

FMPA Minutes – 2/10/20

In Attendance – Maggie Laird, April Bruder, Amanda Angert, Jamie Vogelsang, Bill Fessler, Tina Wuorinen, Laura Engleman, Denny Tenhundfeld, Laura Beverly, Marsha Grubbs, Sam Fronk, Michael Kennedy, Stefanie Kennedy, Heidi Reeb, Rebecca Page, Eric Muchmore

Meeting was called to order at 7:03.

Secretary's Report – Maggie Laird

Under Cookie Dough Report, change \$1300 to \$13,000.00. Tina W made a motion to approve. Amanda A seconded. All approved.

President's Report – April Bruder

Lots of shoes at her house. We are in the process of wrapping up the shoe fundraiser. We are also wrapping up DBTS.

Band Report – Michael Kennedy/ Brad Delaney

Jazz band on Thursdays and Fridays is going great. They are struggling to find music. Ensembles, 5th-12th grade are also doing great. High school students are gearing up for the 3/18 concert. There are also a bunch of solos being prepared. Marching band show is moving along. The first draft will be here next week. Mr. Kennedy is grateful to Amanda A for researching different camps for band camp 7/2020. She put in a lot of thought into this which was very helpful to Mr. Kennedy. Asbury Univeristy in KY will be our new band camp site. It fits with our budget. Camp will run Sunday – Thursday, 7/12-7/17. One major drawback is that we will have to paint the field ourselves. They are going up on Friday to check out some details. The hope is that this will be our band camp every summer for the foreseeable future. No more pep band for the rest of the basketball season. Interview process for the music position at Whitaker will begin in April.

Orchestra – Stefanie Kennedy

HS is getting ready for 3/18 concert. Younger groups will perform in May concert. Zach Wuorinen just did All State Orchestra. Zack Wuorinen will play with the band during the concert.

Choir – Stefanie Kennedy

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Elementary Music – Laura Engleman

From Mrs. Wallace –

The students have been excited about music and my curriculum is focusing more on Social Emotional Learning rather than core music content. That will come, I promise. In years past I've found that using SEL at the beginning of the year (in this case, the beginning of my year here) has a great impact on the music content we will learn later. Students are introduced to positive behavior values through musical activity. While they are still using musical skills (rounds, steady beat, rhythms, matching pitch, etc.), the objective is to establish routine and positive values. I call these "non-musical musical skills" that help build musicality during the school year but aren't necessarily musical themselves. The students have responded really well and I see that they are SO musical! I am excited to see how they progress during the rest of the school year. Thank you for giving me a chance with them!

HS Orchestra – Tina Wuorinen

The combined Band, Orchestra, and Choir concert is coming up on Wednesday, March 18. We will just need a couple of chaperones; it is only high school groups.

Treasurer's Report (through 2/10/20) – Heidi Reeb

See attached. Review & discussion of report. Cookie dough sales have been closed out at \$12,593.65. Luminaries has also been closed out. Den T motioned to approve the report. Rebecca P seconded. All were in favor.

Uniforms – Marsha Grubbs & Sandy Tenhunfeld

Concert Uniforms - I have to fit Robbie R for the spring concert.

Membership – Rebecca Page

We now have 52 members/donors, for a total of \$2,275.00. We still have 5 donors to the Kelley Hickey Memorial Orchestra Camp Scholarship Fund, for a total of \$95.00.

Communications – Rebecca Page

The deadline for submissions for the February / March e-newsletter is Friday, February 21. 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 by Wednesday, February 26. 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. I will be out for yet another 6-week medical leave (surgery is 2/27), so anything submitted after 2/21 will not make it into the next e-newsletter.

Website – Bill Fessler

April B says to keep the Shoe Fundraiser information up a bit longer.

Private Lessons – Kathy Revelle

Private Lessons are going along well, but still with low student numbers (except for percussion).

Old Business –

April B - This years numbers were significantly lower than last year. Having it early and while a basketball game is going on may have been a reason for this. Also, getting donations that time of year, right after the holidays, was more difficult.

DBTS Food – Tina Wuorinen

Age 4-Grade 6 - 20 tickets

Complimentary - 37 tickets

Grade 7 - Adult - 128 tickets

Total - 185 tickets

This is down from about 225 last year. We got too much food from LaRosa's and were able to return some that we had not cooked, but there was still a lot left over. Some people on clean up crew took some of it home. We tried to find a place to donate it(thanks to Angela and Chris Hursh), but we ended up having to throw a lot away. I have reduced the amount that we are asking for from LaRosa's for next year. Attached is what I wrote up to help for future years just for the food portion. Please see if there is anything I missed or that needs changed. (See attached.) Raffles did great this year.

Tina W asked if the play directors would be returning. Jamie V asked if it was possible to have it on a Saturday. There are many drawbacks to having it on a Saturday. It's something we can discuss in the future.

Shoes – We have collected approximately 60 bags of shoes. Please say thank you to Mike Morgan who is also so helpful to our organization, especially lately with the shoes.

A big thank you to Tina W & Amanda A for collecting so many shoes and being so helpful during this process. We have approximately 1 more week to collect. We hope to collect as many as possible to maximize our fundraising success.

Luminaries – We made less this year because we had to buy supplies. We can talk more in June to see if we want to continue.

Golf Cart Charger – Den T just needs to order it.

Financial & Copy Procedures – reach out to April B for questions. Terri Noe and Diane Nahallage with central duplicating have to get it copy requests first. Diane N won't copy until Terri N approves. For our financial procedures, please use the deposit form and follow directions. You can see Heidi R for an updated tax exempt form. The new deposit form is on the website.

New Business –

Percussion Festival – Sam Fronk

Saturday April 4th

Registration is going to open at 8:30am and event will run until 5pm. Guest artist include members of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, Susan Powell from Ohio State and Rusty Burge from CCM and he is going to perform with a jazz trio which will be really cool.

Fundraising: I am about halfway to my fundraising goal of \$2,000

Chipotle Fundraiser Wednesday night Feb 12 from 5-9 at the Finneytown chipotle. Mention FMPA!

Will be adding 1 or 2 more dine to donates in March. Registration will be \$20 to attend for non Finneytown people. Lunch will be included: Glenda Esslinger has volunteered to be in charge of lunch.

We are going to do some sort of potluck so we will need volunteers

Need a few volunteers to help throughout the event, can someone be in charge of getting volunteers organized? -Tina volunteered

Last year we had 43 students total attend. We hope for 60 this year.

Spring Fundraiser??? – We don't have all of our money in. Overview of the budget. We need to make approximately \$1500.00 to meet our budget. Possibly have sponsors on our t-shirts to raise more money? Mr. Kennedy wants to crunch the numbers harder and see where spending can be reduced.

Then at the next meeting have a more concise report of how we are falling into our budget. Perhaps we can try to maximize the Percussion Festival to bring in more than budgeted. Sam F would need someone to work alongside him to reach out to more businesses to bring in more funds.

We have at least \$2500.00 coming in form concessions volunteering. April can get you in touch with the person to get people set up to volunteer in concessions.

Business Fundraiser – April B asked Den T to look into a banner for the band that would list our sponsors. We could capitalize on the March, April & May concerts. Rebecca P may have to access to a vinyl printer that would be of minimal charge; you just have to pay for the vinyl that you use.

Marching Band T-Shirt – get more orders in when we place the shirt order for the kids. Take pre orders earlier in the summer. Those shirts would have to be separate monies from band camp payments. \$15 shirts/ \$20 shirts form late orders. No shipping costs.

We need new updated spirit wear; multi-option. April B has been looking into alternative options. We could even get some by the May concerts. Jamie V offered to help April B with new shirts. New contact does not do embroidery. He has no minimum for spirit wear. We need to look at a lower cost option to get more band families to purchase spirit wear.

April B would like to have more than just fundraiser stuff on our FB page. Please send her pics or information that is music relevant.

We need to create procedure documents with timelines so when people are done with their job there is information to pass along.

Rebecca P may need a back up for 3/18 for membership for the concert if she is not able to be there. Heidi R committed to being her back up.

The next meeting will be 3/9/2020 at 7:00 pm in the media center on the secondary campus.

Den T motioned to adjourn the meeting. Magge L seconded. All approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 pm.