

# Francis Howell North High School

Band Boosters Association, Inc.

## General Meeting Minutes

**May 19 , 2020**

**Note that there was no March or April meeting in 2020 due to Quarantine**

### Call to Order

**Kate Statzer, President**

Kate called the virtual meeting to order just after 7pm.

### Approval of the Minutes

**Colleen Chroma, Secretary**

Colleen noted there were no changes made to the version of the February minutes that were emailed. There was a motion to accept them made by Cathie Landwehr and seconded by Rachel Anderson. The motion passed.

### Treasurer's Report

**James Scott, Treasurer**

Jamie presented the treasurer's report and reviewed several of the line items with current activity including charges for gator insurance and senior frames. He also noted the profit from Art in Motion although we are still expecting \$2000 in bills. \$5977 was transferred to Winter Guard. There was a motion to accept the report made by Cathie Landwehr and seconded by Rachel Anderson. The motion passed.

### Vice President's Report

**Anita Karase, Vice President**

Kate first thanked Rex Anderson for his service as Band Vice President and introduced Anita who is beginning her term as Vice President. Anita thanked the senior parents who generously transferred their FCC balances to the scholarship fun. She shared that May statements will be out this week. She also added that the \$100 deposit to your FCC account will be due on Commitment Night on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Directors' Report

**Rob Stegeman**

Mr. Stegeman shared that we are wrapping up the quarter and grades will be turned in on Friday. Be sure that all students check to see that everything is turned in. If something is not showing in the gradebook, please let him know. As long as a student completes 75% of the work, they will receive the grade they earned in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter unless they did better in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

Be sure that all students have completed the questionnaire.

Kids will not be using Facebook anymore. The "Band" app will be used instead. Students will need to sign up for each group they are part of: Marching, Winds, Jazz, etc.

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The calendar has been updated on the website. If you want to see it in list format rather than calendar format, look for it on Facebook Update #6.

This Friday and next Tuesday will be Check In- Check Out for all students. Use the schedule that was sent out by Dr. Hostetler. All music will be turned in to baskets in the band hallway. Students will also turn in and check out instruments.

Mr. Stegeman talked about the activities that happened prior to quarantine including the O'Fallon and State Large Ensemble contests, Solo & Ensemble and Winter Guard.

Mr. Stegeman shared that 5/28 will be a Senior Drive Thru parade.

We will be having Commitment Night on June 3. This is mandatory. We need to be sure that new families know.

Band Banquet will be in Mid-June (no official date yet) and it will be done in a virtual format.

Graduation will be on July 11. We might be able to have a small band of non-seniors but we are not sure yet.

Warm-Up and Show music will be coming out to kids soon.

Our number right now is 123. This might change a bit, but for now, the numbers look great!

Staff for the fall is set. Show design is beginning even with our numbers not set.

We are going to be using aluminum for the jail cell bars. We will be needing welding help with this.

We are missing a vibraphone. Please let Mr. Stegeman know if you are aware of where it is.

There are questions about band for next year. We are just going to move forward in a flexible way.

There are some conflicts with the schedule right now and Mr. Stegeman is working through those. AP Theory and Physics are a conflict. B/C Calc and Wind Ensemble are also a conflict right now. Jazz Bands will be moving to the end of the day.

Exciting news is that either Mr. Stegeman or Ms. Nogle will be able to be at the middle school 4 days a week.

### Committee Reports:

Trivia Night

Christie Kolath

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The Pezold Center said that we could not have our Trivia Night in June due to current restrictions. It will be cancelled instead of rescheduled because there is no good time to hold it during the fall. For those who have tables reserved, the money will be put into your student's FFC account. For senior parents, you can get a refund or donate the money to the band.

### Fundraising

Rachel Anderson

Rachel shared that there are Facebook posts that share how to raise money for your FFC account using Scrip and Benefit Mobile. Contact Rachel or Sherri Brown for more information.

TJ's Pizza and Giving Bean flyers are ready, but we are waiting for the best time to safely run those fundraisers. Maybe in mid-July.

Remember to use Amazon Smile to raise money for the band.

Savers Drive will be coming. Hold on to your donations. We are planning to collect in early July.

Looking to the fall, we will need help with the snow cone booth and of course Music in Motion and Art in Motion, which are our biggest fundraisers.

### **Important Dates:**

- Commitment Night is June 3 at 7 pm
- If you have an outstanding balance, you need to get that taken care of before Commitment Night. You can mail a check (postmarked by June 5) or use Charms to pay via Pay Pal. Let Jamie or Anita know if you are having any trouble paying your balance.
- Uniform Fitting- Parents will measure their own student using video instructions from Debbie Winkle.
- Forms- Some kids will come home with their forms packet from Drop Off- Pick Up or they will be online on the website for you to print. All forms are due at your student's first practice in July (this will be a different date depending on if your student is a wind, percussion or guard member).

### **Continuing Business and New Business:**

- FHNBB 2020/2021 Chairperson Vacancies (Sponsorships & Seniors)
- Uniforms- Debbie will need help with sewing, washing, checking in/out uniforms, etc. If you can help with one of these areas (or more), please let Debbie or Kate know.

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- The 2020-2021 Budget was presented for final approval. Jamie presented the budget by sharing his screen with everyone. Kate, Mr. Stegeman, and some of the staff worked on the budget for this year, keeping it the same as the budget from 2019-2020. The budget is based on 115 students. The cost for each student will be \$610 for the season which will be divided up into 4 payments (\$100 Commitment and 3 equal payments of \$170 due on 7/1, 8/1 and 9/1). This is the first increase in cost since our “Jump” season. If any activities in the season change because of COVID-19, we may change the final payment. There was a motion to accept the 2020-2021 budget made by Rex Anderson and seconded by Stefanie Fairless. The motion carried with an “I” verbal vote from those in attendance.
- FHSD Background Check- [www.fhsdschools.org](http://www.fhsdschools.org) Background Check Information was supposed to change for the 2020-2021 School Year. Everyone will need to be finger-printed. But we are not sure if the requirement will be changed this year or not.
- Remind (Text Alerts): text @fhnbb to 81010  
Remind will be used during Marching Band season for text updates.
- Sheila Murray asked if jackets were included in the budget. They are not because that would greatly increase the cost of our band fees. We will keep this as an optional purchase for families.

### **Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned with a motion made by Rex Anderson and seconded by Erica O’Connor.

The next general meeting will be held on June 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in a Virtual Format

Minutes respectfully submitted by Colleen Chruma.