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Present: 13
Last Name First Name

Angeline Vincent Chen Donna Chen Min Fasciano Jen Charlie Hopta Dana McDermott McGrew Dawn O'Rourke Cathy Parliyan Alexa Patuto Jen Jeff Romano Smith Karen Wallace Susan

Guest Speaker: Susan Fellin from Pampered Chef

Motion to open meeting at 7:01 p.m. made by Jen; seconded by Dana. Quick introductions around the group were made, as it is the first meeting of the year. Motion to approve June meeting minutes made by Jen; seconded by Dana.

Faculty Report – Mr. Hopta

Spring Trip to Williamsburg VA

All music students are invited to travel to Williamsburg, VA from April 30 to May 3 this school year. We are currently in Tour Operator talks to decide pricing and estimate the cost will be approximately \$800/student. We want to work with NHMA to help with fundraising, as we would like

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each student (we estimate 125 students will go) to be able to raise the money they need. We will have the official decision from the BOE in two weeks. The role of the NHMA will be to manage some part of the fundraising.

Faculty Report – Mr. Angeline

Marching Band

Very good start to the year. The new uniforms were distributed and all fit well, although we do need to hem some of the pants. Our field debut was this past Friday, and we did the entire show. This week we are away in Somerville at Immaculata. Currently working on the big scenery for the coming weeks. We will be taking about 40 students bowling after the October 5 game at Scotch Plains. Looking forward to a great year ahead!

Questions

- ➤ How many people come to Freshman Tea? We are rallying up a team because our chairperson had an injury. **About 100**.
- ➤ How many parents can attend the Columbus Day parade? 12, with a bias toward senior parents.
- Can you send to Jeff the packing list of things that go on the truck?
 Yes
- What is the best way to communicate with students for the fundraisers? Email sent home is the best way.

Corresponding Secretary Report – Susan Wallace

• Sent a note to Stacy James to get well soon. First official note sent!

Treasurer Report – Alexa Parliyan

2019-2020 Proposed Budget
 Alexa passed out a hard copy.
 Jen motions to accept the budget, Jeff seconds. Group all agrees.

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• TOTAL ACCOUNTS BALANCE as of September 1, 2019:

Checking Account: \$ 7,888.59

Gaming Account: \$ 1,409.94

Total: \$ 9,298.53

Fundraising Report - Jen Fasciano

New possibilities

Pampered Chef – Guest Presenter Susan Fellin, PC consultant in business for 20 years, presented a fundraising option for us to consider to help with the spring trip (as well as some delicious PC munchies!). Most of her programs are done solely through her website. Each child would get a percentage of what they sell. Each month there is a special for anyone who sells over \$80. Most groups run it for one month, and it is best in the fall for holiday shopping. Most groups make over \$1k. Delivery can be direct ship or sent to school. In the end, Susan will produce a spreadsheet showing how much each student made. This might be a good fit, and October would be a good month to do this.

- Cheesecake Dawn McGrew Company is David's Cookies. We could do this twice, once before Thanksgiving and once before Christmas. This is also an individual, student-centered fundraiser to be used for spring trip. Will need to talk to Pomptonian to get some freezer space for delivery at school. Dawn will contact them and check with Mr. A. Jen will fill out required forms for this and Pampered Chef.
- ➤ Shammy Shine Alexa We would sell cards for increments of \$10 each and a certain percentage comes back to us. We would get orders ahead of time, buy the cards then, and sell them at events.
- > Make a craft and sell it (i.e. a wreath). Kids could help, and we could sell at winter concerts with poinsettias.

Oldies But Goodies

➤ Applebee's Flapjack – we will do this one again! Kids get service hours for participating. Jen will set up for Saturday, December 14.

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- Stadium Seat Cushions No need to re-order, as we have plenty. This brings in a couple hundred dollars.
- Amazon Smile Program Little tiny amounts add up. Please register! Will send out to our membership.
- ➤ Homecoming Coat Check October 12 Need 4 volunteers. \$1 per hanger, kids get a ticket. Jen will put it out to total membership to get volunteers to run it. Jeff, Susan, Donna may be able to help. Should announce to kids during school to bring a dollar for it. (Maren)

Membership Report - Alexa Parliyan

• Currently up to 36 members. Freshman Tea will bring in more members.

Open/New Business - Jen Fasciano

- <u>Freshman Tea</u> Monday, September 23
 We need volunteers! Jen will send out sign-up sheets. Jen F, Jen P,
 Alexa, and Jeff will help. We do have some stuff from Stacy. Shop-Rite
 donation came in today to be used for food and drinks. Cathy reached
 out to Frank Brenckle and he will donate some cakes. Food should be
 more like grab and go since that is easier and less messy. We will have a
 table for membership there as well.
- Open Committee/Chairperson Positions 2019/2020

Still looking for Raffles Chairperson

Commitment is one to two football games and some paperwork. Upcoming 50/50 Raffle during 7th/8th Grade Band/Senior Night will be October 25 (Need volunteer – Alexa can be there)

Fall Newsletter

Volunteer needed for 2020-2021. Jen will talk to Kathy. Mike Ricketts is still taking all the pictures.

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Third Quarter Snacks

We have lots of helpers and great turnouts. We do need some people earlier (3:30 - 5:00 PM time frame). Jen will send out request to membership. Mostly need help to pass out pizza and drinks, along with icing the drinks earlier. The kids eat at 4:15 PM.

Band Parent Shirts

Jeff has collected sizes. Jen will order. Cost is \$32.

Recent Events – Jen Fasciano

- Marching Band Camp
 - Jeff wants to find the bandanas! All events went well pizza party, refreshments, Band-Aids, Friday performance. Thanks to all who helped!
- <u>Marching Band Uniform Distribution</u>
 Joann thanks everyone who helped. She comes in once a week to help out with hems on pants.
- <u>Meet the Teachers Nights</u> Thanks to Donna and Jeff for manning the table.

Upcoming Events

- Freshman Tea September 23
- Homecoming Coat Check October 12
- Columbus Day Parade October 14
- 7th/8th Grade Band/Senior Night with 50/50 Raffle October 25

Updates & Information

- Volunteer HIB Training: http://goo.gl/forms/0YiEbxF0W6
- Important Dates
 - Freshman Tea September 23
 - Columbus Day Parade October 14

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- > NJ State High School Band Festival October 19
- Marching Band Banquet December 4
- ➤ Clinton Christmas Parade December 6
- Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser TBD
- 2019 2020 Meeting Dates
 9/10, 10/8, 11/5, 1/7, 2/4, 3/10, 4/7, 5/5, 6/1

Open Forum/Roundtable

- Jeff: Can we purchase some flashlights for safety? Need three with orange cones on top and a battery-operated lantern for the shed.
- Alexa: Jody at Dream Dinners sent note of thanks and the \$110 check for our fundraiser night event.
- Connie: Sent a thank you note for bracelet

Next Meeting: October 8, 2019

7:00 PM, Band Room

Motion to close meeting made by Jen at 8:29 p.m.; seconded by Dana.

Minutes prepared by: Dana McDermott