

Francis Howell North High School

Band Boosters Association, Inc.

General Meeting Minutes

October 23, 2018

Call to Order

Emily Weaver, President

Emily called the meeting to order just after 7pm.

Thanks:

-Karen Basford- Great job on Music in Motion! Thank you to all parent volunteers.

-Rachel Anderson- Great Middle School Night! We had a great turn out of future Knightpride students. Thank you to all parent volunteers.

-Vicky Balleydier-THANK YOU for continuing to cover the Sno Cone both this season!

-Stacey Sickendick- Great job planning 2 overnight trips! Thank you to our parent chaperones who stayed each night with our students.

-Freshman parents- Thank you to our new parents who have jumped right in and helped volunteer in all areas this marching band season.

Approval of the Minutes

Char Helmick, Secretary

Char noted a few copies of the September minutes were available for review. She noted there were no changes made to the version that was previously emailed and posted on the website. There was a motion to accept them made by Karen Basford and seconded by Cynthia Brewer. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Wayne Prinster, Treasurer

Wayne presented the budget and reviewed several of the line items with current activity. Most activity was around our marching band season line items including: transportation/maintenance, front ensemble, overnight trip, event support and staff payments. Other activity: insurance was paid, electronics for marching and jazz band and winter guard fees paid. There was a motion to accept them made by Chris Kottmann and seconded by Chip Crow. The motion passed.

Vice President's Report

Rex Anderson, Vice President

Rex gave updated report on FFC. 74 students have a paid in full account. Several owe a very small portion of the fee. Rex encouraged all with a remaining balance to complete their payment in full. If you have financial difficulties, reach out to the board for scholarship opportunities. He also reminded that the district winter activity fee is now due.

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Directors' Report

Rob Stegeman

- Metro 8- next Monday 10/29/18. Packets were sent home with students on the day of the board meeting. The district covers the fees. The room # is not in the packet, it will be given to students later. The location is SLU High School. This is required for Honor credit wind ensemble. There are a few students unable to attend and they will perform their music with Mr Stegeman.
- Grades are posted.
- BOA this Friday. Rough itinerary has been posted. Students will attend 3 classes and in 4th period come to the band room to begin warm ups. Lunch will be served at 2pm prior to departure. Students will need money for dinner in the Dome. BOA process was reviewed. Saturday is not required, but students can enter free for finals. Drum Majors will attend the Prelim awards ceremony.
- MIM- went very well. We handled the volume well. Parkway North left early by personal choice. There was nothing wrong. Rolla was very happy and loved the personal medals for each member. We still owe Bronze medals to FZE. Next year we will continue medals and increase Prelim awards. There was good feedback on clinics. Next year we need to add a Chairperson for Sponsorships year around. (ie Palen Music, Kohls, etc). Post meeting will be soon to gather pros/cons of the event this year.
- Marching band season thoughts- happy overall. Next year we will look for a new drill writer. Students have pushed through. Mr Stegeman is very proud of this group and how they have handled the season.
- **Decisions are for the kids.** Seems like we have had more parent push-back this year. We have to be better at recruiting additional parents. Some of the stress is related to everyone feeling like they can't do 1 more thing. Each one needs to remember that we are all doing the best that we can do. We have to keep the climate in a good space. We've had some quit due to the scrutiny they have experienced- we can't have this happening. We currently have a strong board with 3 positions coming open next school year. We must have a good climate moving forward as we fill those critical postions.
- November will be the Veterans event open to the public. Similar to last year. We will have a mixer for the veterans to mingle at, then an assembly with the student body.
- Jazz band performing at Breeze Park on Nov 19th. There will be a Jazz band clinic on Friday Nov 16th with a "gig" planned for Saturday the 17th.
- Winter concert is coming
- Winter Extra curricular activities- google document coming
 - Basketball band- Tuesday/ Thursday
 - Winter Drumline- will compete in small circuit. Currently 17 students, would like to get to 25. This will be a start up group. Anticipate approx. \$400
 - Winter Guard- not too late- auditions coming soon Nov 1-2

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- Woodwind choir- leader TBD
- Brass choir- will be led by Mr Banks
- Percussion Ensemble- will be led by Mr Stegeman in class time and TBD
- Musical- Adams Family- Opportunity for a small group to participate
- Recruitment will begin soon. Mr Stegeman can no longer take time away from the classroom for this. We will have to pay to cover a substitute teacher while he is out recruiting.

Committee Reports:

Guard

Jim Karase

Show reveal was prior to meeting, "Flying Free". Winter Guard try outs- Nov 1 @ FHN, Nov 2 @ Becky David Elementary, there will be Middle School, JV and Varsity squads. Nov 6th practice begins. Dec 1- Breakfast with Santa, Dec 7- Parents Night Out- babysitting event. There was a parents meeting 10/24 in the band room. Garage sale with all sales to benefit WG hosted by Nicole Heine in Tall Bridge subdivision. Jan 19th Premier Competition. This event will be smaller than AIM- currently 13 schools registered. This will be a practice round for AIM. Volunteers and donation info to come.

Pit/Visual/Maintenance

Chip Crow

Chip noted that trucks will be loaded at 2pm for BOA Friday. They have to be in the lot at BOA by 4:30pm. Help needed for loading during the day and at the event.

Uniforms

Kate Statzer

Kate noted uniforms have been washed for BOA. She thanked those that have helped her wash and prepare uniforms for this event and through the season.

Event Support

Christie Kolath

Feeding the band @ 2pm a soup lunch prior to departing for BOA. They will have a build a bag snack to take with them and dessert when they return to school. While in Bentonville, we donated our leftovers to the emergency staff at the event and the local firehouse and police station. They were very thankful for our donation. A new cooler was purchased for future use. Cane's chicken was served for the FZN competition. We will be hosting a fundraiser with them on Wednesday, November 21. This will be an all-day event 10am-10pm. We will receive 15% of sales associated with our band name. More details to come.

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FFC Fundraising

Vicky Balleydier

Sno cones are done for this year. We will be close to budget but anticipate being just short. This is due to 1 less home football game (only 4 this year) and the final game being very cold with very low attendance. TJ Pizza sales starting tonight. Pick will be Nov 27th. There are fliers to be taken at the meeting or additional fliers will be left in the band room. Rachel Anderson is leading the Cardinal Calendar sales. Those also start tonight and are due back on Nov 9th. Pick up for these will be early December, in time for gift giving.

Scrip

Matt Temper

Best Western cards were an issue in Blue Springs. These issues have been resolved with all individuals. Scrip will be changing moving forward. Details will be rolled out at our next meeting. We will be moving to a new program that is more flexible and will allow for online ordering. More details to come.

Music in Motion

Karen Basford

This was a record breaker day! We had our largest event with the largest number of bands and longest day. A few extra expenses including: renting lights for evening warm ups, extra Port-a-Potty supplies, purchased recorders and medals for all band members in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place bands. We will be looking at Sponsorship opportunities in the future. It takes a village! THANK YOU to all who helped that day. Unsung hero-Wayne Prinster- for all the tabulations done. Concessions were busy all day and sold out of food! 3 bands used meal coupons to feed band members. Thank you to the funnel cake team for tolerating the weather to get the job done! A post meeting will be planned soon to evaluate lessons learned. All will be welcome to attend this meeting. Date to be announced. There are additional programs in the band room for any family that didn't get one at the event.

Art in Motion

Kirsten LaBarge

Details were covered during Guard report and prior to meeting in Executive Meeting. Event will be February 16th- schools have until middle of November to register. Anticipate a smaller registration this year due to multiple events the same weekend. There are 2 general circuits and the national circuit has a competition the same weekend. There are currently 32 signed up. Kirsten is looking for a non-guard parent to co-chair this event with her. Ideally, they would like to get a guard parent and non-guard parent to co-chair this event with 2 year terms that stagger in replacement. If you are a non-guard parent interested in co-chairing the event, see Kirsten or John Miller.

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Important Dates:

- October 26-27th BOA
- October 29th- STL Metro8 Auditions @ SLUH 5:30-9:00pm
- STLMetro8 Rehearsals @ Principia HS- 11/6 & 11/15> 6:30-9pm, 11/17> 8:30a-12p
- November 9th- Veteran's Day Assembly 1pm
- November 18th- STLMetro8 Performances @ Principia HS 1-4pm
- November 19th- Jazz @ Breeze Park 6:30pm
- November 20th- Jazz Concert FHN Auditorium 7pm
- December 1st- All State Auditions in Columbia, MO
- December 6th- Winter Concert FHN Auditorium 7pm

New Business:

- November 5th- Winter Rehearsal Schedule Begins

WW Choir: Mon 2:30-4:30p//Brass Choir: TBD//Perc: Weds TBD//WP:TBD//

Bball:T/R 2:30-4:30p

- Save the Date! Trivia Night 1/12/19
- Save the Date! Winter Guard Art in Motion 2/16/19

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm with a motion made by Christie Kolath and seconded by Karen Crow.

The next meeting will be held on November 27th at 7pm in the band room

****note 11/27 is the 4th Tuesday of the Month****

Minutes respectfully submitted by Char Helmick.