

Fruitport Band Parent Association Meeting
October 2, 2018

Present: Tim Priest, Director; Katie Cadwell, Director, Stefanie Freeland, President; Rick Saucier, First Vice-President; Kellie Santose, Treasurer; Audree Towers, Trustee; Sue Killian-Anderson, Secretary; Malinda Page, Uniform Chair; Christina Cribley, Tom Zeller, Vanessa Fletcher, Kari Snippe, Kathy Jeffery

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm with a welcome from President Stefanie Freeland. Introductions were made.

Minutes from September 4, 2018 were reviewed. Katie made the motion to accept the minutes, Kellie supported. Carried.

Kellie provided the Treasurer's Report. General Account balance is \$38,697.85. The Student Account balance is \$18,686.45. Still working on updating Charms.

Middle School Director's Report – Katie Cadwell

- Still missing a lot of handouts: Band Contracts, Handbook, Instrumental Rental forms, Charms info. Forms are due immediately.
- Will be ordering Polos – new vendor (Trophy House). \$15.00 instead of \$20.00.
- New Leadership Team – will meet bi-monthly, decided to do Band Buddies for December.
- Practice Slips and Practice Assessments – missing some. Will be doing practice assessments in class. Will be doing something different in the second quarter to encourage practice.
- Openers in Class – easy points for students.
- A letter was sent home for the Blue and White bands regarding costumes for the October 25th concert. Reminded students what to expect and included a permission slip from parents to be able to wear costumes.
- Fall Solo and Ensemble will be December 1.
- 7th and 8th graders can sign up to go to competitions and help with props.
- Will be placing another Jacket order. Orders due with money November 1.
- 5th Quarter Party – to benefit K-12 Music Program. Encourage participation among family and friends. Cost is \$20.00. Will have silent auction, raffles, games, drawings. The event is for 21 and older.

High School Director's Report – Tim Priest

- Homecoming is Friday – sent out form for Alumni to participate. Will have music ready.
- Scales were due – will be 4 times a month.
- First concert is October 25th at Orchard View for the 7th-12th grade bands and choirs. Will be posting on Band Page volunteer opportunities. OV will provide an "Auditorium Manager to run lights and sound.
- Marching Band – season is almost over. Grand Haven was first scored competition. Fruitport came in third overall with a score of 84.7. Scheduled for competitions: 10/13 – Belding; 10/20 – Jenison; 10/27 – West Shoreline Invitational; and hopefully state on 11/3, followed by Stadium Echoes.
- Marching Band Photo Form sent home. Money and orders are due October 17th.
- Will need lots of help with props at our competitions. Watch the Facebook page for opportunities.
- Stefanie and Tim will be meeting with the Football Coach regarding the running of concessions.
- Met with Bob Smoniak regarding truck issue. Reached out to Sparta to find out how they got their new truck. They received a donation from Meijer. Tim will be asking for donation for Fruitport. If school buys a truck it would be used by the band and the school with the assurance that the band would have it to use as needed.

First Vice-President – Rick Saucier

- Opportunities to volunteer will be posted on the Facebook page.
- Can check status of Disney payments.

Second Vice-President – Vacant

- Stefanie advised that this position is open – one year term. The person would oversee fund raising. If anyone is interested or has fund raising ideas they should contact one of the Board members.

Trustee – Audree Towers

- Great to see everyone out at tonight's meeting.

Uniform Chair – Malinda Page

- Guard needs to cover uniform when putting on makeup – makeup will not come out of their uniform.

- Will not be at school before competition on Saturday, 10/13 but will be at competition to help with taking care of uniforms after performance.
- Noted that it was easier to move props.

Equipment Chair – Mike Towers has accepted the Equipment Chair position.

Prop Committee Chair – Rich Santose – Kellie reported that there is just a bit more needed to complete the props.

Fundraising Committee Chair – Vacant. Again, if interested contact someone on the Board. The next fund raiser is the Meat Block sale. Audree is looking for someone to do the Wreaths.

General Business:

- Concert set-up – 3 different set-up and will rotate. All bands/choirs will be in the auditorium throughout the performances.
- Committee to do Boo Grams.
- Need to create a PowerPoint Presentation for job vacancies.
- Tom suggested that we look at the pit cart to find a way to “shrink” it for ease in moving it in and out of trailer.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- October 5 – Homecoming
- October 13 – Belding Invitational (Lunch provided)
- October 20 – Jenison (Lunch provided)
- October 27 – Westshore at Rockford (lunch and dinner provided)
- November 3 – State Finals in Detroit (Must qualify for)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Killian-Anderson, Secretary