

Hollidaysburg Arts and Music Parents Association (HAMPA)

Meeting Minutes

Date: April 14, 2025

Time: 7:00pm

Call Meeting to Order:

- 7:05pm by Kelly Hartman
- Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

Officer Reports:

President- Kelly Hartman (president@hampamusic.com)

- Nothing to report

Senior High Vice Presidents- Lisa Brenneman and Connie Pope (SHVP@hampamusic.com)

- All uniforms were cleaned before traveling to Disney, will work on organizing uniform room.

Junior High Vice President- Brigitte Donlan (JHVP@hampamusic.com)

- See Report

Drama Vice President- Mandy Baker (dramaVP@hampamusic.com)

- The Great Gatsby just wrapped up- show and cast party went really well!
- Had some baskets to raffle off- but not enough for every night
 - Will discuss how they want to proceed next year with basket raffles
 - Money raised from basket raffles went to Isaac tickets for students.
- Thank you for everything! Mandy Baker- (this is her last year as Drama VP)
- Lara Dolphin spoke
 - Willing to help and work with other people for future set productions
 - Kelly recommended to reach out to Holly Mercer

Secretary- Nikole Eardley (secretary@hampamusic.com)

- Nothing to report

Treasurer- Beth Corey (treasurer@hampamusic.com)

Assistant Treasurer- Joni Baraniak

- \$15,000 in the black (post Disney)
 - Beth has done a few things after this report was run.
- We have been trying to trim the budget- but also keeping in mind the cuts that the district has made. We do not want to make cuts to the program where HAMPA can help.
- Some outstanding expenses remain (end of year awards...)

Fundraising: Nicki Keagy- Fundraising Chairperson (fundraising@hampamusic.com)

- See Report

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

- Concessions have been going well so far this spring
 - Not very many concession opportunities remain
- Raised soda price (our cost has risen), not sure what will happen with other food items
- Hot water heaters- will be getting new
- 2 new 'laptops' that run the menu board- reaching out to Mike about this
- Working on getting new locks/keys this summer
- Will be open for Graduation
 - Tommy, Bernie, Mike will coo breakfast for sunrise breakfast
 - Concessions night of graduation
 - Concession credit for graduation will go towards next year
- Thank you to all that helped make concessions a success this year!
 - We appreciate all who have helped make the concession stand a success, we are always in need of help!
 - Kelly- HAMPA get hurt \$\$ when we don't have enough help to make a full menu

Directors Reports or Comments:

Senior High Bands- Scott Sheehan

- See Report

- Tri-M Music Honor Society
 - Will have a service project component, officers, small fundraiser
 - May 7th induction (see report)

Senior High Orchestra and Drama- Stephanie Everett

- Amazing Disney trip!!
- PMEA All State orchestra concert last week- amazing job!
 - Congrats to Ben Freedman- NAFME - all eastern orchestra next week
- Spring concert on Wednesday
- May 7th Chamber orchestra
 - TriM Music Honor society induction prior to concert.
- Drama

- Thrilled with The Great Gatsby!
- Broadway in the 'Burg coming soon
- Isaac Awards
 - HASD Les Mis performing "One Day More"
 - \$20 ticket cost for family and friends
 - HAMPAs will cover the ticket cost of students performing

Junior and Senior High Choruses- Geoff McKain

- See Report

Junior High Bands- Deenna Herb

- See Report

- 9th grade Jazz will perform at Longer- info to come

Junior High Orchestras- Jennifer Pappal- Absent

- Kennywood and concerts coming up!

Dance/Drill- Alyssa Brozenich

- See Report

Senior High Majorettes- Julie Storm

- Just wrapped up the indoor season
 - A lot of fun!
 - So thankful to have a successful parent preview
 - States was yesterday- very long day- the girls placed 2nd!
 - So proud of the girls and the progress they've made!

Junior High Majorettes- Erin Yeager- absent

Drama- Holly Mercer

- See Report

High School Drama

- *Into the Woods* will be next year's performance
- Auditions before end of school year
 - Looking at the week after Memorial Day
- Already starting to think of sets and costumes

Junior High Drama:

- Still debating what production to do for Junior High Drama
- Currently reading scripts will announce soon

HACT: Kelly Hartman

- Just met last week to discuss program, changing a few things up
- With 90 children in Willy Wonka decided to pull 3rd graders out of HACT, stick with 4th-6th grades
 - Will help keep the numbers a little more manageable
- Next year's show will be *Madagascar!*

Elementary Faculty:

- Bandfest on April 4th (12 student attended)
- All three concerts went really well. Thank you for the help!
- Songfest May 9th (11 students attending) at Northern Bedford

Old Business for Discussion:

- Still working with CPAs, (PA sales tax exemption) has stalled due to tax season
- Bylaws review committee coming up
- Still in need of an auditing committee (Internal financial review)
 - Please reach out to Kelly Hartman if you are interested in helping in this capacity
 - This is part of our Bylaws
 - This policy was written before having a CPA- reach out to CPA, is this internal financial review still needed now that we're working with a CPA?
- Nominating Committees report (handout at meeting)
- Kelly- open up the floor for nominations to any offices listed
 - Scott nominated Amy Hazlett as member at large
 - Amy agreed to have her name placed on the ballot
 - Mandy Baker seconded
 - Amy Hazlett added to member at large nominations
 - HAMPAs can have up to three "at large members"
- Kelly Hartman- presented the slate of nominees
 - Stephanie-made a motion to have the slate of nominees be approved as the HAMPAs executive board vote
 - Tommy seconded
 - The slate of nominees was approved unanimously, will be installed at the May HAMPAs meeting

New Business for Discussion:

- Volunteerism committee- info will come out from Kelly regarding this
 - Looking for ways to improve volunteering- especially in regards to concession stand
 - Reach out to Tommy and Kelly if interested in serving on this committee
- Amy Hazlett- Thank you to Mandy Baker for all of her years of service as the Drama VP. Thank you for all that you have done for the program- we greatly appreciate you!

Adjournment:

- Stephanie made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tommy
Adjournment at 7:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nikole Eardley, Secretary

Junior High Vice President Report: Brigitte Donlan

1. Elementary Band Concerts:

A. Wednesday, April 2nd Elementary Band

\$426.00 ticket sales

41.00 donations

\$467.00 TOTAL

B. Monday, April 7th Elementary Chorus Free (NO TICKETS SOLD)- very well attended

50/50 was collected

C. Thursday, April 10th Elementary Orchestra- very well attended as well

\$326.00 ticket sales

\$401 - 50/50

\$200 - kept

\$201 - given out - \$50 returned

Total - \$576

2. HAMPAs announcement went into the Elementary Band programs

A. Website provided by QR code

B. Dates went in for Summer Band

C. Future thought is to include link/announcement in Chorus and Orchestra programs in the Spring to get ahead of the Back to School frenzy

3. 8th grade uniform cleaning

A. Jill Furry is taking lead

B. Uniforms will be prepped the week of April 28th to May 2nd

C. Balfurd's will be pick up uniforms and clean

4. Junior High Upcoming Events -

A. Orchestra and Band - 5 volunteers signed up

B. Chorus Concert - 2 volunteers signed up

C. Kennywood - 15 chaperones signed up

D. Memorial Day Parade - 3 chaperones signed up

Fundraising Report: Nicky Keagy

Gardners and Claysburg Pizza distribution was Saturday, all went well but I still have one order to be claimed. I sent an announcement via CutTime and have the order at my house.

Acoustic Coffee Spring Tune Up kicked off April 1st and runs until April 30th. We've set a goal of 250 bags and there is a tracker on the order page (gets updated once a week I believe). We have sold 5 bags that I know of. Please share, share, share so we can reach our goal. The coffee is delicious and I've heard great reviews from those that ordered in the fall so we need to get the word out and help make the spring campaign a success. HAMPAs will receive \$3 for each bag sold with residual funds being earned after the campaign if/when return customers order.

An announcement was sent via CT with the link as well as 3 attachments to share. I've also made 2 posts on the HAMPAs Facebook page that can be shared as well. The link is <https://www.acoustic.coffee/pages/hampa-global-fundraiser>

Scott Sheehan, Senior High Band Director
HAMPAs Report – April 14, 2025

- The Disney Trip was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who helped in any way, especially our HAMPAs officers and chaperones!! It was an incredible experience for all of our students!
- Many thanks to Hollidaysburg Mayor Joe Dodson for recognizing the Senior High Music Department for our performances in Disney and our Best Communities recognition.
- **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
 - Fine Arts Banquet – May 21
- **Spring Marching Band Dates:**
 - Memorial Day Parade Practices - May 12 & 19
 - Dance Drill & Majorette Tryouts - May 10
 - Lieutenant Interviews - by appointment on May 13 and 15
 - Drum Major Tryouts - May 19 following parade practice (NEW DATE)
 - Drumline Clinic - April 30 & Drumline Tryouts - May 14
- Concert Band and Orchestra Concert is Wednesday.

- o Report time is 6:30pm. Wear formal concert attire - tuxedos and gowns. Concert starts at 7:00pm.
 - Reservations for the Jazz Concert are due next Tuesday, April 22. Info is attached. That is also the due date for the Jazz Band Hershey Trip payment.
 - Tri-M Music Honor Society forms are due by April 30. No late forms will be accepted. The induction will take place on May 7 at 6:30pm prior to the Chamber Concert.
 - The last Parade Practice and Drum Major Tryouts will be announce soon!
 - Fine Arts Banquet is on Wednesday, May 21 at 6:00pm. More information will be coming for that next week.

 - **Save the Date – Band Camp Weeks**
 - o Camp Week 1 – June 2 – 6
 - o Camp Week 2 – July 21 – 24 (no practice on Friday)
 - o Camp Week 3 – July 28 – 31 (no practice on Friday)
 - o We will have additional evening rehearsals in August.
 - o A full schedule was shared electronically and will be mailed home in a few weeks.
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HAMPA Report - April 14, 2025

Junior High Chorus

- Spring Concert is on Thursday, May 1 at 7:00pm in the Junior High Auditorium. Students are to report to the Junior High between 6:15pm-6:30pm. There will be a check in before they make their way to the band and chorus room. 7th Grade Chorus will keep their belongings in the chorus room, and 8th / 9th Grade Chorus will keep their belongings in the band room. There will be an option for both a physical program and a digital program at the concert.
- Information was sent home with the students as well as posted on ParentSquare. • \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for students.

Senior High Chorus

- Spring Concert was on Tuesday, April 8. Fantazia and Concert Choir had a stellar performance, featuring a ton music from modern composers.
- Region III Chorus was held from March 12-14 at Bellefonte Area High School and was incredibly successful! We had fourteen students representing Hollidaysburg at the festival! Seniors Carson Brenneman, Jeff McCoy, and junior Nora Stanek all qualified for the 2025 PMEA All-State Chorus festival, which was also held this past week. At Region Chorus, Nora placed first in the Soprano I section, and Carson and Jeff placed second and third in the Bass II section respectively. Seniors Gideon Karn and Jack Peterson, junior Alice Haslam, and sophomores Ethan Donlan and Jenna Zelem also placed in the top ten in their respective sections. Overall, great representation from Hollidaysburg this year!
- The PMEA All-State Chorus Festival was under the direction of Dr. Rollo Dilworth from Temple University. Hollidaysburg was fortunate enough to have three students represented in the All-State Chorus as mentioned previously. Carson Brenneman placed 8th, Nora Stanek placed 11th, and Jeff McCoy placed 23rd at All-States. The concert was fantastic!
- On March 12th, the Messiah University Concert Choir came and visited Fantazia and had a workshop and performance alongside them. Our students got the opportunity to learn from collegiate musicians and see what they do on a day to day basis, and did a little workshop with Dr. Joy Meade. Hollidaysburg was happy to welcome back Orphie Hartman, class of 2023, a member of Messiah's Choir.
- Upcoming: **Spring Jazz Concert** will be on Thursday, May 8th at the Casino. Fantazia should wear their normal Fantazia attire. Paperwork is due on **Tuesday, April 22. Graduation: Friday May 30th at 6:00pm at Tiger Stadium:** Fantazia will be performing the Star Spangled Banner and the Alma Mater, and the Senior Choir will be performing as well during the ceremony.
- **District 6 Chorus Auditions Rehearsals** - May 2025 - Three rehearsals after school to go over the audition piece before we leave for summer, as well as go over some general information regarding the festival. Students can join our PMEA Chorus Google Classroom with the code either on their ensembles Classroom, or from the board in the Senior High Chorus room.

Jr. High Bands: Deanna Herb

April:

- We are gearing up for concert season!
- Band and Orchestra Concert is Tuesday, May 6, at 6PM for 7th Grade and 7PM for 8th/9th Grades
- Jazz Band's Concert will be Thursday, May 8th at the Casino at Lakemont. Information has been handed out to students regarding purchasing tickets.
- Drumline Clinics will begin for 6th and 7th grade students in May. The schedule is as follows:
 - Monday, May 5 - 6th Grade Only from 6-7 PM
 - Monday, May 12 - 6th and 7th Grade from 6-7PM
 - Monday, May 19 - 6th and 7th Grade from 6-7 PM - auditions!
- Our Memorial Day Parade Practices will be Wednesday, May 14 and THURSDAY, May 22 (Note the change from the original date). The full Band will rehearse from 3-4 and drumline will stay for rehearsal from 4-4:30 PM.
- The Memorial Day Parade is Monday, May 26 – Junior High only performs in the Duncansville Parade, and will report to the Junior High at 10:30 AM for a 12 PM Performance. We will take a bus to the parade route and back to the Junior High at the end (return around 1:30 PM)

Dance Drill Reports: Alyssa Brozenich

Senior High Report:

Auditions- Practices are May 6th and 7th 3-4pm. Auditions are May 10th, 10am-noon. All in the 9th grade.

Memorial Day- Practices are May 12th and 21st. The Parade is May 26th.

Junior High Report:

8th Grade ONLY- Auditions- Practices are May 6th and 7th 3-4pm. Auditions are May 10th, 10am-noon. All in the 9th grade.

Memorial Day- Practices are May 14th and 22nd. The Parade is May 26th. Duncansville only. report time is 10:30 and we will be back by 1:30.

HARP and Junior Theater: Holly Mercer

HARP:

We are very proud of the cast and crew of *The Great Gatsby*! The kids did a fantastic job. We are very grateful for all of our volunteers from over that weekend, as well. HARP is preparing for the upcoming Isaac Awards, as well as Broadway in the Burg.

Broadway in the Burg will be on Monday, 5/19, in the Senior High auditorium. We will need parent volunteers for the lobby. The Isaac Awards will take place on Saturday, 5/24. We have not received any information about nominations yet. I announced the fall musical, *Into the Woods*, just this past week! The kids are extremely excited about it! Auditions will be prior to the end of the school year. The performance dates will be Thursday(11/20)-Saturday(11/22), all at 7PM

Junior Theatre:

Nothing new to report! We hope to make a decision about the show next year and to announce it to the students soon.

SH Orchestra:

We've just returned from a very successful PMEA all state orchestra festival and convention at Kalahari Resort. Congrats to Ben Freedman for participating as part of the Orchestra. The concert was outstanding !! Ben will have one more orchestral festival experience at Hartford Connecticut in about a week for the NAFME All- Eastern orchestra festival.

Wednesday will be the SH Orchestra spring concert alongside Concert Band.

May 7th @ 7 pm will be the Chamber Orchestra concert featuring soloists: Lindsey Warmath, Olivia Palguta, Anna Bender, Tabitha Smith, Jeff MCCoy, Kara Pappal and Ben Freedman.

Drama: We were thrilled with the run of performances of Miss Mercer's adaptation of "The Great Gatsby" earlier this month. We still have "Broadway in the burg" coming up on May 19th at 7 pm. Also, keep the Isaac Awards in mind. The entire cast of Les Miserables will be performing "One Day More" at the Isaac Awards on Saturday, May 24th at the Historic Mishler Theatre. Tickets are \$20 each for family and friends. Hampa will cover the student ticket cost for the participants. Next year's musical has been announced...

" Into the Woods"