**UMPS Meeting Minutes (Virtual Meeting)**

**March 4, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Co-Presidents Ann Sepersky and Sarah Wheeler. Ann and Sarah welcomed everyone to the UMPS meeting and thanked them for attending.

**Introductions**

The UMPS Board introduced themselves:

* Co-Presidents-Ann Sepersky and Sarah Wheeler
* Vice President-Mary Yank
* Treasurer-Carrie St. John (not present)
* Secretary-Sue Baker

**Minutes**

* Minutes from the February 1, 2021 meeting were presented for review. A motion was made by Mary Yank and was seconded by Sarah Wheeler to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

* No report due to no activity.

**Directors Reports**

Ms. Amys presented.

**UPCOMING MUSIC DEPARTMENT DATES/EVENTS**

* **Friday, March 19:  WSMA Solo/Ensemble video submissions and payment due**

**DEPARTMENT NOTES (SUMMARY OF THE PAST MONTH AND HIGHLIGHT OF UPCOMING EVENTS)**

* **FPMS BAND 6-8**
	+ We have continued instruction with our students in the classroom setting and with individual 10-15 minute virtual lessons. We are playing outside when the weather allows. 7th and 8th graders are working on solos for the WSMA Virtual Solo Festival and will submit their work prior to Spring Break - Solos are due Friday, March 19. All 6-8 band students are participating in the Marine Band’s March Mania.
* **FHS BAND**
	+ **Students will be wrapping up their solo repertoire unit of study on Friday, March 19.** All students, regardless of participation in the elective virtual WSMA district festival, will be submitting their summative assignments and recordings that week. **Please see this** [**communication**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Eaq9OSu3yUybi89_BUn4kSvC7_019p__0lLZ32buEKc/preview) **for WSMA festival registration and recording details.**

* **Virtual auditions for the 2021-2022 Wind Ensemble** will take place the week of March 22. Students will find all audition materials in [this Google Classroom](https://classroom.google.com/c/MjYxMTgxODA1MDA5?cjc=uyskxe3) (join code: **uyskxe3**), and they must [register for a sight-reading date on this document](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1LzOvQoPuGxHw7tige2FQZR-wpk1ksYHZthrcsrLpTvY/edit?usp=sharing) by **Friday, March 12**.

* [**Pit Orchestra rehearsals**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1aqncW5Y0oToP3TOGjlISTSXE4VNZEG03ixJBM_PM8pI/edit?usp=sharing) **for SONGS FOR A NEW WORLD have begun,** and we look forward to our in-person and livestream performance run **April 8-11, 2021**. Production details are available [here](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1mFMe1hCdWr2kCN1YPXWhwM9-EIa4DwpW/view?usp=sharing) for students and families. Livestream tickets will be available to the general public on the [Saber Center website](https://www.franklin.k12.wi.us/saber-center) (publication date TBD).

* **We are thrilled to share that our Fall 2021 marching show production will be WANDERLUST!** Details and next steps are available [here](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/156jVwQfDlfdZD0pPjINpDui7CWd9mauMyyJPbGzxdHA/preview). Please contact Mrs. Umhoefer and Mr. Werner with any questions!
	+ **We will be holding a parent/student information meeting in partnership with UMPS on Monday, April 12, at 7 PM.** Families will receive a virtual meeting link via email prior to that date.

* **CHOIR**
	+ Mrs. Heijnen has begun her maternity leave! Baby Oliver Richard Heijnen was born on February 19, 2021! While she’s gone, Ms Samantha Gibson will be stepping in! She is a recent graduate of Lawerence University and we are so happy to have her on our team!
	+ We are wrapping up our solo unit in the next few weeks, culminating with in-class “workshops” where each singer will share what they have been working on over the course of this unit with their peers.
	+ Singers who want to participate in our VIRTUAL solo/ensemble are welcome to do so. Final recordings (and payment on the UMPS website) is due by Friday, March 19th at 3pm.
* **ORCHESTRA**
	+ In addition to exploring new repertoire and sunsetting old pieces, we’ve taken some time throughout February to incorporate listening into our rehearsal routine.  We’re exploring a variety of genres and hearing from other professionals what it’s like to unlock high achievement and explore different styles of performance.
	+ Students at both the middle and high school level continue to add to their portfolio and receive personalized feedback on their submissions in addition to full group rehearsal on a monthly basis.

**Update on Third Thursday Fundraisers**

* February-Point After profit $150.
* March-Mod Pizza in Oak Creek on March 18th.
* April 15-Georgie Porgie’s.
* May-Culvers.

**Other Business**

* Uniform cleaning.
	+ Uniforms have been cleaned, organized and inventoried.
* Kelly Hazlett provided an update on UMPS scholarships.
	+ 4-$500 scholarships will be awarded.
	+ Applications are due April 23rd.
	+ Scholarships will be presented on May 25th at the Music Awards Event.
* Craft Fair-no fall or spring craft fair was held.
	+ Resulted in a significant reduction in income to UMPS.
	+ Discussed possible summer craft fair outdoors. Additional information is sought from the district on future events.
* Open Board positions for 2021/2022
	+ Treasurer
	+ Fundraising chair
	+ Communications coordinator

There was a motion by Sarah Wheeler to adjourn, second by Kelly Hazlett, motion approved.