

**AHS MUSIC BOOSTER EXECUTIVE MEETING NOTES**

**Date: September 14, 2017**

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**Discussion Items**

* **Approve minutes from last meeting** (approved)
* **Newletter**
  + Hopefully going out to come out, monthly
  + Joanna will send via e-mail
* **HCPSM (Howard County Parents School Meeting) liason**
  + Atholton will be hosting the meeting
  + Meeting dates: 10-16; 11-13; 1-8; 2-12; 3-12; 4-9 and 5-14
  + Looking for a liaison for a low-key, 45-minute meeting
  + Adopt best practices
* **Committee reports**
  + **Fundraising**
    - Patrons
      * + Patron information has been distributed.
        + The goal is to collect $250 donation per student involved in music.
        + $4000 collected from Patrons, so far
        + For each donation, the donor will receive an Atholton magnet.
    - Mattresses
      * + We are, most likely, not selling mattresses.
        + If done, it will be in the Spring.
    - Amazon
      * + Joanna is determining if Amazon is worth the effort.
        + Not sure is SMILE is worth it, either.
    - PayPal button
      * + It is doing well.
    - Spirit Wear
      * + Led by Maria
        + Go to Atholton’s Music Booster link to find Spirit Wear items to purchase.
        + Can customize items
        + Delivered within 5 days
    - Restaurant nights
      * + Ledo’s Fulton (10-17)
        + Chipotles at Maple Lawn (11-28)
  + **Orioles**
    - Winding down season, we have completed 14 of 15 events.
    - $10K goal
    - 30 tables; 124 shifts; $1900 in tips
    - 9-23 is the last game of the season
  + **Scrip**
    - Cathy O'Brien is leading
  + **Giant Cards**
    - Lisa Armes is leading
    - Go to Atholton’s Music Booster link to find Giant Cards to purchase.

**Director’s Report**

* **Orchestra trip**
  + Cost $775 per person
  + Atholton is the only Howard County high school orchestra to have gone to the event.

**Old Business**

* **Lessons at AHS**
  + They are coming back to Atholton.
  + Booster is to reserve band room every night of the year.
  + Rooms are open when custodians are here.
  + There is to be no money exchange between students and teachers on campus.
* **Booster meeting dates**
  + Moving from the first Tuesday of each month to the second Thursday of each month
* **Identify liaisons for choir and orchestra**

**Open Comment**

* **Accounting details from Michael McDonald**
  + The student account in Charms is not tied into the account in Quick Books, yet.
  + Taxes are due 10-1-17.
  + Mike needs to know how game funds proceeds were, historically, listed in the Music Booster account.
  + $88.500 in Music Booster account, now
    - There are still a few check to deposit.
* The firs marching competition is at 9:00 PM, this Saturday.
* Regular band is larger
* 40% of choir funding was cut
* Acoustic shells: The school will be loaned these from someone in Ocean City.
* Next year, the school may have a guitar instructor.
* The next concert, 10-18-17, will include all but the concert band.
* Ask if your employer will provide a corporate match for each dollar an employee donates.

**Next Booster Meeting Date:** Thursday, 10-12-17/7:00 PM