

Davidson Chapter

Meeting Minutes April 13th, 2021

ATTENDANCE: Keith Hughes, Shawn Malone, Luke Shultz, Vicki McGovern, Jen Canary, Sharla Buxton, John Todd, Barb Bray,

WELCOME: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Keith Hughes.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Carmel Elmer

- Minutes from March reviewed and approved. Motion to Approve- Vicki, seconded, Jen

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Shawn Malone & Luke Shultz

- All-In is going well. Students are getting back in the swing of things, playing every day and prepping for a concert.
- We are still waiting for the results from the Virtual Solo & Ensemble event that took place in March. Those results will be coming from the OMEA adjudicators.
- We have started both the Color Guard Clinics and the Field Commander Clinics. Auditions for Field Commander will be at the end of April. We have 7-8 really great candidates.
- Show Reveal is happening on April 28th in the auditorium. With our higher capacity allowance, we are inviting the senior to be a part of it if they would like.
- May concert is scheduled for April 12th. We will be sending audience member info and times this week.
- July 4th Parade is in the planning stages for the city, but they are going ahead with doing the parade. So, we are as well. Those dates are on the calendar.
- Disney - required to mention this at a Booster meeting, and we are waiting on the HCSD school board to accept travel requests post-COVID.
- The Hilliard Invitational is on! It will be organized a little differently this year, but thanks to Keith for all the work he has done to make that a success.
- This issue with Music and Arts regarding Handshue scholarship payment has been resolved and we can proceed with those lessons.
- Superhero Run - Last day to register is Sunday April 18th. We have 72 runners at this time, and we had to put a cap at 80. We have made about 10K at the moment - there are about 2K in expense and that should get covered by the registration income. The race week is 19-23 and giveaways, medals, and tees will go out the week of 26th.
- Recruiting and Retention (6, MS, HDV) - Sharp numbers are great, but instruments is skewed. We have plans to address this in the fall. WMS is a little low for both grades. Not the end of the world. HDV is in great shape - numbers are right on track with our 2019 numbers for MB and CB.
- Uniform fittings went SUPER well last week. Thanks for those that helped. We had everyone but 3-4 come through and every paid in full except 2-3.

- **Question from Sharla-** questions about recruiting for the Color Guard. It's hard to do, but it's a good visual addition to the marching band. Hard to get students interested for many reasons, but could we do more. Response- it is on our radar. We weren't able to do lunch time recruiting at WMS, but Choir and Orchestra at WMS helped pass out info and we got a few from that. We want to think about getting a junior guard. Winter guard helps too. The best tool is students using word of mouth to get friends hooked.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Delivered by Keith Hughes

- Very few expenses for this month.
- Superhero Run will be updated in May.
- Handshue Scholarship is changing monthly.
- Choir- no changes.
- Orchestra- 1 transaction
- Vickie- PayPal doesn't show up on this? Shawn- there is no PayPal account. The income gets parsed off to whichever account the money should be in. Vickie- someone should be doing the transfer every month. Hasn't been done since Angie Andujar left, so the accountability will take a bit to get caught up. Vickie- where does Square money go? Keith thinks this gets itemized as a deposit and applied to account. This might occur through Brian. We'll follow up.
- Weaver and Tharp have very little change to accounts.
- Question from Sharla- what does this money go towards? Shawn - Things have changed for instruments and uniforms. We make those happen through the district. So we purchase new instruments, pay for marching band instruction, pay for travel (rare), pay for competition registration fees.

CHARMS- Vicki McGovern

- Lots of parents have gotten individual emails about outstanding fees.
- In February, we were at 65% (12K owed), after a round of emails, we got down to 40% (8K owed), and now we are at 25% (4.5K owed).
- All of this can be attributed to the fittings process last year and the end of the year's Charms roll-over. We just we're in a place to track down some of these fees. We are in much better shape than we were.

CHAPERONING/VOLUNTEERING - Keith Hughes

- No news.
- Vicki- we talked to the incoming marchers at uniform fittings. Those parents got a ton of great information, pamphlets were there too.

CONCESSIONS - no change

PIT- no change

UNIFORMS - Jen Canary

- Fittings went really well. ~50 new marchers came through.
- Orders need placed with Ares, but we need to check in with older students about needing replacement parts. Can we do that sooner rather than later? Shawn- we can pretty much send it any time we want.
- Hand out parts for new marchers during the first 2 days of July 4th plans. Then we can address sizing issues the remaining 3 days.
- Updated prices in several places.
- Will need to do completely new show fittings for 2 classes (hats and shoes as well), so that will be a big summer task.
- Guard fittings in the 20's of April. We'll need a guard parent to help with all of the care of these uniforms. Sharla volunteered to help with the guard.

TAG DAY - Keith Hughes.

- No updates.
- Melanie is not going to lead, but she will help. We will need to find a new lead. Keith thinks there are 3 people that might be interested in helping. Sharla knows some people that want to get involved.

COOKIE PATROL - Keith Hughes

- Barb had to leave, but there are really no updates
- ** SIDE NOTE- SCRIP is ending. We had no heads up. Concern about money flow and who was benefitting from the money.

OPEN DISCUSSION

- Operation Manuals - Keith: Keep working. Does not need to be extensive, but something to hand off the job when needed.
- Vicki- lots of info was shared about parents volunteering and what to expect for next year. Google Form will get sent out for parent volunteering interest.
- Booster Scholarship (going into music). Not sure where we are, reach out to guidance department.
- Relaunch Parent Volunteer - Keith put together a video. Vickie- how do we send out emails and contacts once gathered from the Google Form. Lots of talk about how to get more stuff happening for concessions. Vickie- Can we give up some of the least profitable? Can we wrap in other people? Lots of complication there. A lot of discussion about parent involvement. But we do not want to give up the income. We just have to be careful about how we approach things.
- Parent Mentor Program - we want to do this again next year. We will need to do some work on this, but Vicki has stuff from Angie Andujar to get this started again.
- Invitational and State Marching Band Finals is all coming. Lots of help needed, lots of money, lots of work to share for all.

- Sharla- guard uniforms. Concerned about detracting of uniforms and design. Can we be mindful of the design elements. Shawn and Luke - absolutely. Summer uniforms are a different matter, but our show uniforms are extremely elaborate and definitely add to the visual affect.
- We lost a band member- AJ Glover passed from a health incident. SB will be playing a piece to honor him and recognize the person AJ was throughout his life. Sharla - Some kind of a memorial to add to the band space? Maybe give some time to pass.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jen Canary at 8:16, seconded by Vicki McGovern.

Submitted by: Luke Shultz, filling in for Carmel Elmer, secretary.