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Present: 9

First Name
Joanne
Katie
Jen
Charlie
Dana
Alexa
Jen
Karen
Susan

Motion to open meeting at 7:05 p.m. made by Jen; seconded by Dana. Motion to approve January and February meeting minutes made by Alexa; seconded by Jen.

Faculty Report - Mrs. Cudworth

Department News

We had the first rehearsal today for the Lions Cabaret. Students are making videos this month for All-State auditions and they will be reviewed in April. Eight freshmen are auditioning! Prism preparations are underway. Deposit for Prism is here tonight and will get the balance the night of the concert. Will also need cash for lighting crew tips the night of the concert (\$20 per person). Alexa will send script for the concert.

Questions

- ➤ What are the contingencies for the Covid-19 virus? Classes are covered via online learning, but we've had no discussion on concerts.
- Could we reschedule? Will have discussion with lighting company.
- > Could we offer a live feed as an option through Facebook Live and still take payment on the honor system? Who would film it? That's a concern. Katie will check with John Sakelarides. There was a

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YouTube feed last year for graduation, so it's possible. Would need two students to do it.

➤ Could Vince still contact 8th grade music students to let them know about Prism and encourage them to come? If they haven't signed up for band yet, they could get a free Prism ticket to come. Alexa gave Mr. Hopta ten tickets for this.

Faculty Report - Mr. Hopta

• <u>Department News</u>

Our spring Musical just ended. Thank you to the NHMA for all the hard work and help with concessions! The productions were a big success. We sold 75% of the total tickets this year, almost the exact same as last year.

• Spring Trip to Williamsburg VA

At this point, we are still a go. The tour company contacted us, and the trip insurance may or may not cover a cancellation. Location is the issue. If Williamsburg is quarantined, we couldn't go. Our Board of Education would make the final decision. We collected final payment last week. Room assignments have been chosen and transportation is locked down. District personnel have been chosen as chaperones. Don't need to bring uniforms - Yay! We will be playing at the entrance to Busch Gardens. However, this Sunday we will be wearing uniforms for the St. Patrick's Day parade.

Questions

- ➤ Alexa: Did you hear about the Newport Folk Festival? NHHS Alum Sharon Van Etten is performing, July 31 August 2. Master class could be tabled until next year. Money should be coming at some point.
- Do girls take Choir dresses for trip? Yes.

Corresponding Secretary Report – Susan Wallace

• Susan will keep her receipts for all cards purchased.

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• Sent a note to Linda Lockhart, as her husband died.

Treasurer Report – Alexa Parliyan

- \$190 already made on Prism tickets. \$452 on flower preorders for musical, with a \$541 total flower profit. \$16 Amazon Smile profit. Banquets were way under budget. Should be getting a check soon from Alexa's company for their matching donation. Applebee's made \$254 profit. We sold 51 plates, down 20 from last year. Can we advertise it next time and maybe move back to December next year? Also need more help from teachers to promote the performance part.
- TOTAL ACCOUNTS BALANCE as of March 10, 2020:

 Checking Account:
 \$ 8,333.01

 Gaming Account:
 \$ 820.44

 Total:
 \$ 9,153.45

Membership Report – Alexa Parliyan

Done - 91 total members!

Fundraising Report – Jen Fasciano

- Winter Musical Concession Sales
 Sold \$1,642 on site; \$535 total profit
- Applebee's Flapjacks
 Discussed above in Treasurer's Report; \$254 profit
- General
 We are considering an additional fundraiser of a shredding event after Tax
 Day. Let's hold off for a little while until after Prism and look at the finances.

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Open/New Business - Jen Fasciano

Spring Newsletter

Kathy will do it one more time. We will need someone for next year (this is done twice a year)

- Prism Concert March 26
 - Ticket sales online at nhma.thundertix.com
 - > Publicity volunteers to post flyers and posters
 - Volunteers signup online here. Signup almost filled!
 - > Sponsors:
 - Silver Oak Learning Center, Harper's Table, Hunterdon Healthcare, Loew & Patel Orthodontics, Basil Bandwagon, and Hunterdon Music for a total of \$1,750
 - Preparations are all done! Just need people to put posters up. Alexa gave out posters and flyers to members to distribute.
- Marching Band Uniforms

Diane Dieterman volunteered to partner with someone next year to do uniforms. She will be available for all afternoons. Joanne is moving away in June. Jen can email marching band parents to see if we can get one more volunteer, once we get an updated list. Karen can help as well. Sunday parade call time is 2:00 pm.

- <u>Committee and Chairperson positions for 2020/2021</u>
 Open positions include President, Marching Band Uniforms, Newsletter
- Gary Gilbert Scholarship Applications
 Will send out later this month. Due by April 30

Recent Events – Jen Fasciano

• Winter Musical – Bye Bye Birdie

Upcoming Events – Jen Fasciano

- Clinton St. Patrick's Day Parade March 15
- Prism Concert Rehearsal March 25
- Prism Concert March 26

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Motion to close meeting made by Jen at 8:00 p.m.; seconded by Dana. Minutes prepared by: Dana McDermott

Next Meeting: April 7, 2020

7:00 PM, Band Room