



Wakefield HS Band Patrons

1325 S. Dinwiddie St.

Arlington, VA 22206

Minutes of the August 8, 2017 Meeting

Patron board members and director present for this executive board meeting.

President Report

1. Band Camp details –
 - a. Aug 14-18 from 1 pm to 9 pm
 - b. Debbie Wacker and Michelle Link are coordinators.
 - c. There is a sign up genius set up and sent out and already getting volunteers. Might want to reduce entrees from 10 to 6.
 - d. Q & A table was suggested but decided not needed.
 - e. Need to update Charms. Provided info gathered from reading session for parents to Mr. Fisher. Need student IDs to add students and Mr. Fisher will have to close out last year's student list to start the new school year.
2. Hidden Treasure sale.
 - a. No one to lead the effort. Meade to check (this was later cancelled due to no coordinator).
3. Volunteer positions needed:
 - a. Hidden Treasure coordinator and volunteers
 - b. Donations/volunteers for band camp dinners
 - c. Donations/volunteers home game dinners, baked goods and pit crew.
 - d. Volunteers for pit crew for competitions and assessments (Mr. Fisher to provide what is needed and Debbie will update the sign up genius).
4. Home Game Concessions:
 - a. Irma Deleon is coordinator
 - b. Debbie Wacker volunteered to continue working the sign up genius and adding slots for folks to stand the table and donate baked goods.
5. Tag Day:
 - a. Meade Hanna is coordinating
 - b. Looking for pictures for the brochure
 - c. Chris Anderson volunteered to assist
 - d. Sign up will be on Charms
6. Poinsettias:
 - a. Coordinator for Choir is Alicia Cackley. Veronica Bartlett is the rep for the band.
7. Popcorn Sales:
 - a. Aquila Stewart will lead this fundraiser.
8. Jazz Café Coordinators:
 - a. Carlin Anderson and Megan Booth
9. Spring Trip Coordinator:
 - a. Michele Chang
10. Spirit Wear Sales
 - a. Holly and Jim Jewell are coordinators

- b. Mr. Fisher said we will use the same design but new T-shirts are needed for new members and existing members with worn shirts. More to determine during band camp.
- 11. Band Uniforms
 - a. Maki Fife is coordinator with Aquila Stewart to provide turnover.
 - b. New uniforms are expected in this year. Plums have been received so far.
- 12. Band Patron webmaster
 - a. Megan Booth – she is looking for updated pictures to post to the web.
- 13. Restaurant Fundraiser Lead
 - a. Samara Weinstein
 - b. Megan Booth will reach out to her to provide turn over from previous year's efforts and successes.
- 14. Band Concert Assessments
 - a. Coordinators are: Cathy Peterson, Aquila Stewart, Debbie Wacker, Michele Chang.
 - b. Cathy received information from W&L when they hosted the large assessment last season. Will use this as basis for planning for Wakefield to host. Expectation is to have approximately 20+ schools to attend this 2-day assessment. Coordination includes Band entrance and exit, flow through building, stage set up for each band, judge's needs, recording and availability for judging, refreshments, equipment storage, volunteers for manning rooms, escort refreshment sales, runners for the recording equipment and judge needs. More to come.

Treasurer update:

1. Scholarships were provided at the end of the year as budgeted and presented at the Band Awards Pot Luck on June 6 at 6:30. Scholarships presented as follows based on application and essay submissions judged by the band director and the Band Patrons executive board:
 - a. Summer Camps:
 - Gabriel Rivera Martinez- \$500 (National Jazz workshop-George Mason)
 - Holden Anderson- \$750 (Drum Major Academy at UMass)
 - b. Senior Scholarships:
 - Malcolm Taylor- \$500 (attending Towson in fall 2017)
 - Aidan Martin- \$500 (attending Christopher Newport in fall 2017)
 - c. Assistant drum major \$500 set aside for participant to be named by the Director.
2. We are starting the year with a reserve of \$2,000 as planned.

Director update:

1. All teachers from last year are returning this year providing music, marching and guard instruction for students. There will be a new Brass instructor from the Army Old Guard Band (Rusty Smith).
2. Spring trip is being planned for Myrtle Beach this year, April 18-21
3. Looking forward to a great band year!

Upcoming Band Patron meetings:

- Wed, Sept 20; Wed. Oct 25; 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