

## Hollidaysburg Arts and Music Parents Association (HAMPA)

Meeting Minutes

Date:

Time: 7:00pm

### Call Meeting to Order:

- 7:02 pm by Brigitte Donlan
- Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

### Officer Reports:

**President-** Kelly Hartman ([president@hampamusic.com](mailto:president@hampamusic.com)) (absent)

- No report

**Senior High Vice Presidents-** Lisa Brenneman and Connie Pope ([SHVP@hampamusic.com](mailto:SHVP@hampamusic.com))

- Uniforms are all cleaned for Disney
- A few needed to be fixed.
- Just a few more students that need their uniforms checked
- Bus boxes restocked and good to go.

**Junior High Vice President-** Brigitte Donlan ([JHVP@hampamusic.com](mailto:JHVP@hampamusic.com))

- Things are getting ready for the Spring Concert season
  - All volunteer opportunities are on CutTime
- Help needed for Elementary music concerts
- Kennywood- need for chaperones on CutTime
  - Clearances are needed and must be board approved.

**Drama Vice President-** Mandy Baker ([dramaVP@hampamusic.com](mailto:dramaVP@hampamusic.com)) (Absent)

- Willy Wonka- RECORD attendance!!
- Thank you to everyone that helped with this production.
- Great Gatsby- coming up the first weekend in April

**Secretary-** Nikole Eardley ([secretary@hampamusic.com](mailto:secretary@hampamusic.com))

- Thank you notes with 25/26 ticket vouchers sent to sponsors that donated

**Treasurer-** Beth Corey ([treasurer@hampamusic.com](mailto:treasurer@hampamusic.com))

**Assistant Treasurer-** Joni Baraniak

- Working on updating everything

**Fundraising:** Nicki Keagy- Fundraising Chairperson ([fundraising@hampamusic.com](mailto:fundraising@hampamusic.com))

- Current Fundraiser: Gardner's, Claysburg Pizza pretzels
  - Wrapping up on March 21st
  - Delivered April 12th
  - No more individual fundraisers for this school year.
  - Acoustic Coffee Fundraiser again- will benefit HAMPA as a whole, not individual accounts
    - This will come out at the end of April/beginning of May.

**Concession Stand Updates:** Tommy Fedesco and Bernie Pavlock- Concession Stand Managers ([concessions@hampamusic.com](mailto:concessions@hampamusic.com))

- Concessions are doing great!
- A full crew is coming to Spring clean up, so it shouldn't take very long.
- Pepsi is doing their ordering a little differently this year, but it will make things easier.
- **There are many open spots for concessions on CutTime**
  - Please sign up to help concessions, all on CutTime.
- Getting ready for next season, working on a final schedule with Homer
  - Once the fall schedule is finalized, Tommy will work on updated CutTime.
  - Will have 2 major cleanings appx. two weeks before Tiger Pride
- Will need to talk soon about ordering Hot Water tanks, need replaced before Fall season.
- Work to be done soon on stands, countertops, weather protecting backing.. (Dewey- thank you! Big supporter of HAMPAs, we greatly appreciate it!

**Directors Reports or Comments:**

**Senior High Bands-** Scott Sheehan

- **See Report**
- Performance evaluations almost complete
  - This information is sent to Guidance for scheduling
  - Please reach out to Mr. Sheehan with any scheduling concerns. He works closely with the guidance department on music scheduling issues.
- **See Upcoming Spring Concert Dates and Band Camp Weeks in report below**
- Gearing up for Disney in all groups, after school practices scheduled.
- Disney updates
  - Pick up tickets- Monday after March 10th marching band practice 4-4:30pm.
  - Will NOT give tickets to students
  - Itinerary sent home via email/CutTime
  - ALL info is in the Disney Packet that was sent home prior. Can be found on Google Classroom as well.
- Disney Questions from the meeting:
  - Students are NOT permitted to leave the Park or Hotel with their family!
  - Luggage-
    - Please reach out to Mr. Sheehan with any individual questions.
    - Buses will transport all student uniforms and instruments.
    - If your student is NOT taking the bus, Wednesday evening (after Animal Kingdom) parents will need to get their student's luggage to them during hotel check in.
    - Reminder to students riding the bus, you are NOT able to get into luggage that is stored under the bus until Wednesday evening when at the Hotel.
      - Students- Pack anything you need in your backpack for the bus. (Contact solution, deodorant, clothes for Wednesday at the park, anything you need for your day at the park!)
    - IF your student is NOT riding the bus

- 8am Saturday- will need to pick up their luggage from the hotel prior to the bus leaving for the park that day.
- Packing- keep to a medium suitcase (only there for 4 days!)
  - Backpack for bus permitted
- Dr. Lechter has updated staff on workload for students while they're gone.
  - A week plus a day to makeup assignments
- Spending Money
  - \$200 for food
  - Will receive 1 meal coupon for each day
    - An entree, side, drink, and dessert
  - Send extra money for souvenirs
- Rehearsals coming up for Marching Band to prepare for Disney
  - Monday, March 10th 3-3:45pm
- Dates of each park are set.
- Disney Shirts
  - 2 anonymous donors, Thank you!
  - Students will get these shirts next week
  - Wear on Saturday
- Student tickets
  - Will be a credit card style ticket
  - Talk to Mr. Sheehan if you need your child's ticket to get information- (if you need to upload on Disney app and add a credit card, lightning lanes...)
  - Email Mr. Sheehan if you need student ticket information, hotel confirmation information..

**Senior High Orchestra and Drama- Stephanie Everett**

- See Report

**Junior and Senior High Choruses- Geoff McKain**

- Jr High
  - 7th graders performed County Chorus in Bellwood
  - Thursday, May 1st Jr. High Concert
- Sr. High
  - Next week in Region Chorus
    - 16 students attending Bellefonte
  - Prepping for Disney
    - Practices in the evenings
  - Wednesday March 12th Messiah University Concert Choir visit
    - Workshop with Fantazia
    - Perform for music dept.

**Junior High Bands-** Deenna Herb (absent)

- See Report

**Junior High Orchestras-** Jennifer Pappal (absent)

- No new updates

**Dance/Drill-** Alyssa Brozenich

- See Report

**Senior High Majorettes-** Julie Storm (absent)

- No report

**Junior High Majorettes-** Erin Yeager (absent)

- No report

**Drama-** Holly Mercer (absent)

- See Report

**HACT:** Kelly Hartman (absent)

- No report

**Elementary Faculty in Attendance:** Maria McElhinney

- Preparing for Spring concerts
- Two concerts will be held at Jr. High (band and orchestra)
- Chorus will be held at the Senior High
- Need volunteers- for all three Elementary concerts- See CutTime to sign up!
- Prepping for Song Fest in May
- Band fest in April
- About 10 students participating in each

**Old Business for Discussion:**

- PA Sales Tax Exemption- working with CPAs on this
- Vacancies on the board for 2025-2026 Nominating Committee
  - We need people for HAMPAs!
    - Melissa Krott nominated by Brigitte Donlan for Co-Jr. High VP
    - Jill Furry nominated- Mandy Lynn and Tammi Hlnish for Drama co VPS
    - Lisa Brenneman nominated- Jill Blescia for co Senior High VP
    - Please continue looking for nominations for the HAMPAs Executive Board
      - Next meeting in April, will open up nominations and then vote as well
- Auditing Committee- tabled until March
- By-Laws Review- meeting after March

**New Business for Discussion:**

- Tommy- think we should discuss purchasing an AED that would travel with us.
  - 3 would be needed ( one for each concession stand and one mobile AED)
  - Stephanie Evert-to make some inquiries with the Heart Association

**Adjournment:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Tommy, seconded by Lisa, 7:44pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nikole Eardley, Secretary

**Scott Sheehan, Senior High Band Director**  
**HAMPA Report – March 3, 2025**

- Jazz Band auditions are tomorrow evening – March 4 at 5:0pm at the SH Band Room. Performance evaluations are almost complete.
- The Region Band festival that will be held on March 5 – 7 at Altoona Area High School. Those students advancing are Jeff McCoy, Gideon Karn, Ethan Donlan, Rory Feathers, Sebastian Diaz, and Ben Freedman.
- The Senior High Jazz Band had 2 great performances at the Lights of Love event at the Presbyterian Village on Thursday, Feb. 13 and on performing on Friday, Feb. 28 at the Blair County Convention Center for the Pennsylvania Association of School Personnel Administrators (PASPA) Conference. Very proud of these students!

- **Disney Updates**

- **Final payments are past due. Anyone with an outstanding balance needs to get the payment to HAMPA ASAP!**
- The final itinerary and trip packet was sent through CutTime last week and was posted on Google Classroom.
- **Families who are traveling on their own can pick up their park tickets tonight after the HAMPA meeting or next Monday, March 10 at 4:00pm – 4:30pm.**
- Disney Rehearsal Schedule

Marching Band Parade Practices

Monday, March 10 - 3pm - 4pm

Monday, March 17 - 3pm - 3:45pm

Jazz Band

Monday, March 10 - 5pm - 6pm

Sunday, March 16 - 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Fantazia/Choir

Thursday, March 6 - 6pm - 7:30pm (Full Concert Choir)

Tuesday, March 11 - 6pm - 7:30pm (Full Concert Choir)

- **SH Spring Concert Dates:**

- SWE, Concert Choir, and Fantazia – April 8
- Orchestra & Concert Band – April 16
- Jazz Band at Hershey – May 3
- Chamber Concert – May 7
- Jazz Concert at Casino – May 8

- **Save the Date – Band Camp Weeks**

- Camp Week 1 – June 2 – 6
- Camp Week 2 – July 21 – 24 (no practice on Friday)
- Camp Week 3 – July 28 – 31 (no practice on Friday)

- We will have additional evening rehearsals in August.
  - A full schedule will be available in early February.
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SH Orchestra: Stephanie Everett

Rockin the Strings will be performed next Monday, March 10th at 7 PM in the Sr. High School Auditorium. We will feature music by Michael Jackson, Deep Purple, Led Zeppelin, Elvis, Bob Seger, Evanescence, Queen and more! Admission is free and we have special guests the 6th grade strings performing with us for a special collaboration.

Western Region Orchestra was a big success for our students. They had the privilege of working with Chris Thomas who is a young composer who has written for movies, TV and symphonic works. We have one student advancing to PMEA All State Orchestra in April and that is Ben Freedman on horn.

We are continuing to work on repertoire for our April 16th concert. Please mark your calendars for the Chamber Strings concert on Wednesday, May 7th. We will be featuring several concerti with student soloists with the ensemble.

HARP:

We are preparing for the upcoming performance of "The Great Gatsby" on April 3, 4 and 5th @ 7 PM.

Rehearsals are going well for the play and we are looking forward to performing this classic.

We are planning on having a Broadway in the Burg performance this year, however, we realized we don't have a definite date yet for that. We'll hope to have that ASAP.

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Deanna Herb- Junior High Bands

- On Wednesday afternoon, 9th Grade Band is performing for the residents at the Hollidaysburg Presbyterian Village. We will meet in the band room at the beginning of 7th period for a 1PM performance.
  - Our March Jazz Concert is on Tuesday, March 11 at 7PM. All groups report to the Junior High at 6:30 PM
    - Percussion Ensemble and 7th/8th Grade Jazz should wear their Hollidaysburg Band shirts and dark colored jeans or pants and sneakers.
    - 9th Grade Jazz should wear concert black
    - This concert is free, but donations will be accepted!
  - Looking ahead, our Junior High Band and Orchestra concert is Tuesday, May 6, at 6PM for 7th Grade and 7PM for 8th/9th Grades. Our final jazz concert is Thursday, May 8th at 6PM at the Casino at Lakemont.
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Alyssa Brozenich: Dance/Drill

The girls and I are very excited for the Disney trip.

The girls will be doing their normal make up (what they wore for football games). Their hair will be in a low ponytail with a middle part with their gold scrunchie. They will wear their blue pregame outfit with their tan tights and tan shoes.

They have the music and routine, so it is expected that they are practicing. It is also expected that they are at all the Disney practices

Girls need to bring everything from above and put it into their garment bags next practice (March 10th).

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Holly Mercer: Drama

HARP: The cast and crew are doing a fantastic job preparing for their upcoming performances of *The Great Gatsby*, which will be April 3-5, all at 7PM. We will need HAMPAs help with working the event on the nights of the show. Thanks, as always, for all of your support and all that you do!