

**Salinas High Music Association**  
Minutes September 10, 2018

Members present: Kim Eads, Teresa Johnson, Maria Ortega, Cecilia Rotharmel, Claudia Rogel,  
Michelle Smitherman, Elaine Vrolyks, Diane Walker, Ann Wintermantel

Members absent: Araceli Meskus, Juan Moreno

Also present: Marilyn Dorman, Michelle Boulware, Gilberto Oros, Jeffrey Lind, Maria Dominguez,  
Peggy Carroll

Elaine Vrolyks called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM. The meeting was held in the band room. 'The minutes from last meeting were read. Marilyn Dorman said there's word changes in the second paragraph in the third sentence from end: talking about the deficit not "hoped but the deficit get less" should be expected the deficit got less. There were no other corrections or changes. Maria Ortega made motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Michelle Smitherman seconded. All approved.

We had several guests. Introductions were made. Maria Dominguez has son, freshman Mateo, in the band. Gilberto Oros has son, sophomore Gilberto, plays flute in band. Jeff Lind is the new color guard coach. Peggy Carroll teaches music at Washington Middle School.

Micah Cabaccang, band teacher, was not at meeting. Ann Wintermantel read the email report he sent:

“9/11 performance is tomorrow for the Salinas Police Department

first field show is 9/21 at Rabobank stadium (away game)

Homecoming parade is Oct 12; football against Seaside

marching band/color guard meets after lunch (5<sup>th</sup> period) to change and take band pictures

Band stages in street at 2:30 PM

Parade starts when bell rings 2:52 PM

After parade, break at 3:30, change out of uniforms. Students should eat, meet back at SHS and change back into uniforms at 5 PM

JV halftime show 5:30ish whenever half time occurs

JV pep band after the show

Varsity pep band pregame and during game

Varsity half time show

3<sup>rd</sup> quarter break – get 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter off

Pep band continues for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter

Rehearsal following day, Sat Oct 13 from 9 AM – 12 PM”

Ann gave the website report. Guest, Gilberto Oros, will be working on the website. Kathryn Albers had to decline to be website chairperson. Gilberto will do the website. Ann said Music Association will get refund from what we had bought in July because it didn't work out. C-panel hosting and two years SSL costs \$269. Gilberto was asked if he would like to be member of the SHMA Board. He accepted. Ann made motion to make Gilberto Oros a member of SHMA Board. It was seconded by Elaine. All approved. Gilberto volunteered to be chairman of website committee. Michelle Smitherman is still doing parents' email addresses.

Marilyn Dorman gave the Financial Report. We are two months into the fiscal year and there's positive income. Some kids claimed their music scholarships. Scholarships are held for three years after graduation and if not claimed, it falls off and money goes back to general fund. Marilyn has sent emails to all eligible recipients. Marilyn also said that checks should not be made out to Salinas High School but to Salinas High Music Association or SHMA. Banks might not accept checks or the checks could

be credited to the wrong organization.

Maria Ortega asked about kids' names to start spreadsheets for kids' fund raise accounts. Marilyn said that she does not know what each student earns or has earned. At the end of year, she gets report on how much total money each group earned. She does not deal with individual accounts. Kathy Genasci did student accounts.

Michelle Boulware, choir teacher, gave the choir report. The barbershop quartet has a choir fundraising to do birthday singing-grams and even deliver candy with song package for \$5. They'll do it for kids on campus and can do it off campus for extra charge. On October 5, the A Capella Choir sings the National Anthem for the roller derby. There's eight kids signed up to audition for Honors Choir and if they make it, they have opportunity to try for the All-state Honors Choir. There's estimate of cost \$6,000 -\$10,000 for choir dresses. Michelle is trying to get funding so choir can have 100 dresses for the girls to borrow. Boys get to borrow tuxedos. There's no problem signing them out; problem is getting them all back and in good shape. Michelle said they're starting a coin fund raiser – any spare change goes into jars, no paper money. It's done as contest with other classes so at end of year, winning class gets party. Michelle said choir trips should be for every choir student. And every student should be able to go on trips. Individual student accounts can't stay, we must think of way to do fundraising for the entire group. All fundraising go to everybody instead of for individual students so the poor kids can go on trips and not have to stay behind.

Maria said she knows some people that wants to donate money and if we can get in there maybe we get some.

Peggy Carroll said the rules have changed – state law and ACLU says no child should be deny any access to any activity – it's all or nothing, all go or no one goes.

Big discussion on fundraising individual accounts versus group accounts. Marilyn gave history of Music Association individual versus group fundraising. Michelle B said perhaps just have each group like chorale, A Capella, band or jazz fund raise for their own group. More discussions. Perhaps this year, we should have fundraising go half to the groups and half to individual student accounts and figure out how and what to do for next year. Peggy said as the saying goes, don't shoot yourself in the foot, talk carefully among ourselves before making big decisions. Michelle S said we need to think about it and how we want to do it. More Discussion

Maria made motion to do fundraising for all group accounts to start this year. Michelle S seconded. It was approved. Now someone need to tell students and parents that fundraising is for the groups and not for individual students. Who will do it?

Jeff Lind, color guard coach, gave report. There are 14 color guards. They are thinking of doing competitive winter season. Jeff plans field trips with parent drivers. He also coaches color guard at Live Oak High School and can borrow some of their equipment that they're not using. He wants to try fundraising at football games. Color guards go into the stands and sell pompoms or glow in the dark somethings. He was told to talk to ASB, Mark Dover.

Cecilia Rotharmel gave the Scrip report. She has not gotten the names from Karen Mitchell. Teresa Johnson is getting emails about new families signing up. Shipping of the plastic cards cost a lot: \$18 for two day shipping and \$8 for regular snail mail which won't work for Sunday orders to arrive for Wednesday delivery. Electronic cards do not require shipping nor fees.

Elaine gave the caramel apple fund raiser report. She was in class rooms today, September 10, telling kids about it and it starts today. Money and orders are due Friday, September 21. Elaine needs volunteers to be there in morning periods to collect money and count money. The check is due to DeBrito on September 26. There's no date for apple pick up/delivery but it's in October. When Elaine gets date, she will need volunteers for pickups and sorting apples.

Teresa gave the Airshow fundraising report. Araceli Meskus is doing okay and her cast is off. Airshow is September 29 and 30. 2018 with the Thunderbirds. We are doing both days. They have made rules stricter: only 20 kids and four adults with them at a time. Teresa will go into classrooms on September 19 to sign up kids. There is another Airshow in March with Blue Angels and we will also do that one.

Marilyn and Peggy gave the Washington Middle School music report. Peggy does not think that there needs a WMS committee to have input on the money. Peggy said in the SHMA bylaws, article IX, section 5 we can add an addendum to transfer funds; transfer more money than will need to pay scholarships. The sentence that says "Washington Middle School Music Program funds. The funds of WMSMP will be managed by SHMA" more wording need to be added. Bylaws does not need to be voted on until it's more finalized.

Cecilia gave the choir fundraising report. The Tupperware sale was very successful and got profit of over \$700 and a \$9 donation. It is not going through ASB so Marilyn will get a check from Tupperware dealer. This Friday, September 14, is the Myo frozen yogurt fundraiser. No coupon is necessary, just mention SHS choir. Next Wednesday, September 19, is the Pizza Factory fundraiser and that one needs to turn in the flier.

Elaine said the choir tuxedos need to be taken to dry cleaners. It'll cost about \$200 and come out of choir budget for uniforms.

Michelle S asked about money for party for kids that sell the most on fundraiser. Marilyn said the money would come out of the profits of the fundraiser.

The next meeting is October 8, 2018. There is no school so school buildings are closed. Elaine volunteered to have meeting at her house, [REDACTED] **Contact us for location**

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,