

Samohi Band Parent Meeting Notes

September 4, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Band President: Alisa Stewart

In attendance: Alisa Stewart, Cydney Kirschaum, Adam Chamorro, Kim Crawford, Jonathan Ty, Giovanni Tosonotti, Jennifer Raymond, Janie Doctor, Alicia Gutierrez, Jose Orduna, Shirley Gyepes, Vicente Puga, Annie Goren, Alma Ruiz, Lo-Mae Lai, Joyce Mueller, Julie Gillespie, Beth Levy, Lorena and Robert Frcek, Susan Alinsangen, Matt Robinson, Mary Ann Todd, Angelika Gunn, Gerda Newbold, Lisa Moss, Katy and Jon Moeller, Mark Cohen, Juli Juteau, Anna Chernenkova, Elizabeth Durst, Eda Sasaki, Karina Tejada, Kelly Simon, Tim Zinnemann, Nallely Gutierrez, Erika Arenas, Joel Carrera, Mudita Bahadur, Laura van Vuuren, Sabrina Weill, Kevin Gorman, Marian Tosonotti, Mitch Lichterman, Clare Haygood, Bill Threlkeld, Janice Threlkeld, Ramesh Ramalingam, Blanca Andres, Maureen Jacobson, Kathy Zurich-Lunsford

Business:

Director's Report: Kevin McKeown

- Welcome to the special community of Samohi Band
 - 7th year working in high school and 10 years working in the district
- Went to school in Santa Monica
- Now coaches boys and girls golf
- Marching Band is going well
- Instructional Assistant: Miriam / percussion
- Concert Band is doing well in sight reading so far

Director's Report: Terry Sakow

- Great start to the year
- Also teaching Freshman Seminar
- 29th year at Samohi
- Already established a routine with bands
 - Advanced technique
 - Music that many colleges would play
 - Focus: skills needed to sight read without fear
- Parent: we need your help to get the students to advocate for themselves

President's Report: Alisa Stewart

- 10 Bands in total
 - 5 Concert Bands
 - 2 Jazz Bands
 - 1 Jazz Combo
 - Viking Marching Band and Color Guard
 - Pit Orchestra for the spring musical
- Performing Arts includes Band, Orchestra, Choir, Theater and Dance

- SMAPA supports all the arts programs
- College Statistics
 - 86% of our Band students go to 4 year colleges : We out perform all the rest!
 - 55% of all Samo students go
 - 44% of CA students go to 4 year colleges
- May minutes to be approved
 - Moved by Gerda and seconded by Annie
 - Minutes were approved
- Elect 3 new officers tonight
 - Clare Haygood: VP Communications
 - Gerda Newbolt with Clare Haygood: VP Fundraising
 - Lydia Muraro: VP Jazz Band
 - Move to approve all new officers: Kelly and Simon
 - Seconded by Janis and Annie
 - All 3 officers were approved

Fundraising Report : Clare Haygood and Gerda Newbold

- Fundraising pays for: instruction, instruments, folders, sheet music etc..
- Direct Investment
 - Marching Band: \$750 plus \$250 for Concert Band
 - Concert Band: \$250
- Raffle is going on now and the goal is 20 tickets sold per MB student
- Concert Band Raffles raise money for the bands
- Concert Café takes donations and sells dinner, drinks, desserts etc..
- Merchandise
- Bands at the Broad: Feb concert raises money for tours through tickets sales and a silent auction
- Marching Band auction for football pep tunes going on now
- Video: to help raise funds with friends and family on social media

Jazz Band: Lydia Muraro

- 2 Bands
 - Band 1: usually older with a bit more experience and meets M/W at 3:30pm
 - Band 2: meets M 4pm and Thurs. 3:30pm
- Winter Concert location TBD
- Parent Mtg. Sept. 24th
- Dual enrollment with SMC
- Jazz Combos are available for gigs

Treasurer Report: Alisa Stewart

- See attached budget
- Move to accept the budget: Lydia/ Seconded: Gerda
- Budget was accepted

Concert Band Report: Annie Goren (for Karen Wise)

- Concert dates are up on the Band calendar

- Parents can support the concert bands by signing up for Concert Café, buying tickets, participating in the raffles and purchasing merchandise
- Formal Wear is a requirement (specifics are on the website)
 - All choices are open to all students as long as they follow all the rules

Communication: Clare Haygood

- Emails
 - Emails will be consolidated and sent out most weekends
 - All links will be on the website
- SamohiBands.com
 - Newest info will be at the top
 - There is a search box at the bottom
 - If you look online, it will be there!
- Facebook: Samohi Band Family
 - Band calendar can be linked to your home calendar
 - Great resource

Marching Band: Yunilda

- Friday night football games at SMC
 - If there is a football game then the practice is on Thursday night instead of the regular Friday night practice that we have before Comps
- Meal Plans
 - Info was sent out and families need to pay for the meals
- Dinkles
 - New ones are available to order through this week
 - Can borrow from Band or exchange old Dinkles
- T-shirts
 - Wonderland shirts will be available for \$18

Pit Orchestra for the spring musical: Cydney Kirschbaum

- Orchestra give opportunities to Band and Orchestra student musicians to work collaboratively
- Leadership opportunities
 - Pit Managers and Assistant Pit Managers who work closely with Mr Sakow
- Musical is "Side Show" this year and performances are in March

Wind Ensemble Trip: Janie Doctor and Jennifer Raymond

- Tour payment is due
- All information is up on the website (itinerary etc..)
- Performances will be amazing
- Chaperone volunteers can submit paperwork
- Travel Insurance information will be forthcoming
- WE text Remind: 81010 test @SamoWE and your name
 - That's what everyone will use on the tour

Meeting adjourned 8:45

BPA Budget – School Year 2018-19
Approved at BPA meeting September 4, 2018

Samohi Bands Income/Expense	2017-18 Totals	2018-19 Budget
INCOME		
Direct Donation Income	\$100,374.72	\$118,500.00
Fundraising Income	\$69,845.57	\$68,900.00
Grants Received*	\$1,090.00	\$31,000.00
Travel Income (paid by families of touring students)	\$49,040.00	\$185,300.00
Other Income (bank interest, coins found on street)	\$24.42	\$25.00
Total Income	\$220,374.71	\$403,725.00
EXPENSES		
Awards Expenses (medals, trophies & scholarships)	\$2,615.23	\$2,700.00
Competition, Festival & Honor Group Expenses	\$9,215.40	\$10,900.00
Fundraising Expenses (rentals, printing, prizes)	\$14,020.98	\$12,700.00
Instruction – partially paid through SMMUSD payroll; partially paid directly to coaches	\$85,483.27	\$81,000.00
Instrument Expenses – purchases & repairs**	\$19,159.42	\$5,000.00
Organizational Expenses (Banking, web, photocopier)	\$5,596.06	\$5,800.00
Program Expenses (Sheet music, equipment, uniforms)	\$36,466.47	\$40,100.00
Travel Expenses (Big tour + marching & jazz buses)	\$64,544.75	\$247,000.00
Total Expenses	\$237,101.58	\$405,200.00
Net Income (negative)	(\$15,688.43)	(\$1,475.00)

*We are requesting a \$30,000 grant from the City of Santa Monica to help pay for students who cannot afford the cost of the tour.
 **\$5,000 is a typical baseline for Band instrument expenses. In the Spring, if we have available income, we purchase more.