started new music for their upcoming concerts. They are fully masked and Singing!
 - The middle school is in need of a choir representative, so if anyone is interested let her know.
 - There is a link on Mrs. Bettinger's website with information, this is the link: <https://www.solonschools.org/Domain/155>
 - Choir dates for this year are listed below:
 - 10/12/21 8th Grade Choir and Strings Fall Concert
 - 12/7/21 Holiday Concert (ALL CHOIRS and ENSEMBLE)
 - 3/1/21 Winter Concert (ALL CHOIRS and ENSEMBLE)
 - 3/11/21 and 3/12/21 OMEA Large Group Choral Concert (Ensemble)
 - 4/9/21 OMEA Solo and Ensemble Contest (Interested students only)
 - 5/12/21 Spring Concert (ALL CHOIRS and ENSEMBLE)
- ◆ Band Rob Luce
 - No Report
- ◆ Orchestra Gerry MacDougall
 - No report

High School

- ◆ Starlettes Kelly Wilson
 - No report
- ◆ Choir Gary Lewis
 - Dana went over information listed in her report.
- ◆ Band Mark Mauldin
 - No report
- ◆ Orchestra Gerry MacDougall
 - No report

Committee Reports:

- Friends of SMP
 - ❖ Every family in music grades 5-12 are automatically in SMP. If you donate \$20.00 you will receive a SMP Magnet. All funds donated go directly to scholarships.
 - ❖ This is the breakdown of memberships:
 - 41 total members so far this year
 - 10 - 2019 renewing
 - 12 - 2020 renewing
 - 19 - 2021 new

Grade of children		
Grade	Grade	Totals % of total (rounded)
6th	3	7%
7th	3	7%
8th	2	5%
9th	19	46%
10th	9	22%
11th	10	24%
12th	11	27%

- Uniforms - Band uniforms are back at the cleaners. There have been a great deal of kids spilling hot chocolate, pizza, ketchup etc.. This will be the 3rd time the uniforms have been cleaned this year. Some families will be receiving a bill. There have also been a lot of instruments damaged. Mr. Mauldin plans to address this with the kids.
- Band Bash- Andrea Burland/Jody Halley
 - This went fantastic. Thanks to all the volunteers. Top to bottom all worked great.
 - We raised about \$13,000, which was the 2nd largest amount we have raised since inception of the Band Bash. Using Give Butter to purchase tickets worked out great.
 - This next year will be both Andrea, Jody's last year so we are looking for someone to shadow them. This was Emily Johnson's and Rich's last year so we are looking for a volunteer coordinator and parking chair too.
- Tag Day- Amy Rothenfeld
 - Tag Day is 9/25/21. We are on track as sign up genius is out and student sign ups went to the directors over the weekend. There are quite a few athletic events happening that day but we are hopeful that we can run most of the routes. We will keep promoting the event on FB and in band and smp pages as well as on our personal timelines. Please share it on your's if you can. Don't forget there will be pizza and other food for volunteers when they return from their routes.
 - We are looking for volunteers to stuff bags on Wednesday Sept. 23rd after school so if any student would like to help out it would be appreciated. Also on the 23rd from 6-8:30pm volunteers would be appreciate to help just get everything in order for Tag Day.

Old Business-

- None

New Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Next meeting is October 5th,, 2021