

NMB Meeting Minutes
01/10/2022 at 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER at 7:02 PM

OFFICERS PRESENT:

President: Shelly McCartney (also BOD member)
Vice President 1: Steve Harriman
Treasurer: May Gallagher
Assistant Treasurer: Danielle Harriman
Secretary: Michelle Singer
Publicity Director: Carol Bushey
Ways & Means: Liz Kuzma
Assistant Ways & Means: Jill Sprigg
Excused: Brian Falck, Heather Waybright

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Kris Garverick

GENERAL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ted Singer
Kale Stone
Mike Gallagher

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Mrs. Sheri Henry (Indoor Program)
Mr. Andrew Sheffer (HS Band)

APPROVAL OF OLD MINUTES:

1st – Steve Harriman, 2nd – Sheri Henry

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS:

Mrs. Alison Ometz (MS Music and Choir):

- Musical Rehearsals for 'Schoolhouse Rock Live Jr.' is underway. 90% of dialogue is singing, so most of January will be spent on harmonies.
- Musical Parent Meeting on Wednesday at 6:30 in the NMS auditorium.
- Select Choir will be singing at Hershey Bears game at 7:00 PM on January 29th. They are very excited for the opportunity.
- Money is being collected for shirts and tickets this week and thank you to the Boosters in advance for helping with the final costs.
- New Messiah full time student teacher, Ms. Miller, will be starting end of the month.

Mrs. Karla Silbaugh (Elem. Music and Chorus):

- Wants to recognize and thank Shelly McCartney for speaking at the Elem. concert. Emphasized the importance of early parent involvement.

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Mrs. Laura Bissel (HS Chorus and Musical): HS Chorus

- National Anthem Project singers sang at Hershey Bears game Jan. 8th
- Musical rehearsals are underway. Sets are coming along. Feb. 18th is a Musical Showcase at Mech BIC. Many area schools will be featuring a few songs from their musicals including Northern.
? Ticket/Stream performances
- PMEA District Chorus is Feb. 11-12th at a Chambersburg HS. Addy Lusk is going as Tenor 1
- Spring Choral Concert is May 19th; changed due to prom.
- Bear singers are singing at Hbg Senators game May 28th

Mrs. Sheri Henry (Indoor program):

- Indoor Guard/Percussion: Groups are in full swing with practices.
- Guard Units will go to Central Dauphin on 1/22 for a preview show. Will include a Judges only critique.
- Shows are being finalized; schedule will go out in the indoor newsletter on 1/10.
- Uniforms, flags, and equipment have been or are being ordered and props are beginning to be made.
- Home show (TIA) is on April 9th - Counting Northern's 3 teams, we have 34 units coming. Registration is capped with a Waitlist. We have units competing in winds, dance, twirling, guard, and percussion.
- Indoor Committee meeting the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month.
- April 23rd – TIA Championships – Northern may host.
- KIDA Championships is weekend before our home show.
- Indoor Schedule:
 - 1/22 – CD Preview Show (Guards only)
 - 1/29 – Greencastle Antrim – KIDA (Guard only)
 - 2/12 – Hershey – TIA (Guard only)
 - 2/19 – Lower Dauphin – KIDA (Guard only)
 - 2/26 – Lower Dauphin – TIA (All Teams)
 - 3/12 – Mechanicsburg – KIDA (All Teams)
 - 3/19 – Hempfield – KIDA (Varsity Guard & Percussion)
 - 3/26 – Red Land – KIDA (All Teams)
 - 4/2 – Chambersburg – KIDA Championships (Guards only)
 - 4/3 – Chambersburg – KIDA Championships (Percussion only)
 - 4/9 – Home show – TIA
 - 4/23 – TIA Championships

Mr. Andrew Sheffer (HS Band):

- Chad and Andy met with Mr. Lehman re: budget. Asked for \$80,000, which was same amount from 3 years ago. HS MB staff will now contract with District for staff contracts. Boosters will cover drill, etc.; end budgetary amount will be about an even swap.
- District Band 1/28 & 1/29 – 2 students participating.
- Honors Band 2/4 & 2/5 – 6 students for band, 1 for jazz band. Will rehearse Friday prior. Must wear masks and bell covers.
- States level – students are required to be vaccinated to participate.
- Musical Pit – mostly in-house with 4 music faculty, Michael Thomas, Beth McLean, and students.
- Jazz Band – up and running. Looking for Festivals to perform. Spring Grove Festival in April.

- Concert Band and Wind Ensemble – gearing up for Spring performances. Wind Ensemble students chose music; many good songs picked. May consider doing a separate concert in late Spring.

INDOOR BUDGET:

- Salaries covered with money in District Budget. 3 guard instructors, 5 percussion instructors and a drill writer. Michael & Shawn writing music. Guard instructors writing show – have not charged for service in the past 3 years.
- Rental fees – go over \$2,000 budget every year. Get \$2,000 from district. Must gas up rentals w/ Indoor Acct.
- Supplies – PO with district approved for \$500 at Home Depot.
- Requesting Budget \$4,800.
 - Motion to approve made by Steve Harriman
 - Motion approved by majority vote.

TREASURER REPORT:

****Please select 'Friends and Family' option when using PayPal to make purchases to avoid fees!****

Student accounts are up to date on Booster Website. Any questions contact May.

Treasurer's Report was made available to attendees for discussion and review.

- Disney Acct. Beginning and Ending Balance = \$3,067.30
- Reserve Acct. Beginning and Ending Balance = \$9,627.19 includes Credit Card rewards
- Indoor Acct. Beginning Balance = \$5,834.07. Ending Balance = \$5,785.69
- Student Accts. Beginning Balance = \$13,946.58. Ending Balance = \$13,579.73
- Primary Acct. Beginning Balance = \$34,838.92. Ending Balance = \$19,495.01
- Scholarship Fund Balance = \$1,059.00
- PayPal Acct. Current Balance = \$447.00
- Credit Card Current Balance = \$0.00

Approval of Treasurer's Report: 1st – Carol Bushey, 2nd Steve Harriman

- Donations received during the Winter concerts will be transferred to the Scholarship account.

MARKETING REPORT:

- **Publicity:** Graphic with concert dates posted to Facebook. Positive feedback received, will do again in Spring for all concerts.
- Booster table at winter concerts: Success. Ornaments sold at several concerts. Poster with current NMB activities displayed. Donation jar set out. Flowers/candy grams sold at Elem. concert; flowers sold at MS Chorus concert. Candy and flower sales at least \$90. Suggestion to pre-sell bouquets for spring concerts.
- Beginning mid-January or early February, NMB Sponsors will be recognized daily.
- **Marching Band Update:** Championships 11/13/21 at Hershey Park Stadium. High Music Award and 3rd place overall. Band Banquet held 11/19/21 at Liberty Forge.
- Centralize Facebook groups? Need to learn who is admin for each group.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Disney Trip: Form received from Travel agent with COVID policy. Andy will discuss w/ District regarding response if a student is ill on trip.
 - Steve Harriman suggested a BOD meeting to review form and consider signing.

- Medical and Permission forms due.
- Travel agency working up options for re-pricing due to decreased participation since original trip was booked.

SCHOLARSHIP: Donations from concerts - \$164.00.

FUNDRAISERS:

- Holiday gift card sale raised approx. \$345.00.
- Jeff's Jams and Jellies – few student participants. Was a student acct. event.
- No January fundraisers.
- ? Hanging basket Fundraiser w/ Taylors in the Spring.
- Ornaments being sold at SixNorth.

ONGOING BUSINESS:

- Mike Gallagher researched tractor/UTV expense.
 - 1 John Deere tractor was donated. It is a smaller tractor and will not be able to handle a large load, but he believes it will run well and we are very appreciative of the gift.
 - UTV – ramp to trailer is too narrow, would need to rebuild wider ramp.
 - New larger tractor will run \$6,000-\$8,000, will pull more carts.
 - 1st option – Used tractor, 20 years old John Deere for \$3,000 – will not fit ramp
 - 2nd option – 2009 model, \$3,000
 - Thrivent will donate \$1,000 toward purchase, asking to have tractor wrapped w/ advertisement.
 - Will need more time to figure out ramp.
- Positive feedback received on Booster Facebook page from a spectator (Northern Band alum.) who was at Hershey Bears game Saturday. Complimented the students who sang the National Anthem at the hockey game.
- Successful in-person holiday concert season!
- Website: recent error message fixed; should we consider hiring a "webmaster" for a yearly overhaul/picture update/help alleviate strain on volunteer webmaster? Shelly asked Jessica (current website designer) for a fee to upkeep the website.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: 1st – Carol Bushey, 2nd – Michelle Singer

Meeting adjourned at 8:54PM

UPCOMING MEETINGS: MEETINGS HELD 2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

2/14/22

3/14/22

4/11/22 (Election of Officers)

5/9/22

6/13/22 (End of year meeting)

No July meeting

August 2022 – date TBD – will start 2022-2023 year

*****Order of discussion during meeting not reflected in minutes.

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