

PSMA March Meeting 3/16/23 Start time 5:33 End time 7:31

Present: Beth Lopes, Lauren Papa, Stacey Burke, John Machado, Tom Bodie, Tamao Buffalo-Ellis, Erica Duffy, Althea Tetrault, Shayne Martin, Trace Melody, Laura Flora, Alecia Pambuko, Jen Theran, Cathy Tsourides, Eveliz Robertson

February Minutes: Approved

Treasurer's Report: Current PSMA balance \$19,244.25
Marching Band Escrow \$185.00
Plymouth International Chorus \$750.00
Dunne Astley Foundation \$1000.00

President's Report:

- Summer Camp Grant- \$1000.00 Giving partial scholarships Total \$995.00
 - Exploratory Camp 2 @ 87.50 ea. \$175.00
 - Intermediate Orchestra Camp 2 @ \$125.00 ea. \$250.00
 - Intermediate Band Camp 2 @ \$125.00 ea. \$250.00
 - A Capella Camp 4 @ \$80.00 ea. \$320.00
- By-Laws update: Voted on changes and approved
 1. Membership dues time-line July 1st-December 31st will be voting members
January 1st-June 30th will be non-voting, non-members
 2. Change wording throughout by-laws to reflect all groups- Band, Chorus, Orchestra and Theater
 3. Update terms of elections to 2 year terms for all board members including executive board and eligible for re-election up to 4 times.
- May Annual Meeting and Elections- May 10th PNHS-
1 board position open- would like to fill preferably with Theatre member
- Rename South High Vocal Scholarship: Waiting to hear back from Jason Luciana, Choral and Theater Director at PSHS. He will reach out to Hannah's family.
- Mission, Vision, Goals of PSMA- Beth, Tamao, Luis will work on statement then present to the Board at meeting. Looking to define our mission.
- America's Hometown Article- Magazine being delivered to homes now! Thank you Chrissy for organizing!!!

Liaison Reports:

Lauren- PCIS 3/23 Orchestra Concert- Lauren/ Layla work PSMA table 5/25 Spring Band Concert

Trace- PCIS Spring Chorus Concert changed date to 5/23

Erica- PSMS March concert cancelled. Band enrollment is low. Andy L seeking help from PSMA to boost parent involvement. Seeing pattern of high school students opting for 1/2 year band enrollment.

Jen- Seeking volunteers for Beauty and Beast PSMS production 3/31-4/1. Saturday performance at 2pm.

Kim- absent

Beth/ Luis- 5/16 Spring Band & Orchestra Concert

Cathy- 3/17-3/18 Winter One Acts

Cathy/Chrissy- 3/22 Winter Pop Concert- PSHS- A Cappella, Chorus, Band and Orchestra
Chrissy- Winter Percussion Competition 3/25

* Additional Liaison table boxes tabled. Additional tablecloths and easel stands purchased.

* Discussion about Junior class not able to take Band course due to schedule conflict of tech classes and Concert band class. 30 students in 2022 unable to take band course. Bonnie Holmes and Mr. Neilsen submit request to North Administration to add second section band course to accommodate those students. Appeal denied by North Principal.

Fundraising:

- Town Hall Meeting- Need 3 people for table. Evelin Robertson will deliver Dunkin Donuts.
- Plymouth Calling- Raised **\$8244.83** after expenses. Will reimburse Beth for wrist bands and Ensemble photos.
- Concert Programs- Waiting to hear from Directors about number needed.
- Sweet Frog- April 12th 6pm-9pm Need one member to represent PSMA. 10% of sales on that day will go to PSMA.
- Indie Ferm- Date confirmed- Saturday October 7th at 2pm.

Committee Reports:

- Finance- Director request form presented at next meeting. Form will ask % of kids to be helped. Form presented to Directors in May and will need to be submitted by Directors by 1st week in September. \$8000-\$10,000 earmarked for Middle and High school Directors. Submissions to be reviewed /approved by committee at 1st PSMA meeting in Fall.
- Membership- Tamao discussed on-line membership form- up and live now on website. Membership will run July 1st-December 31st. Membership info will be given to Chrissy, Beth, Tamao and John.

Open Houses did not drive memberships in 2022/2023.

Instrument Rental Night- large QR code on Foam board for PSMA Membership/Info.

Seeking catch phrase to draw attention to PSMA

Need to establish and convey distinction between VPA and PSMA

Get PSMA into Theater programs with QR code.

Tamao and Chrissy to create blurb- what membership is, what it goes to, who it helps. Reach out to Alumni of Plymouth Public School Band, Orchestra, Theater, Chorus, A Cappella members. Run a Facebook/ Instagram Alumni post seeking graduates. Alums can help with enticing younger kids to enroll and retain students. Need to tap into past scholarship recipients.

- Planning- Beth is creating an event/plan for Fundraisers 2023/2024 School Year- to present at next meeting.