

SPRING GROVE MUSIC BOOSTER MEETING MINUTES
SGAHS, Room 51 and Zoom meeting
March 6, 2023

IN ATTENDANCE: Jerry Mascaro, Theresa Kramer, Autumn Tyson, Tracey Glace, Trista Glace, Rhonda Wastler, Barb Brenneman, Tim Bupp, Dan Brenner, Kyle Showalter, David Dietrich, Amy Buhrman

WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS (Jerry Mascaro):

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm, and meeting participant introductions were completed. Meeting agenda topics and timeframes were reviewed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Amy Buhrman):

Minutes from the February 6, 2023 meeting were reviewed with several changes noted. A motion to approve the amended minutes was made by Autumn Tyson and seconded by Rhonda Wastler. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Autumn Tyson):

SGMB Balance sheet was presented with the following balances:

	As of 2/23/2023
Checking Account	\$146,697.42
Capital Fund	\$24,297.94
Scholarship Fund	\$51,427.06
Student Fund	\$17,930.52
Total	\$240,352.94

A motion to approve the treasurer's report was offered by Rhonda Wastler and seconded by Barb Brenneman. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS:

Dan Fake: Orion and Select Strings performed in the capitol rotunda today as part of the national Music in Our Schools Month celebrations. Students met representatives Seth Grove and Kristin Phillips-Hill. Rep. Grove was a 1998 graduate of Spring Grove, and a staff member of Rep. Phillips-Hill was in Orion when she was in middle school. Select Strings began their performance at noon, which also happened to be when the general assembly began their meeting. Students learned that the general assembly had a 2-minute moment of silence where the only sound was Select Strings coming through the halls of the capitol. While the group was not in view of the audience, the whole of the general assembly knows it was SGASD school performing. The PA state song was one of the songs performed by Orion. Following the state song, a member of the committee for the arts shared that their committee is working to present a new song for the state.

Dan Brenner:

- March 18th - Select Modern Band at Mini Thon
- March 23rd - SGE Night of Music
- April 2-8 - Disney
- April 14-15 - PMEA District 7 Modern Band Festival (8 qualified... 7 will attend)
- April 13-15 - NAFME All Eastern Modern Band - Jorge Caraballo - Mr. Mundy chaperoning
- April 28 - Modern Band Concert (featuring Select Modern Band, 7th Degree, Temple of Anubus, ILYH)
- April 29 - SMB at Taqueria El Camino with Millersville University
- May 5 - Jazz Concert
- May 6 - Jump Into Jazz and Swing Into Spring Jazz Festivals (6 for MS, 4 for HS)
- May 16 - SMB @ Scholarship Banquet
- May 19 - SMB Gig with Cabria Heights (Altoona Area) - Possible
- May 25 - PMEA Jamfest (at Lebanon Valley College) - Possible

Kyle Showalter: There is a lot coming up in next two months. All bands are preparing for spring concerts. High school ensemble members and directors are preparing for the upcoming trip to Orlando. A mandatory meeting for all who are participating in that trip, as well as parents, is scheduled for 3/16. Information about final trip payments will be shared in the next few days. The High School instrumental concert is scheduled for 4/27. The Tri-M Showcase is scheduled for 5/26; the location for this event is not yet confirmed. The event may be held outside at the Glatfelter Library; it will be held at the middle school if the weather is bad. Marching band uniforms have gone out to be dry-cleaned several times over the past few months. There was an issue with the first round of cleaning, and the jackets were subsequently re-cleaned at no charge. Plans for new uniforms are on hold until district rebranding is finalized. The 2023 marching band show will be announced in a few weeks.

Tim Bupp: Upcoming Spring concerts will be streamed for live viewing. SGI's concert is scheduled for 3/29; Mr. Bupp will once again be dressing up for the concert. The Diversity Festival will be held on 4/13. The event will be held using an "open air" format this year. A performance stage will be set up in the back corner of the cafeteria, with performance held throughout the event. All SGASD groups will perform early in the event this year. The elementary band and orchestra concert will be held on 4/18. Students picked the songs for this year's concert, including a familiar commercial theme song. (Mr. Bupp informed the group that he has never eaten at Burger King or Taco Bell. The Tyson family loves the Burger King theme song.). The upcoming DC trip will take place on 4/21, to include a clinic with the Airmen of Note. Mr. Bupp anticipates a return to the typical every-other-year trip schedule with SGI beginning next year. No additional information has been received regarding the grant request for the 50th Anniversary Strings concert. Funding for this event will run primarily through SGMB instead of the district. SGMB will not owe anything back to the district.

UPCOMING EVENTS/PERFORMANCES:

- 2023 Concert Performance Dates – <https://www.sgasd.org/Page/7128>
- Indoor Guard Competitions—Rhonda will share the schedule with Steph Kennedy and Kristen Henning
- Celebrate the Arts Craft Show and Showcase – 3/25/23
- Diversity Festival – 4/13/2023
- Jazz weekend –
 - Evening of Jazz, 5/5, 7pm
 - Jump Into Jazz, 5/6, 2pm
 - Swing Into Spring, 5/6, 7pm
- 50th Anniversary of String Program at SGASD – 5/20/23 at SGMS
- Marching Spectacular – 9/30/2023

WAYS & MEANS (Tracey Glace/Barb Brenneman):

Grocery Cards: Sales totaled \$700 for the last month. Barb is not anticipating many additional sales this year. The following total gift card amounts are available: Kennie's (\$450), Weis (\$50), and Giant (\$600).

RaiseRight: Student account deposits for February totaled \$151.30.

February Fundraisers: A total of 47 students participated in the February fundraisers.

- R&K: 39 students participated for a total of 953 items sold.
- Country Meats: 34 students participated for a total of 2432 items sold

Current active fundraisers include R&K, Gertrude Hawk, and Sunrise Soaps. Orders are due on 3/13, with final acceptance on 3/20. Pick up for R&K and Gertrude Hawk is scheduled for 3/28; Sunrise Soap pickup is scheduled for 5/29.

Mums: The group discussed another Fall Mum sale, with the opportunity to work with the same grower and same offer as was available in 2022 (minimum of 200 mums, in quantities of 50, with access to basic colors). A recommendation was made to set up this fundraiser as a presale with a designated pick-up date so that there is not a significant amount of inventory to handle with an on-site sale. This fundraiser would benefit the general fund and would not be held as a student fundraiser. After additional discussion, the group agrees to hold this fundraiser. The proposed pick-up date is 9/16/2023. Rhonda

will serve as point person for this sale. She will reach out to the district regarding advertising and will also contact Windy Hill for advertisement and as a possible pick-up location.

Future fundraising options: Tracey is reviewing an option to sell Freckled Moose butter twists. This would be a potential 2023-2024 fundraiser.

PUBLICITY/COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE (Jerry Mascaro):

There is no correspondence to report at this time.

Any response regarding the grant will likely come to the SGMB PO Box.

STUDENT ACCOUNTS (Theresa Kramer):

There was a lot of student account activity in February. Funds were added to accounts through R&K (\$953), Meat Sticks (\$1,216), Grocery Gift Cards (\$21) and RaiseRight (\$151.32). In addition, transfer requests were processed for both the 4th Disney payment (\$1,872.24) and the Middle School trip (\$591.90). Directors have been provided updated account totals by building. After transfer requests for the final Disney payment are updated, letters for current seniors will be created and distributed by high school directors. Any students no longer in the music department will receive their letters through coordination with Mrs. Ehrich and the main office.

Last month it was discovered we have two students with the same name – one in high school, one in intermediate school. Due to this, several fundraiser credits were applied to the incorrect student. All parents were notified, and accounts have been corrected with no issues. For these fundraisers the grade was listed on order forms – it was an oversight when transferring the information to the master student account spreadsheet.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE (Amy Buhrman/Jerry Mascaro)

High School Scholarship: All high school scholarship applications have been received; there are 16 applicants this year. Amy is working to compile all application information, which will be shared out with reviewers by the end of the day on Saturday, 3/11/2023. Reviewers will be asked to have results completed by the end of the day on 3/27/2023, and the final list of recipients will be shared with SGASF by the end of the day on 3/31/2023. To confirm, Autumn, Theresa, Rhonda, Jerry, and Kyle will assist with scoring.

Middle School Scholarship: SGMB received 11 paper applications and 1 emailed essay (with no application attached). Amy will share the student's email address with Jerry, who will reach out to directors to confirm the student's identity. Autumn, Amy, Lucas, Trista, Tim, and Kyle will assist with review of applications.

SGASF Awards Banquet (5/16/2023): SGMB has purchased two table sponsorships (four seats). The banquet will once again be held at the high school.

PROCEDURES/BY-LAWS (Jerry Mascaro / Rhonda Wastler / Dan Brenner):

There is nothing to report at this time.

WEBSITE (Kristen Henning):

There is nothing to report at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Jerry Mascaro):

Music Department "Spirit Store": There are a few items remaining in the spirit store that need to be removed. David D. will email Rhonda Priest (head custodian) to assist with final cleanout.

Donation to SGASD for High School Music Department display case: Directors have reached out to Bill Stiles. An estimate will be communicated once available.

Indoor Guard: The indoor guard will not need access to the entirety of authorized funds, due to fundraising efforts. There is also a plan to pursue one or two restaurant night events (Chipotle and Texas Roadhouse were mentioned as options). It was also noted that funds may be needed to offset some meals for the guard during longer competitions/shows. There have also been discussions regarding the need to plan ahead next year and communication needs and plans in advance.

NEW BUSINESS (Jerry Mascaro)

Mum Sale – See Ways and Means

Jerry will be stepping down as SGMB President at the end of this year.

ADJOURNMENT (Jerry Mascaro):

The next membership meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2023, at 7:00pm. This meeting will be held in via Zoom only. A motion to close the meeting was made by Dan Brenner and seconded by Tim Bupp at 8:46pm. Motion carried.