

# Francis Howell North High School

Band Boosters Association, Inc.

## General Meeting Minutes

February 28, 2017

### Call to Order

Kelly Bogda, President

Kelly called the meeting to order shortly after 7pm.

### Approval of the Minutes

Lorie Busby, Secretary

Lorie asked everyone to look over the minutes from January, there were no objections. A motion was made to accept the minutes made by Tracy Hansen, and seconded by Jay Witte. The motion passed.

### Treasurer's Report

Carolyn Witte, Treasurer

Carolyn presented the budget and reviewed several of the line items. She noted that Trivia Night hit the budgeted goal, and went over by 159.61 which will be shared by Symphonic Band and Winter Guard. There was a motion to accept the budget made by Tony Bradbury, and seconded by Debbie Winkle. The motion passed.

### Vice President's Report

Susan Denno, Vice President

Susan advised that emails would be going out soon, you may use the Charms program to go into your account to check your balance on your own as well.

### Directors' Report

Rob Stegeman

Mr. Stegeman talked about the upcoming events: Solo and Ensemble, State Symphonic, Brass and Woodwinds.

He is working on the 2017-2018 calendar. He will share the google doc once it's built. It will be a working calendar and he will continue to update it for now. When it is more firmed up it can be printed and saved.

The date for Music in Motion will be October 21, 2017. Three groups have already signed up to participate in this competition which will be a fundraiser for us.

For graduation this year, he'd like the band to be able to play at the ceremony. He'd like them to play Pomp and Circumstance and the recessional on the way out. He will get more information about the FHSD Baccalaureate ceremony as well.

He'd like to add a Facebook Jazz page. He hopes that Jazz band can earn some money this summer at various events such as auctioning them off to play at parties and events.

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There will be some new events coming: Dallas Brass will be May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Doug McKay is working on getting more details on that. Rob is trying to schedule a Solo and Ensemble Concert, and a Percussion, Woodwind, and Brass Concert, too. The FHN Musical will be Grease. Some band students will be participating by playing in a rock combo during the play.

He has a confirmed host for the marching band overnight trip, Willard High School. More details about that will come later. The band may be able to practice at the MSU Stadium. He expects that the band will be growing in size this year. He estimates that there will be about 76 returning students, and expects over 50 incoming freshman. He expects that we will have over 100 students. He also expects increases in both Concert Band and Symphonic Band, and that Jazz Band numbers will stay consistent. He has been having discussions with the upcoming marching band staff and they are excited to be on board. We have several students participating in Winter Drumline at FHHS and they are doing great. Also, WinterGuard has been "killer".

### Committee Reports:

#### **Symphonic and Concert Band**

**Open**

Snack bags are being made for Solo and Ensemble. Donations are requested for this. Letters of encouragement can be written to students to be added to the goody bags.

#### **Jazz Band**

**Guy Argent**

Guy reported that the Howell District Jazz night included all 3 FHHS Jazz bands and was held at FHC. Our band did a great job, and was even given a standing ovation.

Friday, May 5 will be the date for the Jazz Dinner. We are seeking corporate donations, we need to start asking now. If you know of any potential corporate sponsors, please ask a.s.a.p. All are welcome, your student does not need to be in Jazz band Mr. Stegeman added "You are going to want to be at this event!" It will be held in the FHN commons. Tickets will be around \$10, proceeds will go to sponsor the middle and high school students to attend local summer band camps.

#### **Guard**

**Mindy Chaney**

Mindy reported that the group had traveled to Omaha to compete and they did well there. March 11 will be Art in Motion, guard performance time will be 7:43pm. The week after that they will compete in Kentucky.

Kelly added that we will need "all hands on deck" for Art in Motion, and that part of our budget (we've already budgeted 4K) depends on this event. There is a Sign up genius,

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an email will be sent. We have almost 50 guards coming. Lynette will need help with concessions, band students will also be asked to sign up, NHS kids are also being given an opportunity to volunteer. Two Kohl's stores will have volunteers attending. We will get their help and Kohl's will also donate money to our band. Jacob Lintner will also be live streaming the event.

### Pit/Visual/Maintenance

Jay Witte, Chris Weaver

Jay said that he had a "truck in sight" and should know, hopefully, by the coming Saturday. It still will need the wrap, and we will need corporate sponsors for that. He thinks that it'll be about \$7500 for the 3 vehicles.

### Social/Publicity/ Historian

Donna Alvarez

No report (Banquet coming up!)

### Forms/Band Camp

Misty Bradbury

No report

### Uniforms

Debbie Winkle

Debbie reported that uniforms are at the cleaners.

### Middle School Communication

Amy Prinster

Amy said that John is planning a middle school color guard night. We will have middle schoolers come for Ice Breaker on April 22. New this year we will have a "commitment night" (May 2), all kids for next year will be invited, measured, asked to turn in forms, etc. Also, for next year, there are plans for a mentor program, where a new family will be paired with an existing family to answer questions, etc.

### Senior Committee

Lynette and Craig Hoffman

Lynette says that scholarship paperwork is due by March 15. At least 2 will be offered. Don't need to be going into music or currently be in a music class to qualify. However, all FFCs must be paid up. For the band banquet the senior kids will make a video.

### Event Support

Judi Rhomberg, Emily Weaver, Wendy Sood

No report

### Fundraising

Emily Weaver

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H and R Block referral program has already made \$120! It will continue through April 30. Please see Emily with any questions about that. There will be a Pizza fundraiser.

### Family Arena

Scott Kolath

There are 2 March events. March 17 will be the Women's Frozen NCAA Ice Hockey, and there will be Circus events. Scott will modify the sign up process so that it's not always first come, first serve. It'll be more like a lottery, with a 48 hour turn around. Everyone will have a chance within that next month.

### Logos

Kristi Gordon

No report

### Scrip

Mindy Chaney

Mindy reminded the group that scrip days are the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month. The next date will be March 7, and even though the March band meeting is changing, she will still be doing it on the 3<sup>rd</sup> week, at McClay Library. She reported that there are 2 new 8<sup>th</sup> grade families ordering scrip now.

### **New Business:**

Kelly announced that the budget meeting would be on March 15 at FHN at 7pm. Outgoing and Incoming Chairs should attend. Others may attend as well. Kelly and Rob will meet and come up with a preliminary budget.

The uniforms for next season were discussed. We don't have enough for a much larger band. We may need to have front ensemble in a different uniform, and maybe even the drumline in a different uniform than the rest of the group. Rob said that he would prefer not to replenish this particular uniform. Decisions will need to be made about uniforms.

The ballots were distributed at the end of the meeting, votes were collected and counted. All nominees were elected unanimously. Thanks were given to the nominating committee.

### **Old Business:**

### **Adjournment:**

A motion was made to adjourn by Dan Moore and seconded by Karen Crow. The next meeting will be held on March 28, 2017.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lorie Busby.