

Eastside Friends of Music

Board of Directors Meeting: Minutes

Thursday September 27, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Live Meeting via Zoom

To Honor Vanessa Gloster:

As noted by the board in New Business Section, EFM and the Music Community have lost a great friend to music and also many of the members and students. Vanessa Gloster passed away suddenly earlier this month. Her son Connor was one of CGHS' Drum Majors last year, and her daughter Caitlin is a Sophomore in the Band program. Vanessa worked on many, many projects over the years with an energy and attitude that inspired many families to support all students and the Music Programs in the Schools. She will be missed deeply by friends and by the full music community.

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Lee Ann Magoski (LM), President; Sean Millard (SM), Chairperson and CGHS Band and Choral Director; Lisa Velasquez (LV), Uniform Coordinator; Lynn Calza (LC); Jennie Farr (JF), Secretary; Jerry Matacia (JM); Ted Sprague (TS)

Absent: Scott Thornton, Vice President; Alicia Krupinsky, Bingo Coordinator; Kevin Klemenok, KJHS Music/Band Director; Brandon Day, OAUSD and Waugh School District Elem Band

1. Call to Order (LM) – Meeting called to order 6:36PM by LM, (quorum established)

2. Adoption and Approvals (LM)

2.1 Approval of the agenda for April 28, 2021

Vote to approve By SM, second by LC, Unanimous vote to approve without changes

2.2 Approval of Meeting Agenda Sept 27 2021: JF Requests addition of Election of 2021-2022 EFM Board Members add to agenda. Unanimous vote to approve Meeting agenda with this change.

2.3 Approval of the Treasurer's Report sent out via email to board members on Sept 20, 2021. LM opens item for discussion and questions.

Vote to approve: Unanimous vote to approve, no changes

Election of 2021-2022 EFM Board. (LM, JF) Secure private email ballot sent to all voting members. All voting members present at meeting submitted ballots to EFM Secretary (JF). Unanimous selection of all board members. Incoming EFM President: Ted Sprague; Incoming EFM Vice-President Jerry Matacia; Incoming/Continuing EFM Treasurer: Lyn Calza; Incoming/Continuing EFM Secretary Jennie Farr (JF). Voting ballot hard copies of email process and results to be attached to this meeting minutes file.

3. Reports (LM/SM)

3.1 Eastside Friends of Music / Petaluma Music Boosters Bingo Report.

AK not present. SM reports ongoing conversations between PHS and CGHS Bingo leadership. Also reports ongoing discussions with District Covid Lead re: public health guidance and when this key fundraising effort can resume. LM reminds the group that the equipment is older, shared with CGHS Boosters and will need to be evaluated for any replacement needs once timeline established for resumption of Bingo nights. SM reports that AK is staying on as Bingo chair to train parent volunteer replacement. LC also available to help train volunteers for Bingo. LM provides review of Bingo process for new board members. Once return timeline established, SM and AK will work on scheduling planning meetings.

3.2 Old Adobe Union School District /Miwok/ Waugh School District Music Programs Report (SM): B Day not present. Per SM Brandon Day now also has Miwok program

3.3 Kenilworth Junior High School Music Program Report(SM): Kevin Klemenok, new Band coordinator for KJHS not present. Reported to SM that band has finally secured PPE to allow for indoor practice/playing

3.4 Casa Grande High School Music Program Report (SM): SM provides review of status of program as follows: 1st band performance will be 9/24/21-Pep Band for CGHS Home Football game. All bands will play. Practice and planning on-going for other performance options, pending Covid protocols and District approvals.

3.5 Sonoma County Honor Band report (SM). No activities or plans for this to report at this meeting.

3.6 NorCal Honor & Choir Report (SM): Discussion, no plans or dates to report.

Upon no additional comment or questions, this closes out the Reports section of the meeting (LM)

4. Updates & Discussion Items (LM/SM)

4.1 Senior Scholarships (SM)

4.1.1 Due to lack of ongoing fundraising opportunities and lack of required documentation

Allowing EFM to distribute the scholarships directly, recommendation is to discontinue the Senior Scholarships. After group discussion it was decided to continue this item discussion at the next EFM meeting, but not plan on providing scholarships at this time.

4.1.2 Work on Block Letters or other ways to commemorate student involvement in music program (SM). SM provides info on potential to order Block letters for CGHS Music. Criteria for and distribution to be developed. Ordering now can insure we have them for distribution. Quote available for 100 letters presented (\$674.53). Motion to approve ordering from LC. Second by LV. Motion carries unanimously. Next meeting discuss plan for distribution.

4.2 EFM/Boosters Update (SM)

4.2.1 Volunteer survey (LV, SM): Thanks to LV for creating the parent survey! LV provides breakdown of volunteer responses, with 22 total. LV to send these results via email to EFM members for review. Discussion and plan to re-send out to CGHS Music Families to see if others interested.

4.2.2 Moving Forward (SM): Discussion about Boosters, connecting to larger family and participation. Planning on-going, need to establish frequency and type of meeting after updated volunteer survey data available.

4.2.3 New Positions on EFM (SM): Media Manager/Coordinator; Fundraising Coordinator. Can be non-voting positions. Discussion about duties, current functions. Will review survey results for parent interest in positions.

5. Future Meeting Dates for 2021-2022 School Year (LM/SM)

Dates and Format discussion

5.1 Thurs 11/18/2021 and/or Thurs 12/2/21. Group determines 11/18 better date. Likely via Zoom but in person if district policies allow

5.2 Thurs Jan 20, 2022. FYI

2.3 Thurs April 21, 2022. FYI

5.1 Distance Learning/Hybrid Schedule Update (SM).

5.1.1 Current state of instruction (SM) Discussion. SM reminds group that students do still have the option of changing from distance to hybrid for remainder of this school year. They must contact their counselors to do so.

5.1.2 Fall of 2021 is still undetermined/undecided. Discussion

6. Other Business/Future Business (LM)

The EFM Board and membership is grieving the loss of one of our own, Vanessa Gloster. Much discussion about how to recognize her for her dedication to the program, years of work on fundraisers and just about anything the music programs needed. Vanessa was instrumental to the success of many projects for the school and the music program. SM will check on school regulations around a memorial placed on school ground/in Band room in her honor.

7 Adjournment . There being no additional items, LM adjourns the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Future Meeting Dates:

Next meeting Thurs Nov 18, 6:30 pm. Format to follow (Live vs Live Zoom)