

Johnston Vocal Parents Association - Minutes
August 31, 2020
6:00 p.m. via Zoom

Attendance: Missy Winterboer, Andy Vis, Toni White, Mindy Webb, Jennifer Solwedel, Jo Lynn Yeutsy, Leslie Lindeman, Jennifer Dugan Burns, Hannah Ryan, Jorie O'Leary, Angela Gallagher, Patrick Mattingly, Jenny Lashier, Melinda Chamberlin, Ann Crouse, Jenny Adams, Michelle Polder, Lisa Fergus, Martha Condon, Raedeen Vandenoever, Andrea Hodapp, Nicholas ?

Call to order: Missy Winterboer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes from last meeting: Michelle Polder motioned, Mindy Webb seconded- Motion APPROVED

Treasurer's report: Andy Vis discussed the requests from the Directors for this year. Acknowledging this year will be nontraditional, the list was broken into two sections. One for immediate needs and the second for future needs (if and when they occur). Jennifer Solwedel reviewed the overall budget. She discussed which expenses fall into each category. She also addressed that Showzam and Madrigal funds (both incoming and outgoing) may look different than in years past.

Motion to approve the 2020-2021 Budget: Andy Vis motioned, Jenny Lashier seconded - Motion APPROVED

Directors' Report:

JHS - Hannah Ryan: The JHS students had a great first day back at school.

All State: They are still planning for the All State audition process - it will be virtual auditions as soloists. The festival has not been cancelled at this time.

Show Choirs: Choirs are in choreo rehearsals and preparing for the season.

Choirs: Students have been given a Choir handbook and information is also on the Moodle site. She is hoping some events can go on, although they will certainly look different.

JMS - Jorie O'Leary: A good first day back at JMS and it is wonderful to be back singing with the students again.

Show Choirs: Sound Advice rehearsals began August 31st under the direction of Melody Clutter. IMPACT starts on September 8th with Jorie.

OPUS: The event has been canceled for this year. Jorie anticipates she will have 9th graders go through the process as a learning experience, although it will not be part of the OPUS program.

Madrigal Report: Andrea Hodapp, Raedeen Vandenoever and Jennifer Dugan Burns are the Co-Chairs this year. They have had initial meetings with the directors and are committed to providing an experience for the students, although obviously it will not be what it has been in the past. The event will likely be held at the school. They are currently looking at district space and

capacity to determine a new plan. The costs will be much lower, as food will likely not be involved or be very minimal. The cost of the church rental will also be saved.

Showzam Report: Matt and Chris Starr are the Chairs (not in attendance). They are aware it will be different than previous years and are observing what is going on with other competitions. At this point they are still planning on some sort of competition/experience for the students.

Fundraising Report : Michelle Polder is the Fundraising Chair. Please share any ideas that you may have with her. Yard sale signs close this week and have raised over \$1000. VPA will not be selling Encore cards this year. VPA will host a can drive in JMS parking lot on September 19th from 9AM -12PM. Volunteers will be needed from 8:30AM - 2PM. Look for Sign-Up Genius from your director to volunteer. VPA will likely sell holiday pies and wreaths later this fall. More information to come.

Other New Business:

Show Choir reps needed for Bella Voce and IMPACT:

Jenny Adams volunteered for Bella Voce

Martha Condon volunteered for IMPACT

Parent needed for JHS Choirs to assist with costumes:

Leslie Lindeman volunteered.

Jorie expressed a big thanks from the teaching staff to the VPA for all they do. She also asked the VPA to be instrumental in offering support to the directors around the difficult decisions that may need to be made this year.

Next meeting: Monday, December 14, 2020 6:00pm

Motion to adjourn: Andrea Hodapp motioned, Angela Gallagher seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.