

Ferndale Band Boosters  
September 5, 2019

**Start at 6:32**

**Attendance:** Michelle Jones, Kim Kuehnel, Elli McAllister, Katie Little Holly McClellan-Tedrow, Laurie Pederson, Wendy Bernett, Tricia Bravener, Ashleigh Slocomb, Kristy Russell, Kendell Burnett, Penny Walker, Melissa Welch

**Reading of Minutes:** Michelle read the minutes. Tricia approved and Kattie 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Director's report:** Steve is at a conference today but sent in a report read by Katie. Band camp was a huge success! The staff has enjoyed this particular crop of students who seem to be hungrier for excellence this year. We are ahead of the game on many levels – props, uniforms, music, drill – and we're excited to perform at our first game this year.

I want to thank everyone of you who has contributed to the preparation of this year's show in various ways. Many of you have given hours too many to count that has been a tremendous support to the kids.

Show t-shirts should be in soon. Students must submit a video of themselves playing their music by memory in order to earn their shirt

**Treasure's report:** Checking is at \$17276.52. and savings is at \$43741.61. Its been a busy month. Transferred funds to directors account from graduated student accounts. There is \$70.50 in outstanding checks. We spent 679.41 in food for band camp. We have received \$1668.46 from Trinkets & Treasures. We paid \$548.90 for new band tires for the band trailer. Paid \$2700 for drill for the show. We have spent about \$4700 on props and we are not even close to being done with paying for props at this time.

**Committee Reports**

- **Uniforms:** we have shoes, pants and shakos. We have a lot of small freshman but a lot of big pants. New pants and jackets have been ordered and are on the way. We are working on completing a full inventory of uniforms. All the compition kids have jackets but pep band and parade kids will have to go without for a while.
- **Volunteers:** there is a chance we could be doing concession for the first football game. We will find out for sure from Steve. Signups will go out for that as well as for football games and upcoming competitions.
- **Communication:** Nothing to report. The boosters will continue to work on the web site. Will also work on filing information on Facebook so the information is easier to find.
- **Sponsorship:** Trailer looks great. The bill is still on the way for the logos. The sponsorship program will continue to grow.
- **Fundraising:** Butter braids is coming up for the kids to earn money for their own account. It will be sometime in October. Information will be going out as soon as we have more deatils. The next big fundraiser will be Trinkets & Treasures. We already have 44 vendors signed up. We have switched to an online form that has allowed new vendors to signed up. People are requesting the 1<sup>st</sup> gym. To possible accomodate more venders we can maybe have the kids play in the second gym only and use the space in the first gym for vendors. Will talk to Kim Lincoln about having a holiday photo

booth. For the future we will look into a way for a vendor to pick their own spot like an airplane. If T&T continues to grow, we may need to look into charging more for premium spots. We may have to look into using a booster or a hotspot for the day for internet usage. There is a possibility of a basketball or volleyball game the Friday before that will interfere with vendors setting up. We won't know for sure until October.

## **Business**

Registration was the smoothest so far. Everyone was fitted by the end of the night

Band camp went really well. We only had to send 4 kids home sick. The freshmen were amazing. We didn't have any breakdowns until Lutherwood. Remind the kids that we are all a team. We have to do all of this together.

Prop trailer: WRS will be donating a trailer. Will be similar to the one we have used in the past. We got a quote for the prop graphics decal for \$3200. Steve has a labor-intensive idea. We are waiting for an estimation for a stencil. We may just create our own stencil and paint the props.

Senior head shots link is on the kids facebook page. Due to privacy, we will not post on the web page. Email band for information on accessing the photos.

Band practice. Is from 5-8 or 8:30. The end time is a little fluid due to the lighting issues. Sectionals are before practice and called by section leaders.

## **New business.**

The equipment trailer tires were slashed. The incident was reported to the police. The incident was caught on camera and the people involved have been caught. The trailer is owned by the boosters and we are in the process of determining repercussions for those involved.

We have 4 football games coming up. Anyone volunteering will get a lanyard to get in for free. The boosters t-shirt will not get you in for free. We need help with handing out uniforms, handing out the plumes, and setting up drum major stands. Parents will be needed in the stands to keep the kids in check, and oversee the water jugs. A signup will be going out for each job needed.

Competitions are listed on the site. We have 3 this year. One that we have gone to in the past is the same time as homecoming so we will not be going this year. We always need help for comps. Volunteers will get into the comp for free.

Homecoming game will be with the 8<sup>th</sup> graders and we will have a tailgate dinner for all of them. Rumor is Mel Hanson will be making burgers for the kids.

The Tumwater competition is a 2-day trip. We will leave Friday in the morning, practice in Everett and then have a fun time down in Olympia with the competition on Saturday.

The band exhibition at Civic Field will not be happening This year. Civic field is booked. It's not completely off the table but it doesn't look good.

Disney land: will ne the 2021 rough estimate would \$850-\$1000 per kid (compared to when we went in 2017). You can add funds to your students band account. We have had kids pay for the trip

through fundraising. Opportunities for kids to raise money will be coming up. Keep an eye out for that. The board will work on sending out information regarding the Disney trip.

**Next meeting:** October 3, 2019 at 6:30pm in the band room

**End 7:45**

**Important Dates**

**Football Games**

**September 13<sup>th</sup>**

**September 27<sup>th</sup>**

**October 4<sup>th</sup>**

**October 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Competitions**

**October 5<sup>th</sup>:** Music in Motion (Everett)

**October 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>:** Tumwater Festival of Bands

**November 9<sup>th</sup>:** Auburn Veterans Day Competition

**Trinkets and Treasures**

**November 2<sup>nd</sup> @ FHS Gym**