

We are encouraged by the turnout at the THUMB meeting last evening. We had many parents interested in helping throughout the year — in fact, we already have three parents signed up to help lead the phone-a-thon. One signed up to help lead Valentines dinner and another who gave her name to help organize an event.

Several discussions I had with parents near the end of the evening were also encouraging — lots of community outreach ideas, ways to get other parents involved, etc.

I loved the student performers, and think that added a nice touch to the evening — a reminder to us all of the talent of the students.

I wish I would have thought of this yesterday, but we should have had everyone sign in to the meeting, so we could track who was there! We will from now on.

Thank you, Lisa, for taking care of the refreshments last evening — and for helping pull together the volunteer sign up sheet.

Suzy, we put out the call for help with database management — no definite takers, but I did speak with a parent who was asking about the database — so, he may be a potential . . .

Going forward, it would be great to get a sign-up genius set up for all lead volunteer positions, which can also include any of the upcoming dates we may need folks to help out with.

Spiro — your history of the music department here at Tam was great! I had no idea that we had some really great music directors in the past, AND I didn't realize that Tan High has the most robust program of all in the district. This is definitely something we can use to our advantage, especially with our community outreach efforts (not saying in our outreach 'we're the best and most robust' directly, but emphasizing all that the music department offers!)

We definitely need to tap into our community of music families to make the most of this program — using all their energy, talents and connections!

Shall we get a newsletter up and running now that we have the music family list? We can talk about upcoming events, reminder about THUMB membership, sign up to volunteer, photos from last night's meeting (the student performers) etc. etc.

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