



Wakefield HS Band Patrons

1325 S. Dinwiddie St.

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Minutes of the September 20, 2017 Meeting

Patron board members and director present for this executive board meeting. President Meade Hanna stepped down and Vice President Aquila Stewart took over duties as President for this school year.

President Report provided by Aquila Stewart and committee chairs:

1. Maki Fife provided update for new uniforms. All band members have been fitted with jackets, bibbers (pants), hats, and shoes. Anyone that needs adjustments, please let Mr. Fisher or Maki know. There will be some guidance provided by Mr. Fisher to the band students on proper care and storage of these new uniforms. Maki will take any suggestions for dry cleaning business options to get quotes. Also will look into quotes that include pickup/delivery and off-season storage.
2. Home Game concessions (bake sale items and spirit wear) brought in \$132.00 the first week and \$279.00 the second week.
3. Pit Crew – Aquila provided an example of a dark green vest with reflective markings that can be worn by Pit Crew for easy identification for games and competitions. It was approved for her to order 10 for use.
4. Spirit Wear update – Jim and Holly Jewel are the chairs. There are only a few old items left. New “baseball” type shirts and hoodies are in and selling well. You can email the Jim and Holly for orders.
5. Communication issues-
 - a. There were questions about changes for this year’s Marching Band season. Cathy will update the last schedule with recent changes from Mr. Fisher, review with him and it will be posted to the website.
 - b. Cathy will draft an email to be sent out on charms to identify the Band Patron’s website and its use to post information for parents and students.
 - c. Megan Booth, our Band Patron’s webmaster, will look into having a link on the main WHS APS school website that connects to the Band Patrons website.
6. Please provide any questions about Band Patrons or things you would like to hear about at the next meeting to Aquila or any of the band patron executive board members.

Treasurer update provided by Rebecca Carr:

1. We started the year with \$2,000 reserve as planned. A budget based on actuals from last year was provided and discussed. There was a budget item of “other” for \$650.00 that was listed and it was recommended by the Band Patrons to use some of those funds or request funds from Wakefield Boosters for a priority purchase of a Podium skirt for use at performances.
2. The budget presented was approved for this school year. Adjustments under \$350 can be made by a majority vote of the Executive Board. Any changes over \$350.00 would require a vote by the Band Patron at-large members.

Fundraising update:

1. Tag Day went well with over \$15,000 being raised for the Wakefield Music program. The majority of these funds are generally use for transportation/fees/maintenance/music purchase associated with all music programs to include band, orchestra and chorus.
2. Restaurant Fundraisers – Samara Weinstein is the chair for this and is working a fundraiser for Monday, Nov 20 from 4-10pm at District Tacos with 20% of Wakefield representation sales going to Band Patrons-more to come.

Band Patron Vice President Nominations:

1. Cathy Peterson will draft a message to be sent out in Charms requesting nominations to fill the vacant Vice President position with a vote to take place at the next Patrons meeting in October.

Upcoming Band Patron meetings:

Wed, Sept 20; Wed. Oct 11; Mon. Dec 11 – All parents meeting

Mon. Nov 13 – Board only meeting

Wed in Jan and Feb-all parent meeting in combination with student practice-TBD