

Mount Lebanon Band Builders

Executive Board Meeting

February 13, 2024 – Location: Panera (Galleria), Private Dining Room

1. Call to Order; Meeting is called to order 7:05pm
2. Approval of Minutes from January 16, 2024 – Priya Sukumaran. Meetings approved – GG 1st motion; Jeff 2nd.
3. Elected Officer's report.
- A. Co-Presidents GG Strom & Cathy Neergaard
 1. Truck update – working with insurance adjuster if we need to pay our lawyer to write a letter to PENSKE. Jason is going to see if the district will get a truck for PMEA or we will use Budget.
 2. Fundraising
 - a. Hoagies (Super bowl weekend) – how did we do? Made \$340.
 - b. Spring Sarris Candy (forms due 02/16; online 03/22). Katie has received a few forms back if any. Spread via social media.
 - c. Totopo Spirit Night (02/19) – need to add flyer to Facebook/Instagram (done already). It will go up again in the next few days.
 - d. Spaghetti Dinner (Friday, May 10th) – cafeteria is booked. Working with Food services. Working on getting a committee together. Next Tuesday's 1st meeting(zoom). Jazz band for the night (need to feed them).
 - e. MLBB Board: Shaun Delahanty – treasurer for next year (put him on the slate). Co-VP = Priya & another person. Laurel – Musician Rep. Still need a secretary. Publicity – Erin (social media committee and publicity). Membership? Fundraising? Jacqui – Percussion rep
- B. Treasurer – Erin Drozda (review in absentia). Co- President?
 1. Winter Guard = \$28,189.69
 2. General - \$2135.80
 3. Savings – 5690.29
 4. Student – 692.75
 - Small ensemble concert - \$640
 - Will cover \$\$ Sousa Scholarship
 - There will be a second small ensemble concert (date TBD – probably in May) – Scholarship fund.
- C. Co-Vice Presidents – Jessica Concannon & Laurel Kennedy
 - Too early to start plans. Started writing final report for band. Memorial Day – 16ft truck (PENSKE). Did not go with Ryder due to account issues (need to register with dept of transportation).
- D. Secretary – Priya Sukumaran
- E. Director of Administration – Jeffrey Obuchowski. Prop chair committee to the signup genius. When we have it filled, pass Ron's number to that person as contact.
- F. Standing Committee Reports

- (i) Membership – NEED
 - (ii) Fundraising – NEED (Totopo – coming up). Jeanette Miller wants to do a Bingo night. Bar bingo? Football team used to do night at the races (\$15 a ticket). Band aid – April 26th (should be all the band families in attendance). Bingo = Saturday afternoon?
 - (iii) Publicity – NEED. Once we get a publicity person in place that would help promote events. Totopo on the morning announcements (HS).
- March meeting is in the auditorium (March 11th) – nominating committee together. Get the slate together.
- G. Director’s report – Jason Cheskawich
- Pep band wrapped up last night. 6 games. Great positive vibe. Enrichment for wind players. 1st time organized pep band. About 20 kids. Numbers were good every time.
 - Wind ensemble is started up. Joint concert with North Hills and Bethel. Later in the year with Seton La Salle.
 - April 26th – Jazz band at the Grove. Nice crowd & raised money for the scholarships. Hope to have a great turnout.
 - Narrowing down for next year’s gold show. The football schedule is not out yet. PIMBA – not sure date wise (October), week before championship. Need to put the permit in for the lights as soon as possible.
 - BOA – September 19th (Orbetz). Camp dates and championship (dates)
- H. Representatives Report
- (1) Guard – Stephanie Schulte0 Albert
 - Gold guard costumes will be arriving this weekend hopefully. 1st Bingo on Sunday
 - (2) Musician – tbd. Nothing to report.
 - (3) Percussion – Jacqui Zapko. Nothing to report.
- I. Unfinished business – nothing
- J. New Business
- (1) 2024 Budget – a lot of things need to be added & getting sponsorship pages done so we can start getting some \$. What was spent this year is relatively accurate to what will be next year. Increase budget for staffing. See if there is anything we need to add. Need to know how much we spend \$ per student. We can give a basic breakdown. Don’t think we will spend as much on props this year? – with a prop person we could avoid some scenarios. We spent \$2500 for the initial purchase (possible same ballpark number).
 - (2) 2024 calendar - everything is on the calendar. Keep adding whenever needed. Can we link the band ap calendar to the website? Should re-visit our purpose for band ap, website etc. have instructions on downloading calendar onto phone & shut off photo notifications.
 - (3) 2024 goals. Fundraising ideas? – citrus idea (kick off in August and receive before thanksgiving).
- K. Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 8:14PM