

2021_1_11 FORESMA Board Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Katie Kahle, Kirsten Blair, Aleka Brown, Jessi Detert, Brooke Doyle, John Aguilar, Chris Mena, Claire Jenkins

Meeting conducted via Zoom due to pandemic restrictions.

From the Co-Presidents (Aleka and Brooke):

- * Community engagement ideas
- Trivia night - still like idea , on hold for now
- Chipotle Dine Out - 13 January, need to Id as Foresma, we get 30% sales, Nerissa is coordinating.
- MOD 2/11 (Thursday) Dine out also planned
- * Woodland Park Players grant for SPS schools for \$500-\$1000 for next school year, due this week
- Chris Mena – interested in getting assembly with clinic with Ben Hunter, local musician who studies/performs protest music
- * Open House – Jan 21. Live Teams event. Preliminary planning. Hosting performances for families to see. Looking into old recordings vs. snippets from this year.
- * building relationships with feeder schools. Mr. Aguilar would like to have a list of teachers of incoming music students so that can reach out to them, coordinate
- * will add to FORESMA page section for incoming 6th graders
- * Build for the Future 2021 – timing of fund drive, discussed 2 weeks prior to Spring Break will begin campaign (3/29-4/9), but decided 2 weeks after might be better – will know more re: possibility of returning, co-pres will check with school /PTSA leadership on this

From the Directors (John and Chris):

John Aguilar (Band) -

Black History Month project featuring Kevin Ross update for Lift Up Voice and Sing for Black History Month, Jan 6 had rehearsal, recordings in by 3rd or 4th week January, workshop 24 Feb as well

- rehearsal went well, really struck by him as a black musician talking about this black anthem as a song for all Americans, rise above our past, vision of us all working together (with this meeting right before insurrection at Capitol, reminder of how important music education)

- UW women's grant not happening, Gezons had success with \$3,000 grant – will go for Kevin Ross collaborative project

* Music t-shirts – distribution next week Wed 11-1/Thurs 4-6 (library time)

Chris Mena (orchestra and guitar) –

Fiddler and Chamber Group has formed, doing more advanced music

Focused on maintaining relationships

Report from Treasures (Katie)

- reviewed updates to current budget status
- working toward closing out Alliance for Education accounts
- budget remarkably balanced right now, income = expenses essentially
- some recent generous donations in last 2 weeks, very appreciated

Communications: (Jessi)

- Update on Black History Month project featuring Kevin Ross
- Q&A with Emmy as professional musician
- Info on upcoming open house, MOD pizza, t -shirts

Next Month's meeting: Tuesday 9 Feb 2020 at 7 pm, via zoom