

WDHS Band Parents General Meeting - 8/3/09

- Meeting was called to order at 8:10 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance
- Introduction of offices
 - 1st Vice President in charge of Fundraising – Jill Magill
 - 2nd Vice President in charge of membership – Maureen Singiser
 - Treasurer – Rose Rossiter
 - Corresponding Secretary – Bonnie Dawson
 - Recording Secretary – Amy Stewart
- Sign-up sheets are being passed around the room
 - We need people to donate food for Band Camp parents day on August 25th
 - We need people to help out during band season – baking, sewing, etc
 - We need help (lots of it) for Cavalcade (our home show) – concession, ticket sales, program sales, parking, crowd control, etc
 - PLEASE sign up to help during the season.
- Treasurer's report given by Rose Rossiter – We only have about \$800 on hand – PLEASE SELL ADS. We need them for the programs and to bolster our general fund.
- Band Camp fee for this year - \$250
- Fundraising – Jill Magill
 - Fundraisers are not required. However, they do put money in the student's account to be used for band shoes, band camp and the big Music department trip in June.
 - During September and October – we will be selling candles and CD's.
 - We will have a hoagie sale on 9/26 and 10/17. Those are the days we have 2 competitions. The parents do not have to make the hoagies, just pick them up at the school and deliver them. Forms will be coming out soon.
 - Cinderella cheesecakes will be sold at the end of October and beginning of November. The delivery for the cheesecakes will be the Tuesday before Thanksgiving.
 - Pops and Pasta will be in March.
 - We may do a Chick-Fil-A cheesecake fundraiser. The fundraiser would be the band students selling coupons to people. They would then be able cash in the coupon at any Chick-Fil-A.
 - We will also be selling ponchos and umbrellas with a WD logo on them at the concession stand.
- Day camp starts August 17th
- Band Camp start August 23rd and the kids return home on August 27th.
- There will be an ice cream social on August 28th after the kids perform some of the show for the parents. This will start at 7 pm.
- Band Camp Food
 - PLEASE sign-up to donate some food for parents day at band camp
 - We ask for specific things because we need to feed a lot of people.
 - If your child likes something specific, by all means, bring that too.
- Concession stand – we will need some people to work in concession stand during the football games. If you are available some of the Friday nights we have home games, we would love to have the help.

- Home show/Cavalcade
 - This is the first show of marching band season.
 - The date is 9/19 and the start time is 5 pm.
 - Lots of different committees are needed for the show.
 - Parking – we need about 15 people and we need chairperson too.
 - Sales committee – buttons, braids, beads and grams (air, water, candy and flowers) and spirit wear
 - Concession stand – we need 10 people.
 - Judges food – sign up for food next month. We need people to help serve and clean up after the judges and band directors.
 - Tickets and Program sales
 - Decoration committee – the trophy stand and the cafeteria
 - Runners – usually middle school kids – run from the judges stand to the cafeteria to deliver tapes.
 - Crowd control – Great job for the freshman parents- allow movement of traffic (people) only when the band is not playing
 - Basket Auction – need 4 people
- From Mr. Kershaw
 - Thanks for setting up the chairs 😊
 - General information
 - We are a Group III band. We are only 3 members smaller than last year.
 - ACC is November 1st for TOB (Tournament of Bands) . The competition will be at Hershey Park Stadium this year.
 - Color guard uniform is on the website – check it out.
 - Website – News tab – contact form – anything you type in the form will go to Mr. Kershaw.
 - Band Camp deposit of \$100 was due last week. We wanted to try and split the payments up this year.
 - If anything is preventing the payment – let Mr. Kershaw know. Situations are different. Let him know and he will work with you.
 - Permission form will go out this week for Band Camp.
 - Medical release forms – basic info – gives permission to go to hospital if necessary. It does not be completed by a physician.
 - Band Camp newsletter – hope to get this out this week.
 - Prop crew – will use blocks this year. Students can carry on and off the field. We will need some people to build cubes and paint them. Props will look nice but will not go overboard this year.
 - Props will not need to be ready by camp.
 - No battery percussion instructor right now. The kids are leading with Mr. Kershaw helping.
 - Board of Education notes – staff members are not correct in the BOE notes. They have the list from last year instead of this year.

- Any questions or concerns let Mr. Kershaw know. There is some injury/pain involved in Band. It is a sport and like any other sport, his concerns are knees and ankles. You can talk to Mr Kershaw during or after rehearsal.
 - This is a great turnout. Thanks.
 - Home show/Cavalcade
 - Currently there are 13 bands
 - 4 Group I
 - 2 Group II
 - 7 Group II
 - We will be doing both USSBA and TOB competitions this year
 - We are going to Upper Darby – large school and will compete against Abington and other large schools including Washington Township.
 - May go to USSBA championships after ACC's for opportunity to play in a big stadium.
 - Brick – the bands will work together then there will be a show that night at Brick. Brick is a group II and the defending champs.
 - Is there a calendar? Yes, it is on the website. There is a schedule through December.
 - Homecoming schedule – this will require some work. Since there might be appointments for hair and nails. May not schedule anything but may have to because Chapters are the next day.
 - Spirit wear – can order tonight or can download the order form from website.
 - Program books are available to take them to people to show them what they look like.
 - If you need a letter for the business to donate something for the basket auction, please let Dee know.
 - Band Camp Parents Day food – please bring to school by 9:30 am. **DO NOT LEAVE ANY FOOD IN THE SCHOOL.** Or you can give it to someone who is going to go if you can't make it. We have a cooler to put hot food in and one for cold food. We will have sterno there to warm food or keep it warm. Hot Dogs – these will get cooked when we get to camp.
 - Kids can bring just about anything to band camp but they have to carry it.
 - Report at 9:30 am on Sunday at Oakview to leave for band camp. The buses will leave at 11 am.
 - No monster/Energy drinks. The students cannot have them during the band season.
 - Band jackets – The school contributes \$75 to each jacket. Waiting to pay the balance. If the band wins a championship the school buys a jacket just like any other sport.
- Motion to adjourn given by Rose and seconded by Terri Wallowitch.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Stewart