

Ferndale Band Booster Meeting
May 7th 2020

Start at 6:30

In Attendance: Penny Walker, Jennifer Peterson, Wendy Burnett, Sarah Leonard, Steve Menefee. (Via ZOOM): Tricia Bravener, Holly McClellan-Tedrow, Ashley Slocome, Michelle Jones, Katie Little, Melissa Welch, Denise Saxman.

Reading of the Minutes: *April meeting was canceled due to Covid-19 closures.* Michelle read the minutes from the March meeting. Tricia approved and Holly second.

Directors Report: Students have been getting assignments via Canvas. The kids have been great about getting stuff turned in. They have been doing a lot of music theory which they can't always get to in class. Steve has been keeping current with skyward. Audition music is going out for Wind Ensemble. For registration, kids will need to sign up for the class they are currently in and adjustment can be made if necessary. Band auditions will be done online this year, Mr. Menefee will be letting the kids know the process. We are moving forward with planning of the 2020 fall marching band season as usual.

Treasures Report: It has been a slow couple of months. Jennifer has been checking the mail but nothing has been coming in. We had an issue with the check from the Whatcom Foundation going missing. It looks like it was sent to the high school back in January but it never made it to the band. They are putting a stop payment on the check and reissuing a new one that will be sent directly to the band boosters. As a reminder, if you would like to know what is in your students account please email the band.

Committee Reports

- **Uniforms:** We have not been able to get into the uniform room to finish with taking the light off the uniforms due to the shutdown. The uniforms (Concert and Marching) will need to be washed once we can get them.
- **Volunteers:** Nothing to report.
- **Sponsorship:** Will be getting together this weekend to send letters to the current sponsors.
- **Fundraising:** We had planned on doing Butter braids in time for Mother's Day but it didn't happen due to the shutdown.

Old Business:

- **Disneyland May 2021**

New Business:

- **Senior Recognition:** We will be recognizing our band seniors in the first week of June. We will have Facebook post with a blurb about each of the graduates. The senior keychains will be mailed to the kids. Steve will get a list of names and address to Katie so she can get those sent.
- **Scholarships:** The deadline for the scholarship was extended to May 15th. More information can be obtained through the FHS Career Center. This scholarship is not through the boosters.
- **8th Graders:** We have not had the concerts this spring that usually have to get information to the 8th grade parents. We will be getting in touch with Sarah to have her email a welcome packet to the 8th grade parents.
- **Band Camp:** Band camp will be August 17-21 and 24-28 (the last 2 weeks of August). We are moving forward with planning as usual. The Band fee will be \$185 and will be payable to the

ASB office. Registration will be August 12th. The boosters will let everyone know times as we coordinate with the ASB.

- **Levy Vote:** The vote is in November. We do expect to feel the effects of the pervious levy not passing. There could be some issue with transportation.
- **Trinkets & Treasures:** We moved to an online registration last year that worked well. We are looking at streamlining the process to cut down on confusion on what a vendor is selling so like vendors do not end up next to each other. A thought would be to have a drop-down option for the type of crafts. There is also discussion of having the vendor send a photo of their items with their applications. One of the things we are trying to figure out is if the vendor could choose their space. We could put a map up but we would have to figure out how to remove options when they have been filled. Another option would be to have “premium” spaces, or pay extra to choose their spot. We would have to contact the vendor individually to discuss what is available. This may just complicate the process. Penny and Holly will get together with Katie to help plan.
- **New Officers:** Tricia is leaving the board. Katie, Wendy and Jennifer are up for reelection. The new position would be a 2-year commitment. There are Booster meetings every month except in July. July through November are the busiest times. Sarah Leonard is voted in as the new board member. Denice Saxman is interested for next year.

Next meeting: August 6th, 6:30 pm at Holly’s house. (only small group meeting until then)

End: 7:43pm