

## FMPA Minutes – November 9, 2020

In attendance – April Bruder, Maggie Laird, Marsha Grubbs, Den Tenhundfeld, Bill Fessler, Michael Kennedy, Stef Kennedy, Brad Delaney, Beth Cahill, Heidi Reeb, Kayla Fields, Rebecca Page, Eric Muchmore, Cindy Rebman, Laura Engleman, Sandy Tenhundfeld

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm

### Secretary's Report – Maggie Laird

Approval of Minutes- Amanda A made a motion to approve October minutes, Bill F seconded the motion. All were in favor.

### President's Report – April Bruder

Attached is tomorrow's agenda. I expect this meeting to be relatively short. Again, please email me/teachers ahead of time if you have any questions you'd like to discuss.

We'll be using Google Meet this month. I'd like to send special thanks to Amy Catanzaro for stepping up and taking on Luminaries this year. We SO appreciate you! Additional thanks to Beth and Jamie for their work on a new cookie dough program. We're in the home stretch. Please be sure to share the FMPA facebook links and get your own orders in! It's so easy to order online and many people have already gotten their orders! Thanks again for your support of our teachers during this time. I know they appreciate it!

### Band/ Music – Michael Delaney & Brad Delaney

Concert on 12/16. Capacity rule for PAC. Virtual students will be on a backdrop. Concert will be recorded and will be available for 1 week. If you are attending the concert, you have to stay for the whole concert. Concert dress for the concert, no tuxes, etc. MK will send out a registration form for people to reserve seats. Virtual students will record their pieces ahead of time; flex students will perform on stage as the virtual student video is playing. There will be a check-in out side the front doors of PAC. Rebecca will leave a stack of membership forms at the concert. The count of people allowed in the building will include performers and audience. If we are on purple it will be all virtual. People will not be allowed to switch seats. If people leave early, they will not be able to get back in. Flex families who don't want to perform in person, can perform virtually. ½ of 5<sup>th</sup> grade has received their instruments, the other ½ will get theirs this week. Some virtual kids came to pick up their instruments last week. If they are not teaching they are teaching kids private lessons.

### Orchestra/ Choir – Stef Kennedy

It's been great to see the flex kids in person. Flex and virtual kids are making progress. There have been some fun videos made to create excitement over cookie dough. There are some financial hardships which is one reason for low cookie dough sales.

### Elementary Music – Kayla Fields

Students have learned multiple songs, done movement games, done body percussions with rhythms. Musical escape room- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Kids will create their own instruments so they can take them home. Virtual talent show via a virtual experience on 12/18 for all students at whitaker. Things have been going well with flex kids; they are singing with masks on. Not sure what is going on with Brent in terms of music.

Uniforms – Marsha Grubbs & Sandy Tenhundfeld  
MK is considering new uniforms for spring of 2021.

Membership – Rebecca Page

We now have 28 Members/Donors (including 4 FMPA Board Members - don't forget we're all required to be members to serve on the board) for a total of \$1720.00, and no Kelley Hickey Memorial Orchestra Camp Scholarship Fund donors.

Communications – Rebecca Page

After the first e-newsletters of the year were published on a wonky schedule, due to COVID-19, I am now able to resume the regular bi-monthly e-newsletter schedule. The next edition will be the December / January edition, set to be emailed to everyone during the last week of 2nd quarter before winter break (not later than Friday, December 18). Please submit any newsworthy items, photos, video clips, web links, or anything else you would like to highlight not later than Friday 12/11/2020. This can include anything our music students or staff are doing in school, at home, or in the community at large. This should include any events happening through the end of February, as this is when the Feb / Mar edition will be published.

Website – Bill Fessler

No report.

Private Lessons – Kathy Revelle

I am attaching a draft pdf of a Private Lessons flyer. I had a bit of a problem finding a strings instructor who wasn't fully booked with students. Isabel Dimhoff is a cello specialist, but should be able to offer instruction on other string instruments as well. Please send me corrections/edits. I will prepare a final draft for distribution electronically. Mike, I think last year paper copies were also given to students; you decide about that.

Board of Education Report – Cindy Rebman

They have looked and chosen on 4 different brick colors for the elementary school. Have seen a virtual look at what the inside will look like for the elementary school on the realistic level. Looking at using solar panels, but it would have to be funded separately.

Treasurer's Report – Heidi Reeb

See attached report. Review of report for the month of October. Den T moves to approve the report, Marsha G seconds the motion. All were in favor.

Old Business –

Fundraising – Beth Cahill

We have a profit so far of \$1,874.90. Retail sales are \$4,466.00. We have sold 249 units, with about 33 sellers. It would great to get more people to participate. Sale ends on 11/16. Videos have been great. It's a combination of the financial aspect, it's a new fundraiser, and kids can't go door to door to sell. We have a chairperson for Amy Catanzaro for Luminaries. Tina Wuorinen has given all the documents over. April B and family got everything for luminaries from the support house. She will let us know when she needs assistance. 12/20 is the date for Light up Finneytown.

Digitizing and Streamlining of Accounting - There has been an offer to purchase software for for financials. Heidi R is looking into Wesbanco online functionality.

FMPA is now in Maggie L's basement. It is mostly luminary items.

Business Fundraisers - Now does not seem like the right time to ask businesses for money.

New Business –

What are the non-negotiables that we need to spend money on? Our teachers know where the greatest needs are.

Amazon Smile – those need to be updated, so that we can get the rewards. Rebecca P will work on a quick how-to.

PayPal Tuesday Day of Giving – we will plan on doing that.

The next meeting will be 12/14 at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment- Den T makes a motion to adjourn. Marsha G seconds the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.