

MEETING MINUTES

Pearland HS Theatre General Booster

Date | time 5/2/22 6:32pm | Meeting called to order by Meghan Garrett

In Attendance

PISD staff: Mr. Barker (Theatre Department Head), Mrs. Hopper (Assistant Theatre Director)

Board Members: Meghan Garrett (President), Kim Ambro (VP), Tracie Richeson (Secretary), Melanie Rushing (Hospitality), Laura Harrington (Fan Grams), Eric Richeson (Webmaster), Melissa Washington (Community Service), Monica Mejia (Senior Recognition), Ryan Garrett (Treasurer), Anitra Frederick (Senior Recognition), Arwen Jackson (Publicity), Reneé Nichols (Fan Grams),

Student Officers: Shelby Garrett, Neva Cline, Granger Lusk

Booster Members & Guests: Sara Jones, Matt Cline, Becky Warfield, Pam Van Maaren, Audra Anderson, Natalie McCauley

Approval of Minutes by T. Richeson

Minutes: The minutes were previously distributed via email to board members and added to Charms. Reading of the minutes during the meeting was declined at this time.

Motion: M. Mejia moved to accept the April 1st, 2022 minutes as presented, 2nd by R. Nichols.
Unanimously passed.

Treasurer's Report by R. Garrett

Current budget total \$16,091

Musical budget total \$6,562.76 (no new deductions since last meeting)

Actual Booster Total \$9,528.92

38 banquet tickets sold so far; ticket prices go up on May 5th

12 tommy tunes tickets sold so far.

Fundraising Report by K. Ambro

Spring Fundraiser: K. Ambro reports total so far is \$12,600. We haven't met our goal yet. 10 or less students qualified for the hoodie incentive (\$400 goal).

Next spirit night: May 10th Chipotle.

Upcoming Events by M. Garrett

Thespian Inductions May 3rd Student board members request punch and cookies. The new linens are in. Theatre will use the official Thespian tablecloth on stage.

SOAPs and Theatre Class Shows May 16-19th There are 6 classes performing shows. Shows are 45 minutes each- 2 on the 16th, 2 on the 17th, JV and Varsity productions on the 18th, SOAPs are all on the 19th. No tickets or concessions Monday and Tuesday. Tickets and concessions Wednesday & Thursday. M. Garrett will meet with hospitality committee for details.

2022-2023 Production Mixer/Meeting A. Jackson would like to set up a meeting before the May 18th show to reach out to parents of JV and Varsity Production. The primary purpose is to collect their info (directors can't give out) in order to connect/recruit for board positions and volunteers. Meeting includes parents and students if student is available. Proposed time is 5:30pm (student go to call at 6pm). A. Jackson plans to request the commons or cafeteria, and will handle reaching out/publicity for the event through Mrs. Hopper.

Banquet May 20th from 7pm to 11pm. Student officers report Evie (student board historian) has already been actively requesting pictures for the slideshows and E. Richeson reports that we have found a projector. Mrs. Hopper reports that they are hoping to give an award to every student who attends and they also plan to add SOAPS awards as well as best senior bricks. M. Garrett reports not many responses to her playlist request. Student officers are aware of the need to do this.

Tommy Tunes: May 27th in the commons. M. Cline will help with tech and other items (screen, projector, speakers, velvet ropes). Next committee meeting is Thursday in choir room at 6:30pm. There is a GroupMe for this committee.

Yearly Review by M. Garrett

JULY

Oiler Market Days Worked well: set up next to choir, have officers there, have a flyer, have students wear their matching shirts, have merch ready, magnets and all our booster drive stuff was there, link and QR codes. Add some photos and advertising for welcoming party, freshman didn't know what it was exactly.

AUGUST

Freshman Floats & Parent Meeting Worked well: tour was more personalized than fish camp. Ideas: Charms was not utilized this year but if using next year, go over that in depth at this meeting.

SEPTEMBER

Welcoming Party Worked well: Olympics theme, pizza, format document (needs to be passed on to new officers). Ideas: Possibly charge and provide a shirt if cost can be kept \$10.

Tailgates poorly attended and will not be scheduled for next year.

Car Wash to fundraise for ThesFest Worked well: using Hometown bank.

Fall Show (aliens vs cheerleaders) Mr. Barker reports this will no longer be a 4th grade show, just a fall show. Worked well: any one can audition, concessions, fan grams. Ideas: consider conflicts with football games, matinees, pre-party mixer, using Turner.

OCTOBER

ThesFest student/parent meeting Ideas: Utilizing charms is an idea.

Musical Auditions Worked well: Give as much info as possible before auditions. Ideas: Change round robin to a regular meeting.

Coffee House Worked well: successful in both locations

Theatre Halloween Party Worked well: officers did games and brought food, students dressed up and brought food if they wanted. Ideas: headcount/signup for more accurate pizza count, everyone brings food no one has to worry about ordering/paying.

Musical Parent/Student Meeting see above

Halloween Show cancelled and will not be scheduled for next year.

NOVEMBER

Musical Car Wash Worked well: using the speaker, signs in the median.

ThesFest Meeting logistics/room assignments

Ir High ThesFest Ideas: Consider conflict with choir region clinic/concert, confirm schools and get headcounts before pizza is ordered (two schools backed out), consider conflict with another local junior high theatre event, consider reaching out to alumni or adults for judging- rather than freshman.

ThesFest Worked well: stayed at an off-site hotel and it went really well.

DECEMBER

Improv Show *see above

Musical cast performs at Pearland Tree Lighting Worked well: performance went very well. They have already asked us to perform again, choir kids did perform after a quick change from Kantori performance.

Musical cast performs at Christmas Parade Ideas: Mr. Barker does not see a way to correlate this method of advertising with ticket sales. He also had an issue with the Kantori students being on another float.

Theatre Christmas Party/Pajama Party/White Elephant Ideas: Mr. Barker states in-home parties may not be something that is continued. If they are, reminders need to be given about behavior and respecting property, hosts need to be reminded to put alcohol away, consider we may have access to a church facility for parties, Shadycrest Baptist, or parks/outdoors.

IV Production Christmas Show cancelled and will not be scheduled next year.

Santa Pics event was made smaller due to change in district support, will not be scheduled next year.

JANUARY

Musical Sock Hop

Musical

FEBRUARY

Coffee House Worked well: cool setup

UIL Clinic at San Jac

MARCH

UIL Public Show

UIL Clinic

UIL Zone Competition Note: next year we will go back to dropping zone competitions.

UIL Clinic at PHS

UIL District Rehearsal

UIL Bi-district competition

Arts in Schools performance at Pearland Town Center Ideas: an upbeat show scene or musical number would be better for this venue.

APRIL

UIL Area Competition Ideas: Although the Dawson director and students came to our show, we didn't send our students to watch and that would have showed district support.

Improv/Show (One Act cast) Ideas: It would be nice to offer a second public show

MAY

Thespian Inductions

End of Year Class Shows

Theatre Banquet

Tommy Tune Awards Streaming Party

Theatre Trip Proposal by A. Jackson

A. Jackson proposes starting a tradition of alternating a larger out of state overnight trip with the overnight ThesFest trip. She feels this would be a successful recruiting and retention event. Discussion: This should also be done opposite years as choir. On those years this would mean no ThesFest. Thes Fest typically costs up to \$600. There is an additional cost to compete a show on the mainstage. The last choir NYC trip (60 kids) cost around \$2500. (5 days, 3 Broadway shows, and a masterclass). Chaperones/adults would be about \$3000. Recent choir Disneyworld trip was about \$1500 (90 students). Student officers present stated that they liked that ThesFest has opportunity to compete individually, in duet scenes etc. and run for officer which they felt was beneficial for college entrance. After April 30 no vaccine required for Broadway shows, but masks required. Consider if other educator/teacher/staff can sponsor one of the trips, ask Dawson to sponsor the ThesFest trip and then include them in NYC trip. It was decided to put out a survey of interest due to the much higher cost compared to ThesFest.

Nominating Committee by K. Ambro

K. Ambro presents the slate as follows.

President: Arwen Jackson

Vice President/Fundraising Chair: Pam Van Maaren

Treasurer: Eric Richeson

Secretary: Tracie Richeson

Musical: Rachael Holden, Dustin & Audra Anderson

Concessions: Suzette Ramos

Spirit Nights: Reneé Nichols

Fan Grams: Laura Harrington & Reneé Nichols

Senior Recognition: Anitra Frederick & Monica Mejia

Web Master: Eric Richeson

Community Service: Melissa Washington & Natalie McCauley

Nominations were opened to the floor. No nominations were received from the floor.

Motion to accept the officers as presented by K. Ambro 2nd by R. Nichols. Unanimously passed.

New business by M. Garrett

Senior recognition and scholarships will be discussed in committee.

Motion to adjourn at 8:40pm by R. Holden, 2nd by E. Richeson. Unanimously passed.

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Secretary

Signed by: 7bea6714-0ef0-4e49-8c50-9898913d42c1