

Jefferson Township High School Band Parents Association
June 15, 2011

Call to order-Welcome 7:35

Attendees:

Sharon VanDyke

Debra Flynn

Mary Beth Faust

Bibi Lakhicharran

Mary Wendt

Mary Varner

Merry Barrieres

Anne DiPietro

Minutes from last meeting (5-4-11) submitted by Mary Wendt. Mary Varner motioned to accept Anne DePietro seconded.

Treasurer's Reports submitted by Ann D iPietro

Receipts need to be turned in within a month of expense because it holds up the creation of the profit loss statement and we would need to make adjustments in the next month. A lot of work goes into the financial statements and delaying submission of receipts creates more accounting work.

Suggestion-tell people they have to be within a reasonable amount of time, or they will not be reimbursed.

The final page of treasurers report is where we stand with the current allocations.

Note: the kids are trying to spearhead a fundraiser to do car washes this summer to raise money for Giants stadium. This event will not be sponsored/supported by the band parents.

Fundraising

Can Shake- (7/23/11 scheduled 11am - 1pm at A&P and Pathmark)-Is the first fundraiser for the upcoming season. This day is the start of marching band practice. Josie will chair the event. Josie will email the kids will receive a score on a grid for scholarship application for participation. Josie has co-chairs for Lake Hopatcong and is looking for co-chairs for this side of town.

Old Business

Sweet Taste of Jefferson- 4/14/11-thank you for help chairing to all who helped out. Overall the attendance was incredible

Annual Sale- 5/4/11-thnk you to all who participated. We are giving away 10% of our profit. We will review the process, perhaps limit the number of items for sales. Next time stick to the deadline.

Car Wash - 5/14/11-was very successful for a cloudy day only 2 hours. Next time we will consider a longer day. Some of the kids were in the road & taking off their clothes. Firehouse spoke to Mary, the police will be involved if they kids behave this way. Next time we will post the rules for the kids, if they don't follow the rules their parents will be called to pick them up. They should bring lunch next time.

Concert- 5/18/11-thanks to Kathy & Sharon, Rachel VanDyke and Cory Senney for helping with the concert ticket collection and snack stand.

Dinner Dance 5/27/11-seemed to go well, blankets were not in, that was disappointing for the seniors. Mary is in the process of distributing the blankets now. Thank you to Deb for donating the centerpieces.

Blankets are \$30.00 but they will redesign the logo which may drive up the cost.

Mary found a letter from past years there were criteria that to get a blanket they needed to be a member for 2 years and fill out an application if they want a blanket.

We will require an application with a deadline. Student needs to be in the band for at least 2 years. We will grandfather and walk on seniors for this year or if the student transferred in their Sr.year.

Marching Band Open House- 5/31/11 thank you to Sharon VanDyke for donating a beautiful cake. Thank you to Norma Amro for donating paper goods and drink mixes.

Scholarship Presentation -6/9/11 Last meeting we discussed that their must be a cutoff on fundraising to go toward scholarships. Sweet Taste will be the last year of the fundraiser that will go toward the scholarship fund. Scholarship money must be distributed and used by the student by the end of the award year.

Ongoing Business – our bylaws have been approved. Within the next week or so the process to pursue non profit status will be begun.

Mary is making it abundantly clear that she will not be chairing fundraisers. IF THERE ARE NO CHAIRS FOR FUNDRAISERS AND POSITIONS, THEY ARE NOT GOING TO HAPPEN.

There are 107 students in bands and color guard, but people are not stepping up to help out. ABC groups log what parents are doing. We need to change how we are doing things.

1st day of the second marking period will be the cutoff for BPA membership.

Underclassmen, have until the end of the calendar year to be eligible for applicable benefits

Underclassmen can help with setting up the grid.

We are opening up membership to parents with past or upcoming band members. It is open to anyone who wants to support the band.

For underclassman – to get certain benefits you need to be a member by a certain date

How are we going to make parents understand that their membership/assistance is needed and that active parental involvement is required for a scholarship? There is a place on the BPA form and Mr. B will discuss it at Back to School Night. Mary wants to do a mailing to all band senior parents. Mr. B will ask for permission to give the school a sealed stamped envelope and the school will address and mail the envelope.

Board of Education policy/Non profit organization

New Business

Membership policy (above)

We need to contact parents, we need help with summer band week. July 18 – August 1 Monday- Thursday.

Students will be allowed to help.

Marching Band Camp Week – Executive board talked about possibly charging \$10 per student for meals for the whole week. This should be included in the mailing. We need 2 chairs for marching band camp Tanya and Mary Beth will chair.

Need volunteers. B will be pit coordinator and truck driver

Pit Coordinator & Crew for Home and Away Games and Competitions

Home Game Snack Coordinator -needed

Equipment Truck Drivers – Mr. B, Mark VanDyke

Away Game and Competition Chaperones -needed

Marching Band Home Competition – need a chair we will leave the volunteer time required for a free ticket to 2 hours. A schedule will be made up ahead of time. Mary will look into who it was that was going to do the judges room.

Budget for 2011-2012- allocations were reviewed. There were no questions or comments.

The entire executive board needs to be bonded. This was set up for \$20,000. This coverage will cost the association \$250.00. In the fall we will have to pay \$309 for liability. The competition allocation went up significantly. The bare minimum for the completion is \$3000.00.

B thinks someone should do a study of what other schools charge for food at competitions, we may be undercharging.

Merry suggested trying to sell a Frito pie-a bag of fritos, chili on top and cheese served in the bag.

Adjournment 8:55.

Meeting Dates:

Summer Mandatory Marching Band meeting- Thursday, July 28 at 7 pm with weekly progress Band Camp and Home Competition meetings during every Thursday practice beginning July 21.

School Year- tentatively every third Wednesday of the month

Adjournment