

**Fort Mill District Band Booster Club, Inc.**  
January 2013 NFHS Band Booster Meeting Minutes  
Date: Monday, January 28, 2013 7PM  
Location: NFHS Chorus Room/Band Room

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Stacy Tickle.

The **November Booster Meeting** minutes were submitted and approved.

**Financial Update:**

- Expenses have exceeded revenues due to outstanding fall fees. 33% of fall fees are outstanding.
- Statements will go out next week after the Fruit Sale numbers have been finalized.
- All Panthers money has been received. Following is a breakdown of profits from fall fundraisers:
  - \$24,000 Panthers before points
  - \$ 5,000 Go Play Save
  - \$ 2,000 Oyster Roast
  - \$ 2,400 Exhibition
  - \$ 2,700 Verizon

**President's Report:**

- **Executive Secretary and Treasurer Positions:** Our new Treasurer is Margaret Marshall. Bob will now act as only Executive Secretary.
- **Past Due Fees:** We sent out letters last week detailing the amount that is owed by each recipient. Currently we have \$25,000-\$30,000 in unpaid fees. However, it is normal to be behind like this. Many people are waiting on all of their Panthers points to come through before they pay. We are working on collecting this money earlier this year.
- **Region Band 2/22 & 2/23:** We are hosting this event again this year. Hospitality and Concession need homemade goodies and casseroles. We will also need concession workers. Look for emails asking for help. We will be doing this event on our own this year so we need extra help. However, we will keep all of the profits. We will also need help tearing down each room as the students have their concerts.

**Vice President's Report:**

- **Panthers:** We made \$24,000 before points and \$13,500 after money was paid to Athletics and to points. We had such a great season that we were given a choice of stands for next year. We chose to go with stand #112 which is more profitable per person. It is the busiest stand with fewer workers than we needed last year. We may pick up some portables also. We will make the same amount of money as this year using 14 fewer people. This should allow us to operate it ourselves and keep all the profit. A big thank you to all who worked this season.
- **Fundraisers:**

- **Marching Season DVD:** The person that is assisting with printing is on vacation. Therefore, the DVD's will be delayed a few weeks. They are expected to be available in the next week or two.
- **Butter Braid:** We are having a sale the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in February through the 1<sup>st</sup> week in March. They will be delivered March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Look for forms to come home with your student.
- **Chick-fil-A:** Our date is Wed. , February 20<sup>th</sup> from 5-8 We receive 10% profit on all sales. Please come join us
- **Oyster Roast-** The Spring oyster roast will be March 16<sup>th</sup> @ the Field Trial Barn. An email will be sent out shortly about ticket sales.
- **Strawberry Festival:** The dates are May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. This is a good opportunity to make points. We will have more details at the next meeting. Note: This is prom weekend. Therefore, any underclassmen help is greatly appreciated.

### **Band Director's Report:**

- **Region and State Band:** Auditions just ended. 22 students received call backs for State Band. Of those, 18 received a seat or were selected to alternate band. That is tremendous growth. We are up in both the State and Region Bands.
- **1/29 & 1/30 York County Band:** We host this here at NFHS. The concert is at 7PM on 1/30. We will be doing a limited concession sale. This is a trial for us.
- **New Band Room:** The Superintendent wants us to be in the new room by the end of Feb. Right now they are doing painting and finishing work. Then the tile needs to be done. We are getting closer; however do not want them to rush. We want the job to be done correctly.
- **A & B Bands:** Both bands are playing very well. Mr. Dickey is trying to express to the students that we have 2 very good bands in our school. Both bands have students in region band. The students have begun calling the B band the bad band and that is not the case at all. We have more students in the B Band participating in region band than many high schools. Our students should be proud. Also, Band is an honors class for juniors and seniors.
- **Middle Schools:** Mr. Dickey has been to the middle schools to explain how students can fit band into their schedule. He explained the SC Virtual School. All of the classes required to graduate are available online. There are many options to choose from so students can fit everything in. Colleges are looking for extra-curriculars in addition to grades.

### **Committee Updates:**

- **Nominating Committee:** It is time to form the Nominating Committee to select Board Members for next year. Lynne Hall and Theresa Law are the current board members on the committee. We need two volunteers from the Booster Club to be on the committee also. Please see Lynne after the meeting to sign up. Also, anyone interested in being on the board needs to see Lynne or email her: [lmhall@comporium.net](mailto:lmhall@comporium.net).  
**Vacancies:** For sure the Vice-President and VP At- large positions are vacant next year. Also two other At-large positions are vacant for next year. However, anyone can run for any position on the board.

**At-Large:** At –large members come to all board meetings and have a vote. Usually they will take on a project during the year and/or help coordinate something. There are 4 at-large positions and 1 VP at –large position.

**Vice President:** This position is solely responsible for the fundraising. In the past the VP at-large has handled Panthers. However, it does not need to be this way.

**New Business:**

- It was brought up that Panthers is a lot of work for only \$2/hour. It was suggested that the tips earned at a game could be split amongst the workers. Mr. Dickey reiterated that the \$2/hour is the added bonus you receive for working Panthers. The big reward is the reduction in band fees that fundraising provides. Stacy mentioned that the Board is looking into the tips situation.
- The question was asked what percentages of parents work the events: Garrett replied that over ½ of the band students have parents that participate in a fundraiser. 87 Families participated in at least one of our fundraisers. For Panthers 30-35% of band families participated. This year we made 35% more than last year however the larger stand was much more work and stress. That is why we have chosen the smaller stand for next year.
- The question of whether we have ever required every family to participate was asked. That is something that we are looking at. We are always looking at new ways to improve our fundraising/participation. We are currently on a Fair Share Program. The problem is that even though it costs \$1,000/student for band, we cannot charge that. If we started with that figure and offered discounts for working, the cost would be mis-communicated and would discourage some students from participating.

**Announcements:**

- Next Booster Club Meeting-Monday, February 25, 7:00p.m. NFHS Band/Chorus Room

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by  
Lynne Hall