

WAKEFIELD MUSIC BOOSTERS



Meeting Minutes

Date: August 10, 2015; 7:10 pm-9:20 pm @ Ansaldi's Home

Meeting Attendance:

Lou Prosperi, Dan & Lisa White, Denise DiTonno, Anne Chin, Lynn & Dave McCormack, Jeff & Mary Crump, Rich DiGuardia, Alan Zall, Elizabeth & Matthew Lowry, Mary Anne Power, Chelby Cierpial, Jenny Spiers, Nick & Meg Ansaldi, Chris Callanan, TJ White, and Sheila Smith

Secretary's Report

Motion made to accept the minutes from last month's meeting. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

During 2014-15 we made approximately \$3,000.

Key expenses: \$7,500 on new uniforms to be paid in 2 parts. 50 new kids

Trip fund +\$ 2,000 from Polar Express

\$34,000 from Polar Express

We add \$5,000 to the trip fund every year, and have provided \$20,000 per trip. We will be putting more into the trip fund over the next couple of years. For the next trip we will provide ~\$30,000 (Chris proposed, second by Meg)

Use pay online for donations, MICAA and NESBA, concessions, apparel, etc. Will need to check if the swipers meet new laws.

Facilitator / WHS Marching Band Director's Report

6 successful summer programs. 175 kids participated.

Marching Band

- 120 kids, 50 of them rookies
- All new equipment is here.
- MICCA finals will be in Lawrence
- 8/17 Rookie Parent Meeting
- 8/20 General Parent Meeting - Volunteer list
- 8/27 Cookout - need to order grill (Meg and Jenny are organizing)
- Email sent to Band/Parent for Red Sox Game
- Need chaperones for the Red Sox Game.
- Tom is getting training for the lights at Landrigan Field.

Warrior Pride Night

Drama

Don't know next year's show yet

NESBA & MICCA

Contract and money are waiting on Principal's signature.

NESBA (10/10) - 13 bands have confirmed

MICCA (10/17) - \$2500 to host. No bands have signed up yet.

Concession Coordinator, Denise, is meeting with the new director for permits.

Working on obtaining permits, DPW, Food Service, Parking

Polar Express

Polar Express: 12/13/15 - \$12,833 to the MBTA

- \$27 a ticket + \$2 service fee.
- Met 6/16 with MBTA on how to make things better:
 - Start time at station
 - Cleanup time
 - Crew last year was great.
 - Had no contact information at the station.
- Ticket availability October 22
- Advertising on 10/22
- Cast will be picked by 9/25 - Early tickets until the 15th
- Reducing PR: less filers, no big banner, etc
- Group sales option was discussed
- Volunteer empty slots
 - Lisa - retail (needs to talk to Christine and Anne)
 - Chelby - decorations
 - Dave and Paul - Santa
 - Truck Driver
 - Still need - Station coordinator, food for staff, train coordinator.
 - Shadows for Jenny, Christine and Meg.

Fundraising

Contribution drive

Leaf Raking 11/7 and 11/14

- Need volunteers
- Meg need a shadow this year
- Opening to orchestra and chorus singers ??
- 70 houses
- Slight portion to go to the trip fund?

Ad books: handing out at Band Camp

- Business card \$40, ¼ page \$75, ½ page \$150, full page \$200, back page \$500
- Section leaders will be asked to hit the known businesses
- Chamber of Commerce has offered membership for a swap of a ¼ page ad.
- Possibly paying online using iPay

Website

Ann and Lynn have met to transfer knowledge

Red Sox ticket info added
Looking to simplify the site
Adding social media, videos, photos
Would like to get photos from Band Camp.
Change billing to PayPal.

Old Business

School Committee Boosters Guidelines:

- We have no issues with the current guidelines
- Sports Boosters still having issues with the paying of coaches.
- They will be writing a letter to the paper. We are not adding our name to it.

New Business

Mary Crump will need help with the uniforms
Mike Mouradian sent us a Thank You letter for his scholarship

September 8th first day of school.
Next meeting September 3.