

FHS Band Boosters Meeting – Monday, December 9, 2019

<p><b>Attendees:</b>                  Joel Galway                  Linda Kupsky                  Michelle Taylor                  Kevin Danford                  Jodi Goldberger                  Nancy Krall                  Kelly Good                  Anne Corej                  Julie Abel                  Danielle Henry                  David Werfel                  Sandy Aasen                  Jodi Cicci                  Mark Cicci</p>	<p><b>Important Dates:</b>                  February 8, 2020 Winter                  Guard Comp @ Patriot                  HS</p>	<p><b>Next General Mtg:</b>                  January 13, 2019</p>
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**Meeting Opened by** Linda Kupsky **at:** 7:02 pm

**President’s Report:** Linda Kupsky

- **VOTE TAKEN AND APPROVED:** Current Executive Board positions held will remain filled by existing members for 2020
- Booster bylaws are up for revision every 5 years, last updated in 2015, in the process of reviewing, focus will be on creating committees reflecting current needs- will present for review by spring time
- Jazz cabaret will be in May, will contact people that helped last year, Anaheeta Minwalla will do silent audition, Julie Abel will do food, etc.
- Canvassing for parent talent for committee heads: ie, someone who is good at websites

**VP Operations Report:** Jen Wroniewicz - not present, report by text

- Sponsors updated on website and Facebook page

**VP Drumline Report:** Michelle Taylor

- No drumline this season due to low enrollment in battery
- Students voted on creating a Percussion Ensemble, will be a fee for <\$100, deciding on practice days, will have concert opportunities at FHS
- Broad Run HS is offering percussion students to join their drumline, they have kids from other schools as well, Mr. Galway sent email with details and contact info.

**VP Logistics Report:** Kevin Danford

- Linda K. is storing petals in her basement
- Remaining props in sea container and trailer

**VP Guard Report:** Christina Danford - not present, report by email

- There are 6 members this season (Kat, Tyler, Aubrey, Kira, Emma & Maddie)
- Practices have begun -- Tues/Thurs evenings & Sats. 9am-5pm @ Liberty ES

- Fee is \$1000 broken into 4 payments (12/7, 1/11, 2/8, 3/14) -- line item is on Charms thru the Fixed Payments section in the Finance Tab
- Competitions are:
  - 2/8 @ Patriot High
  - 2/22 @ Woodgrove
  - 2/29 @ Forest Park
  - 3/7 WGI @ Richmond
  - 3/21 @ South County
  - 3/28 AIA Championships @ Hampton Roads Coliseum

**Treasurer's Report:** Jodi Goldberger

- Settled up from Marching Band season with Hope C.
- Need few more fees from Winter Guard
- Will be submitting tax return info next week
- Can assist with band class fees

**Band Director Report:** Mr. Galway

- **Let's start selling old uniforms/props to free up space and gain revenue**, need pictures taken, posted on websites/forums, Michelle T. knows FB groups that sell band stuff
- Uniforms are replaced every 7 years unless there's a budget delay
- Concert attire has been ordered, **will put out link for tux shirts**
- Jazz Ensemble: **will have roster by Wednesday**
- Jazz Cabaret will be good fundraiser: in past, we had \$5 admission fee, need to start working on silent auction, made ~\$2,500 last year, ~\$5k the year before, want it to feel more like an evening out
- Chantilly Jazz Festival scheduled for May 8th for the middle schoolers, **may move the date to get more middle schoolers, will talk to Mr. Manning**
- Disney: need to turn in room assignments by Wednesday; need help to choose 6 chaperones- 3 male/3 female, 97 students signed up. Travel agent will be giving itinerary and final cost.
- Debriefing about Marching Band season with staff, will like input from parents
- Considering hosting a competition here in 2020: need to reach out to Herndon HS, fill out interest form probably sometime around Feb for hosting, will need many volunteers
- Mixed feelings about VMBC this past season. USBands and VMBC both have pros/cons. USBands is dropping out in this area now, cadettes separating, future uncertain, judging more consistent. Independent judging is too variable. VMBC open to discussing improvements, has been around for 4-5 years, will be inquiring more into their philosophy.

**Comments:**

**Meeting closed by** Linda Kupsky **at:** 7:54pm

**Next Meeting Date:** January 13, 2019

**Action Items:** **in red**