

Minutes - AHS Drama Boosters - December 2020

Tuesday, December 15, 7:30 pm

Zoom Meeting

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Attendance: Sharon Barnes, Nathan Rosen, Sophia Leshchyshyn, Lada Onyshkevych, Sammy Fu, Jennie Molinari, Pam Cohen, Michelle Wood, Kerry Bloom, Carole Suser.

1. **Meeting Opening and Welcome:** Drama Boosters President Sharon Barnes opened the meeting at 7:35.
2. **Approval of Minutes from November 17 Meeting:** Lada motioned to approve, Pam seconded, unanimous approval.
3. **Mr. Rosen's Report:** has had a very crazy last few weeks
 - rehearsals for fall show are continuing, about ready to record and then will do some editing; need to make some decisions; only expense so far has been Zoom account; could just put the production up on Youtube, or can have an opening night and leave the video up for a limited time; will talk with students about this; could ask for donations or not; some of the pieces deal explicitly with the pandemic, others will keep your mind off it, so might be nice for people all over to watch, have no geographical restrictions on our audience - silver lining; date - looking at mid-January, around the 16th; kids could talk it up at the county's virtual theatre festival on 13th; Sharon noted that Youtube offers a way to premiere your event, with countdown; another advantage - could bring out the writers, have live comments that might be fun for writers to look at later
 - Mr. Rosen suggested making a Tshirt or something for the kids working on the show - could take that out of show budget; spring looks like it will be a similar kind of show, unless things change

-Howard County Theatre Festival will be online; Mr. Rosen will send out info; concern that kids will sign up and then not show up, so he will make clear to kids that they need to show up; will be at HCC but virtually

-State Theatre Festival has been moved to April, will be virtual as well

-will probably need to funnel theatre festival registration fees through Boosters since probably won't be able to do so through school, but want kids to have some skin in the game, at least \$5 per day, then maybe Boosters could cover rest? Will need further discussion

-need help recruiting theatre students for next year - course registrations starting

4. **Treasurer's Report** (Michelle Wood): only changes since last month - check clear, payments, 2 memberships; current balance is \$21,459.78; letter from state with update of registration, Boosters parent group is supposed to handle this, waiting for response; Sharon picked up checks from last year from school mailbox, and she has been able to contact most people in order to return the checks, will mail the rest out if can't reach people

5. **President's Report** (Sharon Barnes):

-collaborative fundraiser for all school: Mr. Senisi put out flier asking for direct donations to three organizations; Lada will post on website, FaceBook, and email to membership to share with others; organizations are Maryland Food Bank, Community Cares, Community Action Council of Howard County; will end December 30

-student social: maybe can work on this over the break with the student liaisons - game night

6. **Restaurant Fundraiser** (Lada Onyshkevych): will start looking at Jan 16 for a restaurant night as a shared experience on opening night of show; discussion of which restaurants might be preferable? something with vegetarian options, curbside pickup, near mall or in AHS area; will put out a poll with some options

7. **Closing:** Boosters President Sharon Barnes closed the meeting at 8:21pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 7 pm.