

# Fort Mill District Band Booster Club, Inc.

## May NFHS Booster Club Meeting

Date: Monday, June 27, 2016

Location: Nation Ford Band Room

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Sarah Keenen.

The **May Booster Club Minutes** were approved as submitted by Nicky Ludolph and Lynne Hall.

### **Financial Update:**

- We have received over \$3,500 in band fees in June showing some families are taking advantage of the discount and the PayPal 6 months interest free option.
- There has been a glitch with PayPal that we are working to correct.
- \$35,043.22 checking
- \$8,037.01 savings
- Bob and Margaret will be emailing statements through Charms to everyone so that parents know where they stand.

### **President's Report:** Sarah Keenen

- Crown Event was on June 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - We were busy from 4:30-7:15.
  - Made about \$1,900 final profit from the event.
  - Thank you to all of our volunteers; apologies for having to turn away volunteers for this event, but there will be others to volunteer for.
- AmazonSmiles:
  - The band received an email from AmazonSmiles and we are now set up with an account to accept donations in our name. Directions were sent in an email previously. Sign up through [org.amazon.com](http://org.amazon.com). We are listed as Fort Mill District Band Boosters, Inc.
  - The band receives .5% back for purchases made through AmazonSmiles.
  - This is easy money for the band. Checks are sent quarterly. You can also sign up using your Prime account.
- Charms is up and running.
  - New parents/students can log on initially with the password by using the first three letters of their first name and then the first three letters of their last name, with each first letter being capitalized. (XxxXxx)
  - Through Charms you can check your band finances and fees, points, band calendar and volunteer opportunities.
  - Questions about Charms – contact Margaret Marshall at [nafocharms@gmail.com](mailto:nafocharms@gmail.com)
  - We are working to get PayPal link up and running.
- Music Camp and Guard Camp begin July 18<sup>th</sup>. Come out once band camp starts to hear the kids.

### **Vice Presidents' Report:**

**Restaurant Nights:** Rose Palumbo and Rhonda Holland

- Chic Fil A is set up for September 21.
- Brusters is being finalized – looking for the first week in September. We will have celebrity scoopers.

- Moe's again this year.
- Meeting with Empire Pizza this week.
- Also checking in to adding either BT Burger or Buffalo Wild Wings
- % of sales goes to the band. Events are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday. We make about \$1,200 annually from Restaurant Nights.

### **Mattress Fundraiser:**

- Scheduled for August 20 from 10 am - 5 pm.
- The band room will be turned into a mattress show room. There are lots of choices – all types of beds are set up.
- Flyers will be available at the next meeting.
- Flyer was also sent in previous email from Sarah. Tell your friends. Share on Facebook. This is the #1 way to get this information out.
- Mr. Dickey added that we have done well in the past. The first year we made \$8,000, the second year we made \$9,000, and our goal this third year is \$10,000.
- Mattresses can be delivered to your home. Payment plans are also offered. They also can deliver out of town, depending on location.
- We make \$100 for every mattress sold. Student makes \$25 for each mattress sold when customers give their name.
- We will share all this information with the kids at band camp. There will be a parent meeting before the fundraiser as well.

### **Fundraising Committee:**

- The next meeting is scheduled for 6/30 at 7 pm, here in band room.
- Looking for fundraising ideas for our March to Macy's.

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

- I see lots of new faces. Thank you for coming tonight as this is the least attended meeting of the year.
- Please get involved with the band program. It is a great time to get involved as we want hands on and can use your help in lots of places. We have multiple opportunities to get involved: parking cars, exhibition, etc.
- March to Macy's – exciting opportunity and trip for the band, and we are guaranteed TV time with this parade.
- The Krieger's are coming in to review the financial side of the NAFO Band program to ensure all reports are being done correctly by the treasurer each month, logs are being kept appropriately, and we are following all proper mandates as a 501(c).
- Mr. Dickey reported he was part of the SCMEA (SC Music Education Association) (President Elect) that recently traveled to Washington, DC for the NAFME (National Association for Music Education) Day in support of music education in schools. In addition, he talked about speaking with our representatives about the importance for music education in our schools. Mr. Dickey talked about the McSally Amendment that could cut military band funding. He encouraged us to be proactive as a band by contacting our representatives and to sign petitions not to cut band funding.
- Starting in about 3 weeks we will have Summer Band from 9 am – 1 pm for 2 weeks.
  - Uniform fittings will take place during the afternoons of these 2 weeks. Please let us know if you will be out of town. We will start with seniors on 7/18. Please refer to the schedule. Pack a lunch and something to do while you wait for your fitting.

- We currently have 193 on the roster but we will not end up with that many since people are moving in and out of the school district. This is the most band students we have ever had, and we will probably be around 180 when we are done.
- Medical forms will be sent out and turned back in for band camp.
- Reminded that Grand National housing (hotels) for November may be getting slim and expensive depending on how close you want to stay to the venue. We will be performing Friday at Grand Nationals. Also, Nation Ford Band will be attending BOA in Winston-Salem in October (day trip) and Jacksonville State in Alabama (overnight). He is working on finalizing all the details for the fall band calendar and will get it out soon.

## **Committee Updates:**

### **Hospitality:** Lynne Hall

- Janice Edge-Partington and Karen Berkebile will feed the kids at band camp this year.
- Watch for a Sign-Up Genius link about the time of music camp for baked good and to set up and serve for meals during band camp.
  - Lunch and Dinner will be served Monday-Thursday (August 1-4)
  - Lunch only on Friday (August 5)
  - Time frame is about 11:30 for lunch volunteers and 4:30-5 for dinner volunteers – included in sign up genius.
- Lynne said she will be feeding the kids on the road and is looking for help for meals on Saturday practice. She only uses a small committee to help on the road.
- We are asking again this year for donations of baked goods for meal days and water donations. We use 50-60 cases of water on a competition day. Asking for each family to donate 1 case of water.
- Last year during band camp we did a potato bar. We will not be working with Wendy's this year and are looking for a vendor to cook about 225 potatoes. Asking parents to bake potatoes will be a last resort.

### **Band Store:** Nicky Ludolph

- The Band Store is scheduled to open after the show shirts have been taken care of.
- Items the store will sell include chaperone shirts, hats, other items similar to the past, etc.
- Nicky is going to look into the yard signs.
- Reminder to all that one t-shirt is included in the students band fees but having a second t-shirt is recommended. Show t-shirts and hoodies are only offered on a pre-order basis initially in the season. Mr. Dickey reminded us that this year is a year when we are apt to wear hoodies longer, due to our schedule.

### **Pit Crew:** Ron Hall

- Please get involved with the pit crew – you are welcome to help when you can and there are no specific time requirements. If you have questions, please email Ron Hall at [ronaldhall@comporium.net](mailto:ronaldhall@comporium.net).
- We are excited about the design of the props – looking to Lowe's to maybe help us out with a discount or donation on materials.

### **Uniforms:** Nancy Minnix

- Schedule has gone out with the fitting schedule. Nancy asks if you cannot make your scheduled time to please email her.

- This year's group is a large group to fit with average of 20-25 students per day. Upperclassmen fittings are a bit easier, but please be patient with the process.
- Guard has been fitted for their uniforms.
- Sending out a Sign Up Genius looking for helpers to assist with fitting.
- Watch for another bill for Dinkles (shoes) and gloves since these two items are not included in band fees. Students will need compression shorts and tall black socks to wear with their uniforms. Everyone except percussion will need to purchase gloves if they don't own them already. Cost for gloves should be around \$5 and cost of shoes should be around \$25.

**Chaperones:** Leigh Burrell

- Shout out to Nicky Ludolph and the rest of the band for the new monogrammed chaperone bags.
- We need help during band camp. There will be a Sign Up Genius for 3 shifts. Watch for it in the email from Sarah. There will also be an email going out asking for donations of first aid supplies.
- You do not need first aid experience to work in the first aid tent. Leigh will be there all week as well as a nurse. No siblings allowed.
- Medical Form is due no later than the last day of music camp. Please make notes of dietary restrictions, allergies, medications. Please no dairy the week of band camp.

**New Business:**

No new business at this time.

Next Booster Club Meeting will be Monday, July 25 at 7:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.  
Minutes respectfully submitted by  
*Gretchen Whitesell*