

MVHS Instrumental Music Boosters 2021-2022

Meeting Minutes Sept. 7

Attending: (Jacqueline Trager, Lara Vastano, Anna Linde, Ricky Alegria, Jill Denny, Richard Jueicheng Lo, Maureen Kelly, Michael Jimenez, Gina Estrada, Gordon Elder, Ru-Fang Yeh, Suzanne, Alice, Mia & Jim Whitfield, Ian Shiu, Anita Backus Chang, Allison Devenney)

7:05 p.m. Welcome and Introductions: Lara Vastano (President) introduced herself & the IMPA Board.

7:10 p.m. Approval of minutes May 4th - motion to approve by Jacqueline Trager. No corrections or discussion were noted.

7:10 p.m. Music Directors Reports: Ricky Alegria and Anna Linde & Dept Coordinator update Jill Denny

Anna Linde: Introduced herself & looks forward to a year of music making and a year full of support.

- Upcoming Performances - football game Sept 17; fall instrumental concert 10/14 at 6pm; Winter Chamber Concert 11.30 at 7pm; Winter Instrumental Concert 12/10 at 7pm.
- Student Bright Spots:
 - Orchestra Welcome Back Party (highly attended by freshman);
 - Friday Nights Lights; Exploring Music Progress (working on violin and will move on to trumpet saxophone & drums - focusing on providing an experience to learn an instrument.
 - Orchestra Informance (both string orchestras were on stage all together - a fun & wonderful moment!)

Ricky Alegria: Introduced himself & is looking forward to a great year

- Informance was a success!
- Marching Band: 79 members (3 A Classification WBA; 4 NCEA Classification)
- Oct 14 - next concert (44 wind ensemble; 30 concert/symphonic band)
- Wind Ensemble Tour to Hawaii - Pacific Basin Music Festival in March
- Safety Guidelines updates: indoors - now requiring 6 ft apart. Ricky will update any changes to current safety guidelines as they change.

Jill Denny: Introduced herself, thanked Ian Shiu for his student leadership.

- Performing Arts Department update: focusing on equity and how it looks in performing arts; look at where inequities exist and how they can be addressed (ex: costumes, access to instruments and repertuar)
- Congratulated Anna's orchestra party and Pep Band leadership
- Congratulated Ricky's Informance & Marching Band leadership

7:20 p.m. Student Music Council representative- Ian Shiu

Ian has participated in all ensembles at MVHS.

- Informances: they all went well from students' perspective; students are learning rep for the upcoming concerts
- Marching Band: Band Camp was a success - in person! Able to include away camp traditions. 3 rehearsals per week and working toward the Community Thank You performance. Uniform fitting - Ian thanked the parents that helped.
- Pep Band: 1st game was a success; a lot of fun and a good vibe. Lots of spirit at the game.
- Music Council: just approved the ASB budget and updated the program slogan.

7:30pm Michael Jimenez - Principal Report: Music activities are scheduled; Safety update on current regulations = masked and bell covers indoors; Performances are allowed outdoors unmasked with bell covers; Congratulated the Pep Band at the first football game - they will continue to perform at all home games.

7:35 p.m. Board Reports
President and VP

- Lara encouraged parents to check out the website and volunteer!
- Jacqueline thanked Anna and Ricky for all they are doing

7:35 p.m. Treasurer's Report
Review and ratify expenses from 2020-2021
Budget proposal for 2021-2022 school year

- Richard updated the financials
- Ending balance of 2020-21 \$60k
- 2019 - 2020 total expenses \$90k
- Note: Clinicians are now being called staff; guest artists are now being called clinicians
- See budget document - descriptions of line items for all projected spending
- Vote on budget at October Meeting
- Fundraising: TACO night was not able to happen due to COVID regulations; ***ACTION ITEM: hold a Fundraising meeting to discuss creative ways to raise funds in order to support Anna/Ricky and the programs.***
- IMPA Proposal by Ricky & Anna (see spreadsheet)
 - Ricky Alegria: Contracted Staff, Drill Writing, Clinicians, Professional Development, Scholarships, On Field Equipment, Awards & Plaques, Overhead Expenses
 - Anna Linde: Contracted Staff, Clinicians, Scholarships, Awards & Plaques, Pep Band Uniforms, Professional Development, Exploring Music
 - Donations can be made via the website by Paypal and credit cards through Cut Time
 - CD Fundraiser: Choir & Instrumental Programs will contribute to a CD that can be sold and used as a fundraiser. Jill Denny has invited Tour students to participate

- Poinsettias/Wreaths/Candles - Jill extended the option for Instrumental students going on tour to also use this as a fundraiser
- Communication - ***ACTION ITEM: IMPA and Teachers will meet in the Spring (April-May) to discuss wording and amount listed in the mailing request and take into consideration tour costs, etc.***
- PTSA Donations to IMPA - ***ACTION ITEM: explore the history of the PTSA donating to IMPA***

8:15 p.m. Announcements or additional business

- Tuesday October 5 @ 7pm next IMPA meeting (virtual)

8:15 p.m. Meeting Adjourned by Lara Vastano

(Meeting minutes prepared by Allison Easley Devenney)