

EASTSIDE FRIENDS OF MUSIC

Board of Directors Meeting: Minutes

Thursday November 18, 2021, 6:30 pm

Live Meeting Via Zoom

Attendees: Ted Sprague (TS), President; Jerry Matacia (JM), Vice-President; Sean Millard (SM), Chairperson and CGHS Music Director; Lynn Calza (LC), Treasurer; Jennie Farr (JF), Secretary; Lisa Velasquez (LV)

Absent: Alicia Krupinsky (AK), Bingo Coordinator; Kevin Klemenok (KK), KJHS Band Director; Brandon Day (BD), OAUSD and Waugh School District Band director

1. **Call to Order:** (TS). Quorum established and meeting called to order at 6:35 pm
2. **Adoption & Approvals** (TS)
 - 2.1 Approval of minutes from September 27, 2021 meeting (sent via email prior to meeting). No requests for changes, Motion to approve (LC), unanimous second. Minutes approved without changes
 - 2.2 Approval of Agenda for November 18, 2021 meeting: motion to approve (JF) and second (SM). Agenda approved unanimously without changes
 - 2.3 Approval of Treasurer's report (sent via email prior to meeting). TS opens item for discussion of group. No changes or other items for report requested. Motion to approve (SM), second (JF). Approved unanimously
3. **Reports** (TS)
 - 3.1 Eastside Friends of Music/Petaluma Music Boosters Bingo Report (SM). Discussion. SM reports that PHS Band Director has emailed the district to request permission for access to Bingo equipment and information on planning for Bingo. Access permission required for the equipment, and equipment needs to be checked and in working order before any training of volunteers can take place. There is still no timeline for when Bingo can start again. AK and the PHS Bingo treasurer are also trying to get info on timeline. Once details confirmed, SM to email CGHS music community (parents and students) with information about next steps and volunteering.
 - 3.2 Old Adobe Union School District/Waugh School District Music Programs Report (SM). Discussion. Per SM, BD reports that the bands are meeting and able to play.
 - 3.3 Kenilworth Junior High School Music Program Report (SM). Discussion. KK notified SM that he had a KJHS Boosters meeting tonight that overlapped with EFM meeting. KK has started an after-school Jazz Band, with 36 interested members. All 36 are part of the Jazz Band, which meets T and Th. Meeting places alternate between KJHS and CGHS based on where KK is teaching that day (teaches Music Appreciation at CGHS). SM and KK working on process where KJHS @ CGHS can take place in CHGS Bandroom on days KJHS meeting at CGHS, with CGHS Jazz Band members able to play and work with KJHS students.
 - 3.4 Casa Grande High School Music Program Report (SM). Discussion. SM reports Winter Concert date of 12/9 confirmed, able to perform in the Multi, and all band and choir classes will be able to perform. The "Winter Sports" Covid protocol will be in effect re: masks and spacing. TS asks if parent volunteers are needed for concert. SM reports that he will determine rolls and send email to band families with requests for support. Possible duties include staffing entry area for screening, securing monetary donations (suggested entry fees) and handing out programs. Possibly others, will know more as performance details finalized. CGHS Band Tri-M members also planning "Tri-M Fridays". Meet in Bandroom at lunch time. Activities proposed include playing music, campus care and clean-up. Goal is to start with monthly meeting, and possibly increase to 2x/month if successful.

EFM Board approval, 1/27/2022 meeting

Choir: in addition to performing 12/9, they will be performing on 12/4 for the Petaluma Tree Lighting ceremony.

Jazz Band and Choir invited to perform 12/12 at the Petaluma Baptist Church Festival of Christmas.

General discussion of possible fundraising activities for the Music program with these concerts. Anything beyond monetary donations at door pending review of Winter Sports protocols (e.g. foods or bake sales).

3.5 Sonoma County Honor Band Report (SM). Discussion. Honor Band will take place this year. Conductor chosen for HS (Jerome Fleg, SRJC Director of Instrumental Music), pending final choice for Middle School. Both bands will play Jan 29th at Weill Hall.

3.6 Norcal Honor Band & Choir Report (SM). Discussion. SM reports this cancelled for 2022. Plan is to return in Spring 2023.

4. Updates & Discussion Items

4.1 Music Program Block Letters (SM).

4.1.1 Block Letters are purchased and here. . Thanks and recognition for Jeanine Comella for working on this process and getting these to the program.

4.1.2 Requirements to obtain a Music Program Block Letter. Must complete 2 years of Music (Band or Chorus) to qualify for and receive a letter.

4.1.2.1 Special Circumstance for this year's Seniors in Music. All Seniors this year will be recognized at the 12/9 Winter Concert and awarded a block letter.

4.2 EFM/Boosters Update (SM)

4.2.1 (SM, LV). Discussion. LV provided summary review of responses. Full survey responses sent to EFM board prior to meeting for review. No specific volunteer for Media Coordinator or Boosters Chair. 1 parent interested in Uniform Coordinator, other parents offering to help as needed in an at-large capacity. LC suggests having a sign-up sheet for volunteers at the Winter Concert. JF asks about any need for bilingual support. SM reports that emails sent out via Parent Square include software choice that translates the email information to receiver preferred language.

4.2.2 Ideas to create momentum (SM). Discussion. TS asks about whether a Boosters meeting has been scheduled. Per SM, possibly in January after the concert and any other interested volunteers sign up. JM notes part of supporting process will be to have some concrete starting actions for Boosters group as work starts.

4.3 In Memoriam: Vanessa Gloster (SM). Discussion. I

4.3.1 Our Own Plaque for Music Building (From EFM). Idea is to have a plaque made that can hang in the Music Room. LC will reach out to the family re: permissions for this and also get a quote. SM to provide measurements. Update info to EFM at future meeting.

4.3.2 Other Ideas. Tri-M Student group working on project of specific gifts for family.

4.4 In Memoriam: John Orfali and Antonio Sanchez (SM). Discussion

4.4.1 Band Composition Commissioned. SM reports that an original composition featuring elements of music played by both young musicians incorporated into piece. He is working with parents of John and Antonio on details of these elements.

4.4.2 Dr. Brian S. Wilson, Sonoma State University, composer. Informational

4.4.3 John (Improv)/Antonio (Mariachi) Concept. Elements of music to incorporate. Informational.

4.4.4 Funding the commission: about \$2500.00. Discussion. How much of this EFM contribute vs other schools. SM to contact PJHS and KJHS Music programs to

determine interest in supporting project. Possibly create a Go-Fund Me site? EFM will contribute part of the cost of commission.

5. Future Meeting Dates for 2021-2022 School Year (TS)

5.1 Thursday January 20, 2022. EFM Board notes no schedule conflicts for this date

5.2 Thursday April 21, 2022. EFM Board notes no schedule conflicts for this date.

Discussion. All members reminded that if they find they have a schedule conflict for dates above to contact SM. Format planned as Zoom meeting pending any issues that arise.

6. Other Business/Future Business (TS, SM). None presented.

7. Adjournment There being no further business to discuss, Motion to Adjourn by JM, second by LC. TS adjourns meeting at 7:48 pm