

## Music Boosters Meeting 9/20/2022

- Issues connecting to Google Meet
  - Will future meetings continue under the mboosters gmail account or a different account?
- Introduction of Officers
  - President and Secretary are open (next day the president role was filled by Tony DiOrrio.
  - Additional needs:
    - High School Band/Choir Reps
    - Middle School Band Choir/Reps
    - Lower School Band Choir/Reps
    - EEC? Typically not filled but a rep would be appreciated.
- Teacher Updates
  - Mr. Forney
    - 4th Grade Band starts in October. Information forms are out. Next week during H period, 4th graders can come check out instruments again.
    - Mr. Forney is using a new curriculum for MS and HS and is very pleased with it.
    - Marching Band is going well. We were encouraged to come check out the halftime show.
    - There was a question about the wind ensemble trip. That is happening and information will be coming in the future.
  - Ms. Boone
    - Women's ensemble time is starting next Monday at 6:30. The men's ensemble has already started meeting. More males would be appreciated as 25 graduated last year.
    - EEC Music: the kids are learning a steady beat and how to use singing voices
    - General Music: Body Percussion and music from different cultures.
    - Glee Club: 25 students are officially signed up, more are unofficially signed up. Will hopefully meet back on Thursday.
    - Ukelele club starts in October and will meet Wednesdays during H period. Order forms will be coming soon for purchasing a ukelele.
  - Mrs. Davis
    - She has a new position as Department Head, does more work on the administrative and board side. Also runs the Caravel social media pages.
    - She has worked on grants. Last year, she received a grant for the department to get a saxophone from Anthony Penna Foundation. This year, they are applying for a grant from the Anthony Penna Foundation to get USB Keyboards (hopefully 40). Additionally, the Anthony Penna foundation had extra instruments and Mr. Forney took a Jupiter Trombone for the department.

- Morgan Wallace will be directing the spring play this year. Dates and show information will be coming in the future.
    - Electrosound has been retained for the Fine Art Festivals. They have been used the last few years. The Winter Dates are set for December 13 (EEC and LS), 14 (MS), and 15 (US). The Spring Dates are May 16 (LS), 17 (MS), and 18 (US). The spring dates changed due to AP Exams. An interpreter might be needed.
  - Mrs. Busovsky
    - Beginning Choir has 63 kids this year (26 in 5th grade and 37 in 6th grade). Middle School Choir has 45 kids (22 in 7th grade and 23 in 8th grade). Little Bucs has 68 kids (36 in 3rd grade and 32 in 4th grade).
      - Little Bucs are currently meeting on Mondays during H period (3rd grade) and Tuesdays during H period (4th grade). In November, all choirs will be brought together to practice for the Winter FAF.
    - The lower school theme this year is “A Minion Reasons to Love Music.” They love the bulletin board and are doing minion themed activities.
    - ACDA Honor choir auditions are in November.
    - All State information will be sent to students in the next week or so. This is for students in 7th-12th grade.
- Treasurer’s Report
  - Currently about \$10,000 in the checking account. About \$2,000 came from the recent resale.
  - The boosters hold a resale twice a year and receive clothing donations year round.
- Homecoming (10/21)
  - This is a big event for alumni as well as students. Alumni and parents come and can play stand music with the marching band.
  - There is an alumni social media group that is very popular. The homecoming event is or will be sent out through that.
  - Boosters would like to do something special for the alumni, perhaps hand out a keychain, koozie, or some other sort of hospitality.
  - Alumni from choir sing the national anthem.
  - Marching band performs the pre-game show since the homecoming court is the halftime show.
  - Food trucks were approved and will be at the game. They will be selling from 5:30-8:00. They will not sell hot dogs or hamburgers as to not compete with the concession stands.
    - Currently have a catering truck, campfire pizza truck, and Sweet Josephines for desserts. Geralyn is waiting to hear back from Masala Kitchen.
    - The trucks will be lined up in the walkway to get to the game so they cannot be missed.
    - A portion of the sales will be donated back to the school and will be split between the music and football boosters. We are hoping for 10%.

- Planning to give people who purchase tickets a wristband or stamp so they can go in and out from the stadium to buy food.
  - Additionally, we want to improve advance communication to let parents know the concessions will be there. Additionally, we want to ensure the visiting school is aware of concessions and that they can buy. Signs will also be posted on the visitor's side directing them to the concessions.
  - Mrs. Broehl is the head of alumni and will put the news out about the food trucks.
  - We also need to ask Mrs. Tait for WIFI information for the trucks to help ones who may not have the capability for extra cellular connections.
- Veteran's Day Game (11/11)
  - This game will coincide with Senior night and will be broadcast on WDEL.
  - GERALYN'S Dad is a member of a local VFW and they will be attending the game. Caravel Veteran Families will be invited as well.
  - We can control the "script" as to how the veterans will be involved. Some ideas:
    - Do the coin toss
    - Be on field for National Anthem
    - Do they sing or play instruments? Can join the band or sing the National Anthem.
    - Give Veterans free admission and a sticker.
    - Important to have everything worked out well in advance so it runs smoothly.
  - Want to ensure people are aware of what will be happening and to be in the stands for pregame.
  - It would be great to hand out small flags.
  - A smaller subcommittee will be created - email GERALYN ([geralynaellis@gmail.com](mailto:geralynaellis@gmail.com)) to join
- Fundraising
  - Not much going on at the moment
  - Pretzel Sales will be starting for Lower School.
    - We have moved to a model of purchasing so many pretzels at a time so it is not constant sending in \$1.
    - Would like to move the order form to a Jotform to make things easier.
    - Need some parents to run the sales. Normally have a parent call the Pretzel Factory to order, sort in the teacher's lounge, and then deliver to class rooms).
    - Monica Davis's mother helped in the past and would like to continue to help this year but having more hands on deck would be great. Pickup and distribution of pretzels happens during the school day.
    - Middle School would also like to purchase pretzels - a second round is sold at lunchtime and a parent reheats them on a warmer. Would need a volunteer for that as well. It would be beneficial to have a jotform for MS as well so they know how many extra to order for lunch time.
    - Additionally, any leftover pretzels are sold at pickup time.

- Wawa hoagie vouchers will be happening again.
  - Barbara Fields runs this and is checking on pricing. Normally, the vouchers are sold for \$1 more than they cost and the extra dollar is applied to the seller's Music in the Parks trip.
  - Would like to kick off in October.
  - Discuss setting up in Jotform.
  - Can be used at any Wawa for any 6" sub and they never expire.
- US Trip
  - The MS trips are all booked.
  - US is going to Busch Gardens and performing the evening of 4/21. The plan (depending on cost) is to leave on Thursday (4/20). Practice on Friday, spend the day at Colonial Williamsburg, then go back and perform Friday evening at Busch Gardens. This gives the kids all day Saturday (4/22) at Busch Gardens and then return home Sunday (4/23). Hoping to stay at Great Wolf Lodge but this all depends on cost and is tentative.
- Tri-M Update
  - Currently reactivating old members. Applications for new members were sent last week.
  - Induction is tentatively planned for January 12, 2023.
  - First meeting is on Friday.
  - Barbara can be the parent advisor but if another parent wants to help as well that would be appreciated.
- Music Store
  - Currently sells apparel - including older apparel.
  - Need someone to run the store. This parent would check and update inventory and email the teachers to pull items from inventory when an item is sold.
  - It would be nice to add a new jacket, but not necessary.
  - Distributing the sold items could be a service hours activity but not running the store as it is run through jotforms and they would prefer to keep that access for parents only.
- Plaques
  - Would like to get new plaques this year. The Olds family will be helping with this.
- New Business
  - They would like to start a new tradition to purchase shirts for seniors and have the kids sign. The original plan was to use Mrs. Romeo's cricut but it would be too costly for the vinyl. She has found someone who could make them for \$160 but she can look around as well. The seniors would still receive their message boards and plaques.
  - This used to be done with the marching band show shirts and Mr. Forney will be restarting this tradition. Mr. Forney will also be sharing the marching band banquet date shortly.
  - The Cabaret was discussed. It is planned for March 25 in the gym. This date was picked to be after basketball season. Mrs. Davis is going to confirm that we can

serve food in the gym as long as the mats are down. Email Geralyn to join a committee for the Cabaret.

- Mr. Forney is a new uncle to a niece named Annabelle.
- Next meeting is October 18 at 7:00.