



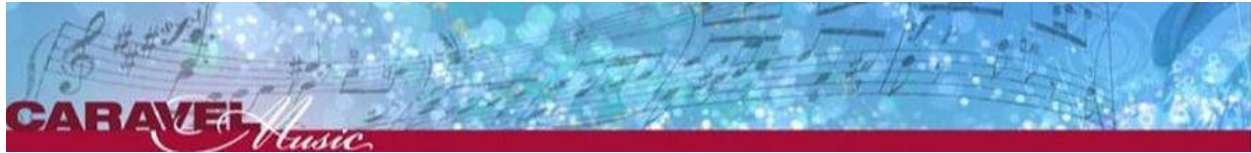
- **Introduction**
  - Tony thanks everyone for their help with the uniform resale.
- **Treasurer's Report**
  - Craig finally was able to get into the accounts to look over everything.
  - He feels we have a good start to the season already.
  - From a marching band perspective, around \$6400 was raised from band camp and donations. There are expenses and a lot of money was already spent. Craig would be happy to go over everything in more detail if anyone wishes. Just reach out to him.
  - Over \$3300 was brought in from the uniform resale!
  - Pretzel resale and kickstarter – not much news there as they just started. Around \$1000 for pretzels and maybe about 10 kickstarter donations.
    1. For pretzel sales, Craig listed \$915 from the jotform with paypal only.
  - There are some outstanding checks that have not been cashed from year end stuff.
    1. Some are from seniors – for the seniors, those went into the picture slots and parents did not realize there would be checks in there. Six checks were in the book and about two were not cashed.
  - Barbara asked about our actual expenses with pretzels, etc. Since Craig has not seen receipts that has not yet been counted for expenses. Barbara is concerned about profits but there are paper forms with checks that he has not counted yet.
  - Barbara asked about marching band – she wanted to know when Craig would be able to pull together a line-by-line expense sheet for the marching band. There was a general discussion about expenses/donations.
  - Barbara has suggested a separate sub-meeting so they can discuss the line items in detail. There was a discussion regarding the apparel sales and the apparel income. There was a deposit made by Barbara but it was broken down, which someone at the library said she would provide.
- **Teacher Updates**
  - **Ms. Boone:**



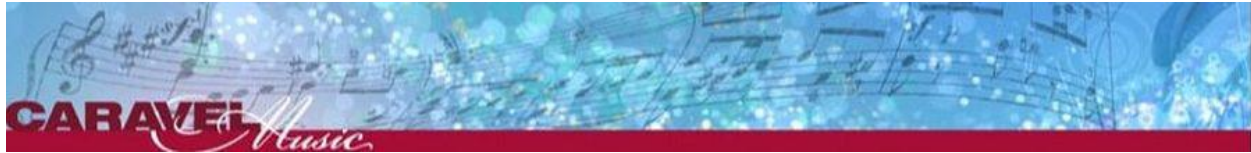
1. Two or three rehearsals already for upper school choirs! So far, so good – interest in choir has been amazing. Women’s choir had six last year and this year, there are sixteen. It is awesome to see the turnout. Men’s ensemble is also fantastic. Voicing is still being figured out for Elite ensemble but sound great. They are hoping to have some outside of school performance opportunities.
  2. EEC – things are going really well. They are learning about steady beats. Concert music will be going out soon.
  3. Body percussion is happening for Middle School General Music.
  4. Glee club starts this week. They will be getting music – great turnout on signups!
- **Mrs. Busovsky:**
    1. Things are going amazing. The theme for the lower school is Mario. The kids have been using the boomwhackers and rhythm sticks and talked about video game music composition.
    2. With choir rehearsals, little bucs started today. Mrs. Evans has been a partner with Mrs. B for this choir. Little Bucs has a big year planned – the Sozo children will be visiting this year! They will also be attending American Young Voices in New Jersey as well as the Delaware Chorale Festival.
    3. Middle School Choir is a large group. Everyone is getting setup in google classroom.
    4. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders got to sing the traditional song on 9/11.
    5. Getting ready for all of the auditions – ACDA Regional Honor Choir in Rhode Island (due next week), All State auditions will be discussed as soon. Those are happening on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at Smyrna MS/HS. There is a new honor choir called Bent, Not Broken. This is an awesome opportunity – but falls during homecoming week so many high school kids won’t be able to perform.
    6. Ukelele club signups are starting. Mrs. B is running this solo and will be in Mrs. Evans’ room.
    7. Orchestra club is also getting starting up. Ms. Gallagher is the faculty advisor this year. Anna Drummonds is our student advisor. Anyone who plays a string instrument in grade school – 12 is welcome. They did win an award at MIP last year!
  - **Ms. Wallace:**



1. Many kids in the EEC are interested in theater and a boot camp may be formed for those kids. Drafts will be written up and hopefully they will get approval. She is hoping to run them in mid-November.
  2. Musical updates are coming later.
- **Mr. Forney:**
    1. Marching Band:
      - a. First home game with marching band and the reaction has been through the roof. People love the show and sing and dance along. UD Band day is coming up this weekend and an away game Friday at Laurel. Laurel has a band so that will be the first band CAMB sees this season.
      - b. Announcements for marching band clinic will be coming soon as it is coming soon – it will be next week! There will be a meeting on Thursday and then they join in on Friday (9/29)
    2. Middle School Music – going well. New things implemented to keep everyone more accountable to practice time. It is part of their grade to be at H period band for the first time ever.
    3. Wind ensemble has started. Today was the first rehearsal.
    4. On Thursday, big band (swing) will be meeting. They are combining (middle school and high school) jazz band for the fall as he does not have an extra H period with marching band. Instrumentalists and singers are welcome.
    5. Beginning band will be starting hopefully after the instrument petting zoo with Tri-M. Beginner band is always more successful when the kids get to try the instruments out beforehand. He is hoping to have signups out by the end of September, hopefully start by mid-October after the petting zoo.
  - **PTC/Boosters Kickstarter Campaign Fundraiser**
    - Mrs. B sent paperwork to Lower School and EEC, emails sent to lower and middle school. Dr. Lamey included the paperwork in his newsletter Friday. It was on Caravel social media. Mrs. Harper will be including it in her newsletter as well.
    - It would be great to have a PTC Parent to help distribute as the boosters have made the forms, collected the money, and purchased the swag.
    - It would also be helpful for the PTC to list this on their page.



- We also want to make sure that everyone knows any amount is great, not just the “suggested” amounts.
- We also need someone to reconcile the checks. Should they go directly to Craig but do we need to reach out to someone else.
- GERALYN has been discussing everything with Lexi (PTC President) and asked to see if someone could handle the merch handout. Items need to be packaged up and sent to appropriate homerooms.
- Stickers should be coming soon.
- About fifteen people have made donations as of this afternoon.
- **Musical**
  - Show dates are May 3 – May 5, 2024
  - The down payment for the show has been received.
  - Theater needs to pay a few more bills (going out Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>) before receiving material and advertising.
  - Ms. Wallace is creating a website and would love to have that be a clickable link from the booster’s website.
  - They have volunteers for crew, stage design, costumes, etc. Meetings will be starting soon.
  - There will be a series of volunteer opportunities for students and adults and will be more clear once production meetings to start. Day of volunteering is the same as previous years (sales, concessions, kiss the cast, etc.).
  - She would like to have auditions the week after Thanksgiving break (that Tuesday afternoon). Ms. Wallace will find an available space and asked about conflicts for a Tuesday afternoon. There is wind ensemble but Mr. Forney will excuse students to go to audition. Mrs. B and Ms. Boone can move their private lessons as well. Ms. Orga also volunteered her room whenever needed.
  - Callbacks will be longer and later on November 28, 2023.
  - Everyone who auditions will receive a role, but callbacks are more for placing everyone in the correct role.
- **Tri-M**
  - Membership renewals are due by the end of the month.
  - The first meeting is virtually this week on Thursday. Hoping to have in person meetings once a month, especially at election time.
  - First meeting - they will be discussing service hours, volunteer opportunities, and common activities. H period and lunch meeting times were hard to get attendance.



- Ms. Boone and Mr. Forney are hoping to have the Instrument Petting Zoo the first week of October.
- Officers have been going above and beyond and they are really moving to be student run and have the faculty be advisors.
- Ms. Boone reviews what Tri-M is for new parents. It is a musical honor society – Middle School is grades 6-8, and senior is for high school students. The members work to help the music department and raise funds, especially at Caroling for Cans. They also run events like the Instrument Petting Zoo. Gets students involved in the music department outside of just being in ensembles. The members go to EEC and Lower School and make/play music with the students.
- Induction happens in late January/early February.
- The new member letter will be out in November so the new members can start participating in events.
- **Trip Planning**
  - Upper School Trip
    1. They know where they are going, they have dates. Information will be sent out. Mr. Forney added it to his course guidelines so everyone knows the dates. An information packet will be created and there will be a parent meeting. It will be April 12 – April 14, 2024.
    2. Middle School
      - a. 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade is April 27, 2024
      - b. 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade is May 11, 2024
      - c. Mrs. B will be meeting with Kim Keane to start reviewing the setup and getting everything in Jotform. We have a new template to have the medical form/permission slip onto jotforms.
    3. American Young Voices Trip – Little Buc parents will need to help as chaperones
    4. Coach buses will need to be booked for all three trips (within the next few weeks) and deposits will need to be paid.
- **Fundraisers**
  - **Clothing Resale:** Another one will be done towards the end of the year. Help will be needed with sorting and organization of donations.
  - **Pretzel Sale Update:** Reviewed earlier
  - **Homecoming Food Truck/Alumni Event:**
    1. GERALYN has a few trucks booked for homecoming. Flavor D'ish (at teacher/resale), Bivouac (wood fired pizza), Sweet Josephines



(cupcakes) are all confirmed. Ka-Pow does not have the staff to help this year.

2. Do we want a third food truck? There are questions about vegetarian options and Geralyn will discuss with Flavor D'ish. Masala Kitchen was not available last year and she will reach out this year to see if they are available. If they are not, she will reach out to Polish Connection.
- **Coffee Truck/Breakfast Sandwiches:** discuss having for this year or next year for the EEC Halloween parade since a lot of parents hang around. Geralyn will look into this.
  - **WAWA Fundraiser:** No updates at this point, Barbara will look into this this week
  - **EEC/Lower School Winter Ball:** This is the revamped Lower School Sock Hop. It was well received but was right after school which had complications (getting the cafeteria access with study hall and after care, finding parent helpers, etc.). This will be a guardian/child dance in the gym/cafeteria on a Saturday, have nice decorations and desserts. Get Tri-M volunteers as well. They would still have sock hop music/lights. This is planned for January 20, 2024. A parent to chair this event would be very helpful. Marissah Temple and Laura Doyle volunteered to help during the meeting.
  - **Cabaret:**
    1. Geralyn is looking for a sub-committee to help with silent auction and donations. Tax donation letters can be provided
    2. We need to have discussions about the food. The pre-ordered food caused some confusion for people who assumed they could order at the event.
    3. Having 6-8 people would be a huge help for this the day off, in addition to Tri-M student helpers. They will need table and chairs setup, as well as table clothes, centerpieces, etc.
  - **Breakfast with Santa:**
    1. A new backdrop will be purchased since Spirit Elsa will be there. It will be a winter theme that can be shared with the EEC/Lower School Winter Ball.
  - **Fundraiser Goals:** They would like to get two digital pianos for the band/chorus classrooms, in addition to all of the other services provided to students. They are looking to discuss expenses/income with Craig. Mr. Forney would also like a new sousaphone but was



declined by Caravel. An application has been sent to the Anthony Penna Foundation to see if they can help donate some or all of the fee.

- **Picture Day Donations last year.** Parents donated to pay Andre's fee for music picture day. It was wonderful and less stress for the teachers and students. It would be great to do that every year.
- Mr. Forney said if the boosters can fundraise half of the money for the larger items (piano, sousaphone) needed, the school can cover the rest. He has that news directly from the administration.
- Ms. Boone did say how there are free pianos available online (not digital) then we would need to fundraise for transportation.
- **New Business**
  - **New Practice Room/ Office Space:** with all of the shifting of staff, the practice room space is available. There was a lot of cleanout this summer but the walls really could use a paint job. There are volunteers to do the painting but they need some items for painting (paint, painters tape, rollers, brushes, etc.) and items to help with lighting in the room. Tony said it should be fine for the boosters to cover the costs.
  - Last year, Anthony Penna sent digital keyboards. New USBC Adapters are needed. It would be \$65 in total. The link will be sent to someone who can do the purchasing (Tony, Craig, Barbara, etc.).
  - Meeting ended at 8:22 and the next meeting is October 17, 2023.