

# DIDSBURY SCHOOLS BAND SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING

October 21st, 2020

Present: Carla Ridley, Lory Svendsen, Lynn Doering, Bill Windsor, Amanda Bowhay, Erin Enns, Jenni Dodman.

Teacher: Kirk Wassmer

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Amanda Bowhay at 7:01 pm

AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Erin Enns. Lynn Doering seconded.

MINUTES: Motion to approve amended minutes from February 12th, 2020 by Lynn Doering. Erin Enns seconded. All voted in favor, motioned carried.

Motion to approve minutes from March 11th, 2020 by Lory Svendsen. Erin Enns seconded. All voted in favor, motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Presented by Carla Ridley

- Reviewed monthly financial reports as of September 30th, 2020.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Presented by Kirk Wassmer as follows

- Mr. Wassmer thanked the Society for all their hard work.
- Mr. Wassmer gave an update in regards to what the year was going to look like. On September 10th, 2020 we were given the approval to start playing music on Sept 14th. Dr. Deena Hinshaw relaxed some of the restrictions on Sept 11th.
- Some changes in the band room consist of students wiping down chairs and stands prior to playing. Sanitizers and wipes are provided. The chairs are set up accordingly to accommodate the 2 meters physical distancing required. Students are using bell covers on all wind instruments, hand made by Lory Svendsen. They play music for no more than 30 minutes using puppy pads for any excess water from their instruments. Classes are split and staggered between brass/percussion and woodwinds.
- For the grade nines it's business as usual. Mr. Wassmer is able to accommodate all the kids and the Jazz band is going good.
- We are incredibly fortunate and very thankful that we are able to play. Other Divisions are not playing at all. We will continue to take this week by week.
- Division has put hold on "No Travel". This may change.
- Concerts - Nov 10th was booked for a concert and that will not be happening. Aiming for the Christmas Concert

- Mr. Wassmer offered many suggestions as to how we may go forward with the Christmas Concert.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Grant Committee- Lynn Doering/Amanda Bowhay
  - Still looking for help, no one is currently looking after.
  - Zion Church has given us money in the past as well as the United Thrift Store.
- Casino Update – Lory Svendsen
  - Been in communications with Gaming. Scheduled for second quarter of next year. Dates are Thursday April 1st and Good Friday the 2nd/2021.
  - Will only need 4 volunteers per shift with two shifts per day over two days. Bill has most shifts covered already.
  - This will be a Cash Casino at the north end of Red Deer off 67th Street.
  - Volunteers can sign up and pick the jobs they want to do. This will be on the DHS website.
- Fundraising -
  - All fundraising goes through Garth in general.
  - Plenty of discussion regarding the Silent Auction and how we were going to go about that. Input and suggestions were given by everyone in attendance.
  - Discussion regarding items for the silent auction. When do we start accepting, what kinds of items will we accept, how will we accept these items and a quarantine time frame.
  - Need to decide on how we will present the items.
  - Moving forward with Purdy's, Centennial Meats and possibly a bottle drive. Need to wait to get the final go ahead from Garth.
  - Lory will get Purdy's set up and find out some dates as far as bonuses etc. She believes the 26th of November is the deadline for that.
  - Purdy's will be due back November 20th and Kirk will check with Tessa Wilson for a due date on Centennial Meats.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Bill Windsor gave his thoughts and ideas on how we could go about having the Christmas Concert and Silent Auction. Input and suggestions were given by everyone in attendance.
- Elections - Mr. Wassmer on behalf of students and the Society thanked Amanda and Lory for their hard work over the years and their time on the Board.
- Amanda is stepping down and moving into past President Position.
- Lynn Doering has let her name stand for the position of President. Show of hands agreed.

- Erin Enns has let her name stand for Vice President Position. Lory is stepping down as her daughter graduated last year. Show of hands agreed.
- Jenni Dodman has agreed to let her name stand for the position of Secretary.
- Carla Ridley has let her name stand for the Position of Treasury.
- Signing authority was discussed and Carla Ridley made a motion to have the following people, Carla Ridley, Lynn Doering and Mr. Wassmer have signing authority at the Mountain View Credit Union in Didsbury.
- Lory Svendsen seconded motion. All were in favor, motion was past.
- Erin Enns made a motion to pay the Treasurer, Carla Ridley \$1,250.00 for her services for the school year 2020 - 2021. Bill Windsor seconded. All were in favor, motion was past.

OPEN FLOOR ITEMS:

- Town of Didsbury Fundraising, Carla dropped off.
- Christmas Concert date will be Sunday December 13th, 2020.

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday November 18th, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.