



**BHS Music Boosters
General Meeting
May 31, 2016**

Present: Andrea Ciplickas, Babette McKay, Amy Ratnaparkhi, Bob Aron, Cathy Lang, Tamara Corini, Norbert Staud, Greg Chow, Rosa Lee, Lollo Hill, Theo Hill, Yvette Young, Dan Seoane, Jeff Ashe, Cheryl Lenz, Romie Tucker, Liz Pyle, Steve Pyle, Diana Aboul-Hosn, Mary Katayama

Staff: Diane Wyant, Aaron Reales

CTO: 7:34 pm

Booster Elections

Andrea reviewed status from the meeting of May 12. Nominating Committee (Theo Hill and Greg Chow) announced that Jeff Ashe will be on the slate as VP.

Greg Chow reviewed: Currently there is no nominee for President. Four board members are required to conduct business; in lieu of a President, the VP acts as President. Babette McKay was previously nominated for VP, but is not able to take on the added duties of acting President. Jeff Ashe will replace her as the nominee for VP, and will serve as Acting President until such time as a President can be identified and elected by the booster membership. A special election will need to be held to elect a President or other vacant board positions.

Andrea Ciplickas mentioned that the bank will need to be notified of board changes, and clear on the acting President situation. Current Secretary, Babette McKay, will draft the change letter for the bank.

Andrea asked if anyone would prefer to wait to vote in 30 days on the revised slate of officers. No objections were made.

Greg and Theo presented the slate as follows for the 2016-17 year:

- President: vacant
- VP: Jeff Ashe
- Secretary: Romie Tucker
- Co-Treasurers: Catherine Sorisio and Amy Ratnaparkhi

Vote: Unanimous, no opposed. The new board officers will begin the 2016-17 term on July 1, 2016.

Honorary Membership Discussion:

Theo Hill raised the idea of honorary membership for past members (those no longer with children in the program). The by-laws were reviewed and have basic instructions, but allow for honorary membership with no voting rights. The main reason for honorary membership would be to allow those members to represent the music boosters at activities or as a volunteer. District screening may be required for some volunteer jobs.

Discussion continued regarding honorary members serving as board members. This needs to be reviewed. There was some concern of having non-active parents serve on board.

Will look into/discuss in fall. May require a by-law change.

Budget Presentation:

Bob Aron displayed the budget plan, briefly reviewing each line item. Some amendments were made during the presentation.

Expenses: reviewed and changes from previous year were presented. Anticipate a \$5800 deficit in budget as currently stands. CY expected deficit was \$4500, but not realized in expenditures.

Income: reviewed expected and changes from CY. Some discussion of what pledge means; all boosters are helping raise general funds for program.

Voluntary pledge donations are expected to be \$650 per student. Actual estimated cost per student is \$950. Additional donations and fundraising efforts are encouraged and appreciated. Band camp is \$155 early-bird cost, by July 6. Goes up to \$165 after July 6. Forms will be reviewed and made available soon.

Motion to approve budget as presented: Yvette Young, second Tamara Corini. Unanimous (with one reservation related to the proposed deficit).

Diane Wyant would like to see each family cover full amount of cost of participation through voluntary donation. If not, contribute \$650 and assist through additional fundraising, or to raise all through fundraising participation. The pledge form will be updated to reflect additional donation/giving opportunities.

Volunteer discussion:

Tamara Corini asked about requiring volunteer time from each family. Program cannot mandate a volunteer requirement. Babette McKay reviewed current practice and plan to continue to build a culture of volunteerism. Every family will be required to return the volunteer interest form this year, and follow-up to encourage more participation will be done.

Items Requested for Future meeting discussion:

- Group photo for competition programs and yearbook.
- Transportation options home from Leigh exhibition/rotate hosting every other year
- Formalizing honorary membership
- Tutorial for new parents on how to sign-up for online fundraising
- Assign new families a buddy family/volunteer planning meeting for summer

Adjourn at 9:32 pm to September 8, 2016.

*Respectfully submitted,
Babette McKay
Music Booster Secretary*