

FMPA Meeting – March 9, 2020

In Attendance – Brad Delaney, April Bruder, Jasmine Smedley, Tina Wuorinen, Amanda Angert, Marsha Grubbs, Cindy Rebman, Bill Fessler, Heidi Reeb, Mel Wallace, Den Tenhundfeld, Laura Engleman, Glenda Esslinger, Sam Fronk, Stef Kennedy

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm.

Secretary's Report – Amanda Angert

Change "Magge" to "Maggie" on last page. Den T made the motion to approve minutes, Laura E seconded. Minutes approved.

President's Report – April Bruder

We're coming to the end of another fantastic school year. As is often the case, we worry a lot about money since that's the primary reason our organization exists. And, as is often the case, we end up in good shape or better than good shape (Phew!) where our fundraising and budgeted dollars are concerned. After last month's meeting, I took a closer look at the budget and our efforts so far. There are several areas we were and still are waiting for checks. We are also very fortunate to have SO many wonderfully generous community members. We've received a sizable donation since our last meeting as well as some generous giving by people buying, of all things, kitchen ware-thank you Amanda for yet another way to benefit our kids without directly hitting the same families' wallets :) I am excited about the things yet to come and for planning another great year (let time slow a bit until then-I am not ready to be a mama to a HS graduate just yet!). DBTS is only \$400 away from the goal, even though attendance was less than expected.

Band – Brad Delaney

Prepping for concert next week – March 18th at 7pm in the PAC (Jazz band, ensembles, orchestra). There is an informational meeting for Marching Band next Thursday, March 19th at 7 pm in the Band Room. The show theme will be announced at the meeting and packets will be distributed. Getting show music soon.

Choir/ Orchestra – Stefanie Kennedy

Orchestra Concert March 18th at 7 pm for HS. May concert is MS/elementary. The Who singers are meeting after school to rehearse and Megan Haarlammert has composed a piece to perform.

Elementary Music – Mel Wallace

Mel has been loving her time here! The State of Ohio has been revising its standards for music programs. Open comments soon and live by the end of the month.

Elementary Music – Laura Engleman

Our two Voices of Whitaker choirs continue to work on their music for the Finneytown Choral Concert on Wednesday, May 13th. At Brent, our Kindergarten and 1st grade students are enjoying singing, moving, dancing and playing classroom instruments as they explore the various elements of music!

Marching Band Uniforms – Marsha Grubbs

Need someone to replace Marsha (shadow her this summer). Will also need help this season with mending and washing gloves, as well as pairing them up afterwards.

Band/Choir Uniforms – Sandy Tenhundfeld

Sandy has finished the fittings except for Robbie Reeb; she will be fitting him on Thursday.

HS Band Report – Amanda Angert

HS Band: The next concert is Wednesday, March 18th at 7 pm. This will be a joint concert with HS Orchestra and HS Choir.

Pampered Chef Fundraiser: Thank you to everyone who has gotten behind this and spread the word! Sales are at \$807.50 and were just getting started! Also, I was incorrect about the price point where our percentage increases – it's actually at \$600, not \$1k – so we have earned \$121.13 thus far! The party runs until March 16th.

HS Orchestra Report – Tina Wuorinen

High School band and orchestra concert coming up on Wed, March 18th at 7 PM.

Membership – Rebecca Page

We now have 56 members/donors, for a total of \$2,450.00. We now have 6 donors to the Kelley Hickey Memorial Orchestra Camp Scholarship Fund, for a total of \$120.00.

Communications – Rebecca Page

The deadline for submissions for the April / May e-newsletter (the last one of the school year) is Friday, April 24. Earlier is better. This will allow me time to compile all the submissions, get a draft copy to April and Mike to proof/approve, and send it out to the membership and administration no later than Friday, May 1. I try to send it out right at the end of the 1st month of the 2 months covered in the e-newsletter, or the beginning of the 2nd month at the very latest, if there are late submissions. **As the 1st May concert is May 6, I want to make sure to have the Music Notes sent out to membership as early as possible - ideally by the end of April.**

Website – Bill Fessler

General maintenance on website. Pampered Chef Fundraiser information added to the page.

Private Lessons – Kathy Revelle

Still going with few students.

School Board – Cindy Rebman

District wide sessions have met twice with a 3rd session on March 10th after school. There will be a meeting on March 18 during the day for elementary staff members (where rooms should be in the buildings, not how they look). They will continue to meet and eventually fine tune individual rooms. Dave Oliverio figured out that could save some money by re-doing some paperwork and getting lower interest rates, therefore paying off the debt quicker than 37 years. Groundbreaking will be about a year from now and the baseball team will be able to play a full season on the Brent fields. Opening scheduled for Fall 2022. Money for Secondary Campus is not guaranteed yet; we are guaranteed when it's in the budget.

Treasurer's Report – Heidi Reeb

Received a \$1400 anonymous donation - \$100 went to membership. Percussion Festival has received just over \$1200 in donations, \$450 not accounted for. We are now using the Double Check system when accepting checks at events. Must have this posted at so people know we are using this 3rd party. Den T made a motion to approve. Laura E seconded. Motion approved.

Old Business

Shoes: The fundraiser has ended but we are still waiting for the money. We ended up with 66 bags of shoes!

Golf Cart: There are 3 different chargers that could be used for the golf cart. Hoping to finalize this week.

Percussion Festival – Glenda/Marsha: Glenda and Marsha met last week to discuss food. One meal for about 40 people. Pulled beef/chicken/pork, buns, chips, salads, desserts. There will be a SignUp Genius for donations (Tina will send out mid-month) and they will need 7 people to help serve. Everything will be pre-bagged. Glenda will purchase plates/cups with FNPA money. There will be water and lemonade to drink.

Percussion Festival – Sam Fronk: All the money has been raised (\$1600 turned, \$2200 committed). There will be 40-50 students and all extra money raised will be donated back to FMPA.

Procedure Documents: Just a reminder to send to April.

Concession Fundraiser: Opening 2 dates for FC games. This may turn into a permanent opportunity.

New Business

Anyone resigning, let April know so a replacement can be found. Our current needs are: Uniforms, Cookie Doug, MS band, Treasurer

Need Business Fundraiser ideas!

Spirit Wear Reveal! April has been working with Adam Minard to work on some updated Spirit Wear for Marching Band. Items will include a ¼ zip, short and long sleeved t-shirts and a hoodie. We are unsure of the price point but because they are screen printed (not embroidered), they will be a less expensive option. The color swill be neutral and personalization is not an option but there is a possibility of doing sections.

The next meeting is on April 13.

Den T motioned to adjourn the meeting, Amanda A seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

