**General Meeting Agenda**

**AHS Drama Boosters**

Tuesday, January 25, 2022, 7:00 pm

Attendees: Pamela Cohen, Karen Bickel, Sharon Barnes, Marta Thompson, Jason Hase, Mr. Rosen, Katherine Pavithra, Carol Susser

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1. **Welcome -**(Sharon Barnes - Drama Boosters Co-President)
2. Approval of minutes from December 2021 meeting
   1. Meeting minutes from November approved – Ys Jason, Katherine, Nathan, Pamela As Marta, Katherine, Karen
3. **Mr. Rosen Updates** 
   1. There has been admin pressure for auditorium updates (houselight bulb not replaced since August- principal secretary brought in to see darkness for safety), repair of the sound system- is still working may still need replacements
   2. State Thespian festival has been rescheduled and there is concern with cancellation- costs will be covered if cancelled- in Owings Mills, 02/25-02/26, field trip forms to come plus health forms, students will need to pay again, no cash, Dates have possible conflicts with other auditions, events
   3. Hairspray rehearsals underway- sounds good, in-person and online, moving to more in-person next week,
      1. Live performance? Yes with possible capacity restriction of 50% which we are hoping will be removed, 450 is a good house and 360 is 50% so not bad , the board has not yet approved performing without masks while on stage- makeup might be an issue with masks, performing unmasked will not be mandatory, testing will be required if student chooses no mask while performing,
      2. Virtual playbill question-Senior names called out possible? Thespian names called out? Names should be recognized- Booster names recognized? Yes-made up like an ad, will water be allowed backstage? No except for Alyssa, Tracey, stage manager-
      3. Show meal dates? “They still have to eat” so yes -Mon or Tue & (conductor is also choir director adjudication) Wed of production week, no middle school performance Wed, # of meals? Too soon to tell,
      4. Next month entire cast/parents meeting? Date 02/15? In-person or virtual? Admin needs to be consulted, sounds like we should plan for virtual but will be rough, anything should be online sign-up online pay, set up through paypal, no physical boxoff was so much easier, timesaver, legal by county to sell more than water for concessions, need workaround for Booster parent free tickets host to figure out, request in advance and forward possibly
   4. 8 college recommendations done this year- more than any other year (largest theater class in some time)
4. **Financial Report**(Jason Hase)
   1. Not much since November, essentially no activity, some pending withdrawals have been made, checks to disperse,
      1. $300 towards merch still needs to be paid for-how? Merch lady will send invoice- we are waiting on it listed as pending on budget, are we spending more? Push ahead of show to buy, people can pick up during show week,
      2. Several people asked if Macbeth shirts were for sale so should we purchase Hairspray shirts to sell? Yes we should. We will put orders in. There are Hairspray shirts left over from years ago but has wrong dates? They could be sold at a discount? Yes
   2. 02/24 performance of Cheaters- festival play
5. **Membership Report** (Marta Thompson)
   1. No new members – we are still at 13 members
   2. Let’s make a video to push for membership – Mr. Rosen (we have a video already, Mr. Rosen will look at it) better if current students make the video, Sydney’s mom will send, should be added to the website
6. **Spirit Wear Update** (Marta Thompson – Carole Susser)
   1. Decent number of orders before the holidays, all has been delivered, do another push with a deadline, it’s been good, production and delivery has been good, shirts, hoodies, and masks were the best sellers
7. **Spring Musical – Call for lead volunteers /Committee Chair – let’s leave to general meeting for more volunteers, so many senior parents, people need to shadow to learn before we all leave (freshman parents), committee chairs for sure, streamline process for virtual with descriptions**
   1. **Tech Week Meals**
   2. **Cast Party**
   3. **Concessions (Flowers/Candy, Spirit wear, Break a Legs)**
   4. **Ticket Greeters**
   5. **Advertising**
   6. **Fundraising**
   7. **Scholarship Committee**
   8. **Spring Trip (Sharon/Marta)**
8. **Spring Trip Options (Spring Break 4/10-4/18; Spring Musical March 24th-27th**

* May dates may be a problem for Seniors with graduation
* Toby’s may be a possibility (we might get a deal there)

Spamalot beginning of March time commitment is better than NY, Sunday night dinner and a show

* Google form sent to students for a vote- three plays Toby’s, She Loves Me, Catch Me if You Can, send costs and what they will get, ask for buying commitment, open to everyone usually, but we should let students choose, numbers-wise we don’t have to limit with any of them, there is no bus needed for any of these, we can carpool or drive there, the risk is lessened, there is a smaller time commitment, as long as there are at least 20 people there should be a group rate, maybe we can do two trips because of the cost difference from NY plus dinner nearby if not Toby’s?
  1. **~~Hippodrome Theatre~~**
     1. **~~Dear Evan Hansen (3/15 – 3/20, sold out)~~**
     2. **~~Ain’t Too Proud to Beg (5/3 – 5/8)~~**
  2. **~~National Theater~~**
     1. **~~Rent (same as School show dates)~~**
  3. **~~Come From Away (During Spring Break)~~****~~. Rear Mezzanine and Balcony seating $29.00 per ticket~~****~~. Available~~**

**~~Sunday, April 17th, 2022, 2:00 pm~~**

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**People away, Easter, Passover**

* 1. **~~Hairspray~~****~~. Rear Mezzanine and Front Balcony seating $39.00 per ticket; Rear Balcony seating $29.00 per ticket~~****~~. Available:~~** **~~o Tuesday, May 10th, 2022, 7:30 pm~~****~~o Wednesday, May 11th, 2022, 7:30 pm~~****~~o Thursday, May 12th, 2022, 7:30 pm~~****~~o Friday, May 13th, 2022, 7:30 pm~~****~~o Saturday, May 14th, 2022, 7:30 pm~~****~~o Sunday, May 15th, 2022, 2:00 pm~~****~~o Sunday, May 15th, 2022, 7:30 pm~~**

**May dates**

* 1. **Kennedy Center**
     1. **Mean Girls-The Musical (4/6 – 4/26)**
     2. **~~Freestyle Love Supreme (5/10-5/14)~~**
  2. **Signature Theater – a possibility, excellent work, lovely theater**
     1. **She Loves Me, 3/1-4/24 so weekends in April**
     2. **~~The Upstairs Department~~**
  3. **Arena Stage**
     1. **Catch Me If You Can (could do 4/2-4/3)**

1. **New Business**

Karen:

Dawn publish Macbeth video? Not yet

Pam Axler sends regards, supplies for kits, for finals upcoming

Pamela: Senior slide show- student do it?, we need a focal point for gathering, pics and video- Google link set up to drop files, list of seniors active so we don’t miss anyone,

Thanks for the magazine shout-out Karen and Lynn, high res copy for the bulletin board requested by Mr. Rosen

Closed at 8:18pm