FHS Band Boosters Meeting – Monday, March 14, 2016

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| **Attendees:** | Susan Bean  Mark Scheyder  Julie Abel  Linda Whitaker  David Whitaker  Lisa Wood  Scott Philben  Christina Danford  Melanie Roukis  Ji-Hyun Ahn  Maryann Branch  Kate Lemieux | **Important Dates:** | 3/19 Drumline AIA Competition   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | 3/19 WinterGuard USSBA comp.,West Potomac | | | |  | | | |  | | | | **3/21-3/25 SPRING BREAK!!** | | | |  | | |   4/1-3 WinterGuard AIA Championships, Lorton  4/2 Drumline AIA Championships  4/6 WinterGuard WGI World Championships, Dayton, OH  4/11 Marching Band Boosters Meeting |

**Meeting Opened by** Susan Bean **at:** 7:04pm

**Treasurer’s Report:** David Whitaker

* Still collecting payments for Drumline & Winterguard (aprox. 7 students & $5000). Mr. Galway & staff working to collect payments.
* Mr. Galway’s already worked up a preliminary Marching band budget for next year ($400 per student)
* We are moving toward using more electronic payment method vs. checks
* Discussion ensued re: discount incentive for credit card use ($390 instead of $400) & early bird or pay in full discounts
* Students can set up their own accounts via Charms

**President’s Report:** Susan Bean

* February minutes previously approved via our new electronic method.
* A list is being created for students about concert & marching band attire & procedures
* An inventory program of what uniforms/concert attire we have is being created by the Lemieuxs
* Mr. Galway needs kids in band uniforms this Thursday after school for PEER video – adult volunteers needed as well
* Lorrie Sinclair has volunteered to organize the Food Fight event @ Dulles Expo Center (May 13-15)
* Band Awards Night will be an ice cream sundae bar in the cafeteria (Kate Lemeiux organizing)

**VP Operations Report:** Ji-Hyun Ahn

* Spirit wear was distributed for Drumline, see her for more info
* Drumline banquet all set
* Is there any system to request/evaluate bus drivers for competitions? (Excessively long route chosen by bus driver on recent band trip & we’re charged by mile. (Ji-Hyun to talk to Mr. Galway)

**VP Logistics Report**: Mark Scheyder

* Recent issues with rental truck, but all has been resolved.
* Indian River Growers sent info – are we going to do fruit sale again next year? If we can find someone to run it, yes, if not, no. (Mark to talk contact Leslie.)

**Fundraising Report**: Linda Whitaker

* Jazz Cabaret donations coming in
* Need volunteers to help in all areas (esp. w/ getting sponsors & restaurant nights)
* Have to decide if we’re doing Charity Mania again next year
* Have volunteer sign-ups for new band parents @ meeting in May
* Susan to ask Mr. Galway about the possibility of making it mandatory for parents to attend marching band auditions & requiring parents to volunteer (as athletic dept. does).

**VP Guard Report:** Lisa Wood

* Van worked out great, thanks to Board for providing
* Halfway thru their season, doing well
* Branch family has donated use of trailer for props
* Championships coming up
* Dayton trip coming up in April

**VP Drumline Report:** Melanie Roukis

**Band Director Report:** Susan Bean for Mr. Galway

* Thanks to parents for attending assessments
* The band played very challenging music and hopes to improve upon it for next year
* Wed. April 13th cluster concert, 5th grade choir & Lunsford band, need Freedom band students
* Marching band info to come out this week
* Need volunteers for Thursday video
* Auditions already posted for next year bands (3 levels of band possible)

**Meeting closed by** Susan Bean **at:** 8:17pm

**Next Meeting Date:** Monday, April 11, 2016

**Action Items:**

* Mr. Galway to contact families re: outstanding winterguard/drumline payments
* Colorguard referral incentive process needs to be discussed & solidified with Jen & Joel (Susan)
* Marching Band Packet to go out before spring break (Susan & David to go over w/ Joel)
* Is band playing for graduation? (Susan to ask Joel)
* David to send out Charms reports more frequently to band parents
* Susan to ask Mr. Galway about the possibility of making it mandatory for parents to attend marching band auditions & requiring parents to volunteer (as athletic dept. does).
* Ji-Hyun to talk to Mr. Galway re: requesting/evaluating bus drivers for competitions
* Mark to ask Leslie if she’s willing to coordinate fruit sale next year.
* Tailgate party for parents @ preview night (to get more parent involvement)?