

# Francis Howell North High School

Band Boosters Association, Inc.

## General Meeting Minutes- Virtual

October 20, 2020

### Call to Order

Kate Statzer, President

Kate called the virtual meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

### Approval of the Minutes

Colleen Chroma

Colleen noted there were no changes made to the version of the September minutes that were emailed. There was a motion to accept the minutes made by Stefanie Fairless and seconded by Kimberly Kilen. The motion passed.

### Treasurer's Report

James Scott, Treasurer

Jamie Scott gave the financial report and read through the budget items, including a payment for Income Tax Preparation and Senior Committee expenses. There was a motion to accept the treasurer's report made by Ed Cuneo and seconded by Leslie Scott. The motion passed.

### Vice President's Report

Anita Karase, Vice President

Anita shared that we still have a few families that need to complete their marching band payments. She will be arranging a payment plan with those folks. Once again, if you need any help paying off your FFC, please let Anita or another member of the board know. There will be a \$75 commitment night fee for Winter Guard this Thursday, 10/22. We are not sure on the exact fee structure for Winter Guard because expenses are still being determined. Anita encouraged everyone to take advantage of all fundraising activities for your FFC account including Benefit Mobile and Scrip.

### Directors' Report

Rob Stegeman

Mr. Stegeman said there is not much to say about the marching season other than Thank You. Everyone did a great job making sure we could make the most of the season and he is very grateful for it. Moving on to concert season, he is committed to having a concert. It will be December 10 in the large gym. The time frame will most likely be 4:30-9 pm. Some after school rehearsals will be needed because the Wind Ensemble meets in a split rehearsal situation. This Thursday and Friday, Wind Ensemble will rehearse in the large gym; 11/4 and 11/6 they will record in the commons for the Veteran's Day performance. There is a QR code available for Basketball band sign up. He is using an alternate system for filling the band. All kids are guaranteed 2 games, but kids will rotate in and out. It will be a much smaller group than normal. Deadline to sign up is Friday. There will be Tuesday and Thursday after school rehearsals. We need to begin recruiting for next year. We have about 30 kids who are currently virtual, so that has cut down on enrollments. Kristi Gordon & Carly are working on a recruitment video. The Veteran's assembly will be a video format. Metro 8 Honor Band will happen sometime in January. It will be virtual auditions and a paper band. Packets will be going out to the kids soon. The same thing will happen for Metro Jazz auditions. Woodwind Choir and Brass Choir already exist because Wind Ensemble is already split into these ensembles. These groups will mainly be rehearsing during the school day.

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### Committee Reports:

#### **Music in Motion**

**Stefanie Fairless**

Stefanie extended a thank you for all the volunteers that helped that day. For new parents, know that in the future, this is typically a much more involved day with “all hands on deck”. We will have Music in Motion next year but it will be held at a different school. We will need to pay rent, but we will build that into our budget. The group photo that was taken at MIM will be available for purchase. Tom (our photographer) will have a link available for us.

#### **Fundraising**

**Rachel Anderson**

Our October Freddy’s Dine Out night earned \$58.50. We will have another Freddy’s night on December 10. Mod Pizza Dine Out night is coming up on 11/12. FFC fundraisers will be available. We will be selling Cardinals Calendars (\$16 for each calendar and you earn \$7). Hard copies of this fund raiser are available in the band room, but digital copies will be sent in an email. Giving Bean Coffee will also be sold with digital information coming via email soon. Please remember that Benefit Mobile is an easy way to add to your FFC. Rachel is looking into a candle sale, too.

#### **Colorguard**

**Sheila Murray**

21 kids showed up for Winter Guard auditions tonight. The list will go out tomorrow. All competitions will be virtual this year. We will be doing a regular full-length show. Parents will have an opportunity to see kids perform, but not while recordings are being done for the competitions. Practice will start this Thursday and will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-9:00 and Saturdays from 8:00-1:00. There will be no practice on 11/3. A Parent meeting will happen, but not until later. Sheila will send out information in a couple of weeks. Middle School Guard will start on 11/17. Thanks to Kristi Gordon and Kimberly Kilen for getting the Middle school Recruitment flyer out on Peach Jar to the Middle School kids.

#### **Uniforms**

**Debbie Winkle**

Thanks to Kate Statzer and Colleen Chruma for helping with uniforms. They are being washed.

#### **Middle School & Mentors**

**Kristi Gordon**

Middle School Guard flyer went out via Peach Jar. Band flyer will also go out. Carly is also working on a recruitment video.

#### **Seniors**

**Rex Anderson**

Senior stuff has pretty well wrapped up. Thank you to all of the Senior parents who stepped up to help.

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### Continuing Business and New Business:

- Basketball Band schedule will be going out soon
- Board & Chairperson Recruitment will begin in December with several positions open.

- **Upcoming Dates:**

- Guard tryouts 10/20/20 at 5:30
- Guard commitment night 10/22/20
- Fall Break 10/26 - 11-3
- Basketball band starts 11/5/20
- Virtual Veteran's Day assembly 11/11/20
- All 4 Bands concert 12/10/20
- FHSD Background Check- [www.fhsdschools.org](http://www.fhsdschools.org)
- Remind (Text Alerts): text @fhnbb to 81010 - will be used for text updates.

### Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned with a motion made by Kimberly Kilen & seconded by Debbie Winkle.

The next general meeting will be held on November 17 at 7pm and will again be virtual.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Colleen Chroma.