

TTBP Meeting Minutes August 10, 2020

Call to order: 7:09 p.m. via Zoom, as schools are still closed due to COVID-19

Attendance: (8) Ben Lawson, Christina Zetterwall, Rachelle Eckman, Scott Luers, Amy Robinson, the Brogan family, Madeleine S. and Debi Heseltine

Approval of June and July minutes: Amy Robinson and Rachelle Eckman

President (Christina Zetterwall)

Welcome, approval of previous minutes and agenda

Vice President of Fundraising (Rachelle Eckman)

Nothing new at the moment.

Vice President of Community Outreach (Vicki Persaud)

Vicki was unable to attend; however, Christina had some info to pass on regarding the upcoming food drive:

Vicki would like to start the food drive at the end of the month. It will be door- to-door pickup, so please email her using the ttbp.vp.outreach@gmail.com to schedule a pickup time.

Mr. Lawson: When we're back in person, we'd like to play for the foodbank, but that's probably a few months away at least. The foodbank has an event in November, but we may not be able to participate until the spring.

Secretary/Volunteer chair (Amy Robinson)

Looking for ideas for Senior Night, but other than that, nothing to report.

Treasurer (Scott Luers)

Checking is at \$17136.02 - \$10k is allocated for improvements.

Money Market is at \$28363.21.

Working to finalize the budget proposal, which will include money for the spring season.

Activity fee will remain \$175 and we are looking at paying installments based on financial challenges as well as a changing environment.

Working with Ms. Simsic to put a PayPal link up on the THS Band website

Mr. Lawson

I'd like to explain the band fees for this season in a little more detail ... The idea is to be transparent in this time of uncertainty and make sure we're taking care of our families.

A couple things from the executive board:

General meeting and registration night moved to Sept. 14 at 6 p.m. We are going to conduct all of our business virtually to make it as easy as possible. We encourage all parents to attend the September meeting because we hope we'll have info to share.

A couple of fall events that are scheduled around the football events, military appreciation, senior night, 8th grade night ... we are going to try our best to align those themes, but because it's so important, we are going to do everything we can to make those things happen – whether or not there is a football game to accompany the theme nights, with the most important being the senior night and 8th grade night.

No updates on the season yet – we are hoping for something in the fall, and as more info comes out, we will pass it on. The THS Band Google calendar still reflects a full (normal) band season. It will be updated shortly, so please don't use it to plan anything yet.

Trying to get some band swag together, planning to meet with SLT to connect with rising freshmen; want to make sure they receive as much social interaction as possible. Look for emails or text messages from SLT to freshmen to start building connections.

Any questions?

President (Christina Zetterwall)

Do we still want to have a registration night slide show presentation? (Yes.) Each board member/chair needs to speak to their own position and duties. Potentially, we could include some band photos in the presentation? (Mr. Lawson will check with Ms. Gupta.)

Ponchos – we need to purchase them, but it depends on when and if we have a marching band season.

Spirit wear – we should probably still order T-shirts, since people like to share their THS Band pride. How would we like to proceed with the design?

Tag day – we're going to do that virtually, and we're still trying to figure out how to do that. We've decided to postpone that event until the October/November timeframe – until we figure out what the students allowed to do in regard to social media. That will also give the freshmen more time to learn the fight song (to potentially play virtually for tag day).

Rachelle – what were the final numbers on the shoe drive?

Rachelle: They added an additional 25% to our total, and we haven't gotten an official total yet, but we collected 165 bags worth of shoes, which is 4,125 pairs of shoes, which is \$

Vicki is conducting the food drive Sept. 1-18

Mr. Lawson: Sept. 8 is the first day of school, so we could include the foodbank fundraiser with the Amazon Smile and Kroger fundraiser info at the beginning of the year.

Mr. Lawson

I really appreciate everyone's understanding and patience. I know that this time before school is a big part of the students' life – they've been very positive, understanding and patient through all of these challenges and changing times.

Meeting adjourned: 7:38 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by Amy Robinson

The next meeting is Sept. 14, 2020, at 7 p.m. – it's the general meeting and registration night, which will take place virtually, and we hope to see everyone there!