



TIMBERLANE MUSIC ASSOCIATION MEETING
September 14, 2021, 6:30PM, Recital Hall

OPENING 6:30pm

Speaker: Melissa Theberge

- Introduction of the board members
 - Melissa Therberge, President
 - Dena Fleno, Vice President
 - Dianne Heely, Treasurer
 - Michele Phair, Secretary
- We support all ensembles, not just Band, Band jumps right in before the start of school therefore it just seems we are doing a lot for Band right now but all ensembles are supported. Please ask us for help!

STUDENT OFFICER REPORTS

Speaker: Band, President Laura Hill

- She thanked TMA for helping to make band camp run so smoothly
- First Football game Friday, September 17th. They are ready and excited to officially get the season started. Volunteers are needed for:
 - Run the water station
 - Getting things set up.
- Honors Jazz Band it back and will be having rehearsals after school
- Jazz AllState auditions are coming up on October 16th
- Question: Money in our Fundraiser accounts, how does that work?
 - Distribution: All funds raised by fundraisers have to be used for TMA, ensemble needs, and can't be given directly to students
 - Lessons: You can use the current balance in your account to pay for TRSD private lessons. There is a special form to fill out to make the transfer. Just reach out to TMA to get this form
 - Sibling: If the money is not used it is transferred to an upcoming Timberlane sibling
 - Extra deposit: If a parent made a special deposit into your account they may request to get that back.

- Any monies that are not transferable to a sibling will be rolled over to our scholarship fund.

Speaker: Orchestra, President Lexi Wagnitz

- The beginning of the year has been very successful
- We have 15 very talented freshman that have joined us
- We have been working on
 - Site reading and getting to know each other
 - There isn't a lot the orchestra needs from TMA at this time but we will reach out if anything comes up.
 - Went over opportunities and dates such as:
 - Chamber Orchestra is back and we will be conducting auditions for that in the near future.
 - Classical AllState Auditions are November 20th
 - We have a special ensemble available called NE Fiddlers. This is a great opportunity to get together and learn different genres and have some extra fun. Rehearsals are after school
 - First concert is December 12th. We got our pieces for this. This concert will be back at our traditional presentation of the all day concerts

Speaker: Chorus, President, Marshall Romano

- We have 50 new freshman! This makes a total of 80 chorus members
- Have been working on:
 - Getting everyone acclimated
 - Uniform fittings, which are almost done. This is conducted by the student leaders.
 - Chamber Chorus is back but is smaller than in the past. There are only 8 members. This is going really well

Speaker: Chorus, Secretary, Max Orio

- We are lucky to have Mr. Perington to help with teaching chamber choir.
- On October 22nd the Chamber Choir will be attending a Music Festival
- We have been working on a lot of music theory lessons.
- Concert Choir has been given 3 songs to start with
- Chamber Choir has been given 5 songs to start with

STUDENT FUNDRAISER NOTES

Speaker: Melissa Theberge

- Seniors, please consider the calendar fundraiser to help future classes, scholarships, and others. Think legacy. Investing in the students and the future.

- We need pictures for the calendar.
 - Please Pass on any pictures you have for yearbook and calendar.
 - Send them to Mr. Schweiss or to TMA: timberlanemusicma@gmail.com
 - We will work on setting up a google drive to possibly be able to share so you can upload them directly to the drive.
 - Pictures for the Calendar sale needed ASAP to add them to calendar
 - Pictures for the Yearbook we will need throughout the year.

TREASURER REPORT

Speaker: Treasurer, Dianne Healy

- Reminder to seniors they can use fundraising for TRHS private lessons
- Balances: Graduating seniors' left over money will be transferred to younger siblings. The students without siblings money will be transferred to the scholarship funds
- Financial Account Status
 - Students Account: \$25,740
 - TMA Account: \$3843
 - Calendar Account: \$67.04
 - CD: \$5,412
 - Total of all Accounts ~ \$41,000
- A few deposit clarifications were made
 - There were larger membership amounts made to our Venmo account. Melissa clarified that these were additional donations from Freshman during Freshman night
 - Some parents paid for Band Uniforms through our Venmo account. This is only used for membership payment. We will need to figure out how to transfer these funds to the correct account.
- Diane got Melissa a PO Box key
- Dianne needs the Drum Major receipts; Melissa will get these to Dianne.

STAFF/OTHER REPORTS

Speaker: Interim Director of Music, Kurt Schweiss

- First Football game is friday evening and we need volunteers
- Where do we stand for volunteer status
 - There is a list of current designated volunteers
 - Designated volunteers are those people that are able to be alone in the building with students.
 - For the Football game regular volunteers are fine as there won't be any instances where volunteers will be alone with students.
 - A sign-up genius was to go out tomorrow, Friday, September 17th.
- Dover Band Show will need volunteers, this is the same day as Jazz AllState. We are unsure what type of volunteers we will need for this trip.
- What is going on with the Volunteer Process?

- Christopher Kellan spoke on this question:
 - Once all of the new staff members have gone through this screening process we will be able to move on to the parent volunteers.
 - Expiration of volunteers? We believe this depends on the SAU and the superintendent
- What about a trip?
 - Unfortunately, Disney is not possible this year as there are certain qualifications from we could not possibly meet.
 - NYC was another discussion but they require everyone to be vaccinated. Therefore, this is not an option.
 - We will consider this a non-trip year but we are keeping the possibilities open
- Timberlane Community Music Association
 - Adult music groups
 - Concert Band, Every other Thursday from 6:30 - 8:30pm, starting on September 23rd
 - Jazz Band, Thursdays from 6:30 - 8:30pm, starting on September 15th
 - Guitar Orchestra, Every Thursday from 6:30-8:30pm
- From Mr. Clark
 - Band is getting shoes this week before the Football game
 - He sent out an email with the breakdown of the Football game
 - They will not be selling tickets for the game but accepting donations instead.
- Dianne Healey asked if they might do the Tri-M instrument swap again.
 - Will look into doing it in the spring but not feasible to do annually.

BAND CAMP WRAP-UP

Speaker: Melissa Theberge

- Band camp was back to normal and well attended by students.
- Volunteering was amazing - Grade 9 and 10 parents were very involved and learning new things -- thank you to all!!
- Local Companies made donations
 - Atkinson County store donated ice
 - Louis Pizza gave us pizza's for Freshman night for only \$5 a pizza.

RAFFLE CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

Speaker: Melissa Theberg spoke on behalf of Dena Fleno

- The Calendar is extremely beneficial, especially for the trips.
- This is the sale to put energy into.
- Cost & funds earned
 - Cost: \$15,

- First 20 calendars sold, kids make \$8-10 and the balance goes to TMA to pay for overhead.
 - Any calendars sold over your 20 calendars you get the full \$15 to your account.
- There will be a slightly different model for the calendars
 - Seniors from each ensemble will be on the cover
 - Banner and business card ad options
 - Businesses can also get a digital push. We will promote them with a link on Facebook and on our website for an additional cost.
- Students will get their paperwork in google classroom.
- We prefer to receive one check or venmo payment for the total amount of all your orders. Have customers pay you directly and then send one check to us. This will make this a lot easier for tracking purposes.
- We will be promoting the google document for you to import your purchase information. This will make it more accurate, readable and streamlined. This will also do the math for you!
- **The sale will be from September 24 to October 18th.**
- Ads needed -- very important to raise funds for making the calendar.
 - Businesses can write a check payable to TMA. If they want to venmo, that is possible but it's very important that they list their company name, information and a description of their company and what it is for. Checks are easier but if they insist on venmo we won't deny them.
- Question: Is TMA a 501C3? Yes
- Suggestion: Add the Tax ID# to the business letter, lots of companies require this for their donations.
- Tip: have the kids do the post on FB and you share it.
- It costs ~\$2000 to get 1000 calendars printed.
- We need to push ad sales, especially the digital option
- We need new businesses to promote this calendar.
- There will be a google document to keep track of companies we have visited. This will be a shared document so everyone can add to it as businesses are visited. Be sure to check this document before entering an establishment
- Dena is sending letters to past advertisers.
- Volunteers Needed:
 - People to visit and/or send letters to new businesses
 - People to do follow-up calls
- Distribution of calendars is at the December concert
- Hannaford to-go bags are really useful for calendar distribution. Please bring them to the next meeting if you have them.

OTHER FUNDRAISERS

Speaker: Melissa Theberge

- Raffle baskets

- Donation requests are in the calendar letter.
- Raffle baskets fundraiser are for 8th grade and up and are done at concerts.
- Money goes directly to the TMA general fund and scholarships.
- Raffles are a quick turnaround as they are raffled off and given the same night tickets are sold.
- Apparel
 - We need a Chairperson to run this--Amy Newton volunteered.
 - We have 4 volunteers so far.
 - It has been done via a website in the past
 - We have gotten a kickback from the sales in the past, we are open to just selling with no kickback if that is what is easiest.
 - Suggested Vendors:
 - Atkinson Graphics.
 - They have a lot of apparel in stock, this is beneficial as it cuts down processing time as most people like to purchase for holiday gifts.
 - Chris Kellan has offered to reach out to them.
 - They send it out for embroidery work.
 - Don Donaghue
 - Does Embroidery work
 - Collins Sports
 - Located in Rochester, NH
 - Does embroidery on site
 - Where are the graphics located, from when we had apparel printed in the past.

OTHER SUPPORT

Speaker: Melissa Theberge

- Senior night at the Football games, we need a date
- Website Support
 - Trisha Flahive is interested in helping with the website.
 - Michelle Livingston will help with this
 - Sign up genius: Amy Newton will help with setting this up for volunteers and needs.

NEXT MEETING

- **October 12th (2nd Tuesday) at 6:30pm**
 - Discuss calendar info, merchandise, raffle baskets, concerts, etc.
 - Volunteer updates and more

Adjournment: 7:55pm

Thank you for coming and supporting us!