

PMA Meeting – August 9, 2016

Call to Order: Amy Wayland called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM

Minutes: minutes from the June kickoff meeting were reviewed by attendees and the Executive Board. Motion to approve – Mike EBerhardt, 2nd – Lori Westernberger. All approved

Treasurer's Report:

- Question on the gift cards income –we were late getting set up and getting checks to Treasurer.
- How much did Soul game make – about \$2000

Motion to approve – Lori W, 2nd – Julie Caporaletti

New Website:

- Same web address, new look. Phone numbers, link to Mr. Feher's website. Thank you to Tim Petrosky for assisting with this.

Band Camp:

- Started this week – last day is Thursday, 8/25 with parent show at 7:30 – up on field to see the final show.

Volunteers:

- We are going to need everyone helping with Spectrum coming up in October. All clearances must be on file with the SD. Lots going on and reasons to help out.

Uniform Fittings:

- Beginning tomorrow – all students need the sales order form for their gloves, shoes, and t-shirts. Email went out today with the document.
- New t-shirts this year, so EVERYONE must have the new t-shirt. We recommend buying 2 for weekends with both football game and competition. Stacy Zeller has a design to show.
- Percussion and FE will not need gloves. Other sections need either full gloves or fingerless.
- Dinkles are the shoes – they will be sized here as the sizes are not the same as regular shoes.
- Students will come home with the Uniform agreement with their uniform pieces listed. You are welcome to come in to inspect the uniforms before signing. All signed agreements will be scanned into the students file in Charms. Hard copy can be requested or printed.
- A question was raised about whether students are weighed: Yes, students will be weighed, but only for the purpose of fitting.
- We need volunteers to help with alterations. Send Stacy and Amy an email if you are willing to help with this.

New Parent Reception:

- Monday August 15th here in cafeteria. Basically Q&A with light refreshments. 7 PM. Board members and some seasoned members will be available.

Band Picnic:

- Every year we have a band picnic – families invited. Newsletter has link to sign up to RSVP and bring a side or dessert. Up at Markey Park – rain or shine.

Spectrum of Sound:

- Most of us have not attended before as it has been cancelled or postponed. This is our band festival.
- Currently 13 bands attending – looking at 2000 – 3000 people on campus.
- We need help with concessions, buttons, hospitality. Sherri Lee coordinating. Please mark the date – we will need everyone’s help. As soon as we have a tentative schedule, we will send that out. Committees are already setup. We have a fun time. Need to confirm that we have the transportation area reserved. Mike Eberhardt also requested that the E-Board contact PSD about cones

Disney Trip:

- Dates have been approved by SB, but not the contract. At this point we can definitively say that there is a trip but we cannot guarantee. We are assured that it should be approved, so we recommend that students start fundraising. However, money that is fundraised cannot be returned to you at the end of the year. Funds can be donated to another student (in writing) or to the PMA or to a group (example – Drum Line).
- Dates are 3/22-3/26/2017. Should the contract get approved at the Board meeting this month – payments would begin soon after, within about 2 weeks and run through January, maybe February depending on when the balance needs to be paid.
- Approximate cost is \$1600-\$1700 per student. That includes airfare, meal vouchers, accommodations. The hotel includes breakfast – vouchers for lunch and dinner. Accommodations are outside the park per Disney’s requirements. They are not allowing any large vehicles into their hotels – students will be bussed from the hotel to the parks using Hagey busses.
- Questions about if students can’t raise the money – we recommend participating in as many fundraisers as possible. Concerns that it’s August and we still don’t have a definite answer. Many other schools operate the same way - they are notified at band camp for a spring trip. We will keep you updated as soon as we know what is going on.

Fundraising:

- Two types – General and Points. General for PMA use, Points for students.
- Giant Cards – available through Wanda. For every \$100 your student gets \$5. Can also get other denominations.
- Landis Cards – available through Julie Caporaletti – same \$100 and your student gets \$5

Ad Book:

- BEST fundraiser – students get 60% of the sales of the ads. Forms are on our website, with a letter for businesses. Printed 3 times through the year. Personal forms also available.
- Reminder to Senior parents to get their ads together. Students still get 60% of them also. Deadline is September 24th.

August Fundraisers:

- Gianni’s pizza
- Save Around coupon books – week of August 22nd. More local, books are \$25, students make \$12,50. Book will need to be returned, but students all get 1 – there is also a mobile code for an app and have coupons for other locations. Can also order the Lehigh Valley or Chester version.
- Five Below fundraiser – 8/20-8/27 – band will get 10%

September Fundraisers:

- Chiarro's – general fundraiser
- Blue Mountain Candles – better bargain than Yankee Candles – sell for \$14, students get \$5

Continuous fundraiser:

- Scrips program starting in the next week or two. Watch for info on that. We are trying to run at least 2 fundraisers each month to assist with raising the money.

Veggie Stand:

- Lori Keller talked about the veggie stand her sister runs – house next to Seylar school. Money is being gifted to the PMA. Everything is being donated. Last year they donated \$800. Currently we are at \$500. Today someone donated \$100 without taking anything.

Facebook pages:

- PMA group AND the Pennridge Marching Rams 2016 site.

Charms:

- Students should have come home with letters about how to login. Contact Julie at secretary@penntidgemusic.org

Questions:

- How are points cashed in?
 - When the forms are submitted – you can pay with points. You can submit receipts for instrument repairs and such to be reimbursed. Guard supplies can also be bought with points – saber, rifle, etc.
- How are the points distributed from fundraisers?
 - Person running the fundraiser will keep track of who the points go to.
- How long will we wait to hear about Disney?
 - It's up to Mr. Feher.
- If the trip goes – we will need chaperones and you cannot fundraise for that.

Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn – Sherri Lee, 2nd by Wanda Wolfe.

Next meeting:

September 13, 2016 at 7 PM in the band room.