



Ingraham Performing Arts Booster Meeting April 7, 2021 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Minutes

- Come to Order; Minutes from March meeting approved and adopted.
- Fundraising Update (Rachel): there is no Treasurer's Report again this month; Davida was not able to prepare her report in advance of this meeting; we are currently recruiting for Davida's replacement; John Lembo, an attendee at the meeting, expressed an interest in the Treasurer role; Rachel will send John more information about the position.
 - Last month Rachel reported on the invoice from Alex, the guy in charge of streaming for the Showcase; after much back and forth, they settled on \$1,350.
- Board Recruitment: we are continuing to recruit for the 2021-2022 IPAB Board; here's where we stand as of this meeting:
 - o President OPEN
 - O Vice President Deanna Meyerhoff (Deanna mentioned to Rachel that she may be interested in a co-president position)
 - o Secretary Debbie Casselman
 - Treasurer OPEN
 - o Communications Stefanie Malone
 - o Fundraising Chair OPEN
 - o Volunteer Coordinator OPEN
 - o Band Liaison OPEN
 - o Choir Liaison OPEN
 - o Orchestra Liaison Anne Bloom
 - o Theatre Liaison Dan Suiter
 - o Paul Vahey ?
- Creation of a Schedule of Performing Arts Events: Rachel expressed concern that we do not currently have a master schedule of Ingraham events to use to track events year by year; earlier this year the Twelfth Night production caught us off guard; motivated to create a document so we can pass on our institutional memory to future IPAB boards; during the meeting, a document was drafted with everyone present sharing their knowledge of events; this draft document now resides in Google docs; Rachel will send to the teachers for review and request they clarify events and dates (no teachers were present during this meeting).
- Grant Writing (Rachel): Shane drafted the Verity grant application and sent to Rachel for her review; the teachers are asking for about \$1,500 to purchase three carts on which to stack chairs; once Shane signs the grant application, Rachel will submit to Verity;
 - Dan suggested we also check with the school district surplus since they have a warehouse of chair carts.
 - Anne Bloom mentioned "Washington Grant Watch," a subscription-based site where one can buy a one-week subscription for about \$20 that has a database of all the grants available and can be filtered by need; Stefanie does grant writing professionally and may know about this site; discussion about the benefits of focusing on grant money to supplement our fundraising; Anne Goodchild, attendee at the meeting, knows a parent who is a professional grant writer, and will check with him regarding Grant Watch and also Grant Source, suggested by Dan Suiter.
- Musical Theater Budget (Dan, Beth): brief discussion regarding budget concerns for the musical theater productions; due to school being shut down, there was no revenue generated for last year's musical, but there were expenses; no musical revenue is being generated for this year's musical to offset expenses, and this year's expenses are greater; at this rate there will be no money in the budget to produce the Fall show; brief discussion about possible ways to generate revenue; IPAB could easily help with an Ask, and/or could utilize social media to request donations; more on this later.
- FOI Update (Debbie): last month's FOI meeting topics focused on FOI recruitment for open positions (many are the same as IPAB's open positions), Principal Floe outlined plans for students to return to in-person learning, and the upcoming FOI auction; Dan Suiter will plan to attend the next meeting on 4/19/2021 as the IPAB representative.

Upcoming Meetings: May 5

"The purpose of this organization is to support the performing arts at Ingraham High School by providing volunteer efforts and financial support to the programs, staff, instructors, and students."