

In attendance: D Crowley, K O'Brien, K Smith, S Brockman-Lee, Michele Whalen, J Bruno, S Driscoll, J Crowley, M McAfee, G Pari, D Corrado, A Tang, P Miller, S Callahan, J McAfee

Call to order: 7:35pm

Routine Business:

Upcoming Events:

Memorial Day ceremony is **Monday, May 27th**

- Students are to meet at the high school at 8:30am. Anyone who thinks there may be an issue with their uniform fitting should report to the high school at 8:00am.
- The band will march to Oak Grove Cemetery, attend the ceremony and parade back to the memorial at the corner of Winthrop and Steven Miller Drive.
- The annual band cookout and fall show announcement will begin at noon.

MHS Graduation is **Wednesday, June 5th** at the Gantcher Center, Tufts University. Mrs. Rello will post additional information on the band App.

Spring Band Camp- June 17 through June 21 5:00pm-8:00pm at MHS

Mandatory Meeting for all returning/new band members will be held on **Wednesday, May 29th at 6:00pm**

Summer Band Camp – August 12th through August 23rd
Double sessions: 9am - 1pm/ 4pm – 8pm

Fall Practices – Tuesday nights at Hormel
Wednesday nights at MHS

NESBA Medford home show is **Saturday, September 21st**.

Old Business

501(c)3: We are still waiting for our tax exemption status. The lawyer was contacted again and assured us that she is working on it.

New Business

Amendments to the Bylaws were presented by Ramon Fernandes (see attached). Several of them pertained to the BPO Board election process and created a contingency plan in the event that a current officer would no longer be eligible to run for office due to their child graduating and no eligible member is interested in running.

Membership approved the proposed amendments with no minority opinion.

Annual Elections

- **President**

Dave Crowley was nominated for another term as president without opposition

- **1st Vice President for Outreach and Fundraising**

Sandy Brockman-Lee was nominated for another term as 1st VP without opposition

- **2nd Vice President for Inventory**

There was no interest in this position. Per the approved amendment, the Board voted to keep **Keith O'Brien** in this position

- **Secretary**

Rinah Yamamoto was nominated for another term as secretary without opposition

- **Treasurer**

There was no interest in this position. Per the approved amendment, the Board voted to keep **Karen Smith** in this position

- **Middle School Liaison**

There was no interest in this position by any of the attending members. Since the middle school liaison is not a director, this vacancy will be discussed at the next BPO meeting. Mrs. Rello is anticipating 20 middle school students to sign-up for marching band, so filling this vacancy is very important.

Budget Report by the Treasurer

The treasurer reported that the BPO fundraisers for FY19 netted \$23,228. These funds allowed several major purchases to include 2 contrabasses used last fall and new sabers and rifles that the winter guard was able to use as they captured the championship title in the NESBA Local Scholastic Regional Class A division in March. Also on order is a new marimba and sound system. The FY20 budget is \$24,000 of which

\$16,000 is for marching band season. We anticipate \$20,000 with our planned FY20 fundraising events. Combined with our current bank balance of \$12,870, the program is fiscally sound.

The BPO was reminded that all proceeds from the 2019 Ad book would be going towards the Hawaii trip in 2020.

Band dues

Band dues are currently set at \$100 with an additional \$10 fee for uniform rentals. A member asked whether dues could be raised by \$25 to help support the growing program. The president said he would check school policy regarding an increase.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm