

Friends of Rockville Music

March 9, 2020 meeting

In Attendance: Alison Moser, Jennifer Fields, Mike Byrne, Jennifer Pesanelli, Isabelle Olivos-Glander, Nicole Sherlock, Michal Powers, JP Marple, Mike Stahl, Mary Carvajal, Anna Pfaff

Minutes from previous meeting approved.

Director's Report from Mrs. Sherlock:

Current and past events

The Musical (Hairspray) is currently in the works- looking good with pit orchestra

- Jazz band played at George Mason on Feb. 29 - great opportunity. Won best trombone section and Jacob Hertzog won \$400 scholarship (½ of cost) to go to camp by National Jazz workshop (Sherlock suggested possibly using director's fund to assist with some of remainder of camp costs). Also arranging Navy Commodores to school to work with students.
- Band Festival at RHS on March 5- students stepped up and helped out; band rated 1 and going to States, orchestra rated 1's and 2's
- Concert Chorus Festival at RM on March 11

- MMEA conference and Chorus All State March 13-15 - **cancelled due to corona virus**
- Chamber Choir Festival at Neelsville Presbyterian Church on March 18- **cancelled**

Upcoming events:

- April 24- Jazz cafe (fundraiser for Jazz band)
- April 27- Wolf Trap
- April 28- no school (Primary)
- April 29- States- symphonic band (daytime)
- April 30- Spring Concert- all groups
- Sat. May 2- End of year Music banquet
- May 14- Wood concert + possible performance of Wolf Trap pieces

Update on Disney trip: waiting for final approval by Mrs. Bensen. Nicole needs to set up meeting to discuss details. May have to be moved to spring rather than winter due to company needing payments in the next couple weeks to hold the winter spot. Will cost approx. \$800-900 per student. Hope to have info ready to share with parents at April meeting

Fundraising:

- Chocolate fundraiser- candy bars in the office. Will send home permission with students on Friday. When return form, can bring home box to sell
- \$1 per bar/60 bars per case. Several different kinds. Kids can return what is not sold.
- Discussion of how much goes into whole group kitty vs. individual offset for Disney trip. Agreed to put first \$1500 toward general fundraising, anything above will be used toward individual costs
- Jen Fields will reach out to Big Greek cafe for dine-out during last 2 weeks of April

Treasurer's Report

- 1 new member, 3 donations
- More dynamic drink cups sold! (\$105)
- Paid for ad in Hairspray program
- Paid for lunch for the judges at band/orchestra festival hosted by RHS

New business:

- Discussed need to plan for recruiting next year's officers at next meeting- will be April 20 since 13th is Easter Monday (no school). At minimum, will need a person to fill role of treasurer (Note: Nicole says that Charms has a lot of functions to track expenses)
- At May meeting will have election so June meeting is the transition meeting
- Suggestions from Ana Pfaff for ideas for next year:
 - Paid concert in April- fundraiser- maybe link to silent auction
 - make/sell t-shirts in different colors for next year's cluster concert
 - Extend FORM to middle and elementary school (Nicole mentioned that there is a relationship of assisting with instruments and other needs- recently sent flutes to Barnsley)
 - Kids' Night Out (babysitting/fundraiser with music related activities)-- next November

Adjourned at 8:05pm

Submitted by Alison Moser/Secretary