

Plainfield Band

Booster Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2019

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6:30pm Presentation by Center Plate

7:38 call to order

Rita asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the Center Plate presentation. Russ commented the he thinks we have enough parent support to fill the 10 spots required for the pizza stand we will potentially take. Melissa Sedwick asked what happens if we don't fill all of the positions we would be obligated to fill. Russ answered that they are able to backfill the positions from other areas on one or two occasions, but that if we are regularly short, we may lose the stand. Steve Jones asked how much of the money earned will apply to fees. Russ answered 100%. Russ and Melissa discussed using SignUp for the Center Plate events. We reviewed the dates listed in Division III and most people in the meeting expressed this seemed like the most feasible.

Steve Jones motioned to approve the minutes from months booster meeting. Karen Angle seconded. Boosters voted unanimously to approve minutes.

Band Director: Mr. Carpenter offered thank you's to the parents who showed up with their vans, trucks, and SUVs to help move instruments and equipment when the box truck broke preparing for the Concert in the Park. Carp says he will check in on the box truck's repair status.

Next event is commencement on May 25th. Commencement band needs to wear all black and be in their seats in the gym by 10:00am, should be done by noon. At the same time, drumline will be playing with the Indiana All Star Band which is an arm of the National Band Association. They will be marching in the Indy 500 Parade in downtown Indianapolis. Carp said the kids will be bussed there and will have a practice at Butler University before the parade.

Update on fall season: marching band is already beginning to dig in. Freshmen are beginning to learn basic marching. Rehearsal begins next Tuesday night. Percussion does not begin until the second week of June. Melissa and Diana confirmed the schedule for percussion camp.

Carp mentioned the we hired Fritz Graff(sp?) as Orchestra Director. He will also be teaching music theory as well as some piano. The Color Guard also has hired new staff. Jose is being deployed to Afghanistan, so we have hired Jamie Tucker as Guard Director. She will be bringing some of her staff with her who have worked with Santa Clara Van Guard and other well-known groups. Also, for visual, Cal Lennon will be helping Jason. A few new helpers with percussion as well.

The last Friday of Mini Camp we will be cutting the practice short for a pool party for the kids.

We discussed the idea for the prop and how it will be used.

Camp dates are July 15-19 and the 22-26. Saturday the 20th will be our uniform fittings.

We have the new uniforms in. This will allow for better fitting uniforms for the kids.

Picnic at the end of camp will be on July 26th at 6:00pm.

Still working on Kings Island trip date.

Working on the copyrights for our show pieces. Our opener has been approved, two more pieces have been approved and paid for. Still waiting for approval on the final piece.

Working with the other music programs to see if there is a way to incorporate all the programs in this year's Christmas Concert.

Carp suggested a committee for the Concert in the Park. He would like it to be a bigger event for the community and possibly pull in the other music programs.

June 6th the drumline will be performing at the grand opening of the Embassy Suites in Plainfield.

Director of Events: Melissa expressed deep gratitude for all the help with the Concert in the Park. Next event is June 14th part at the Aquatic Center at 7:00pm. Be on the lookout for volunteer signups. Also, we will be needing help with first aid for band camp, frozen washcloths, and cool treats. Any and all help will be much appreciated.

Vice Pres Report: Russ mentioned that he has the wristbands and parking passes for the Sugar Fire volunteers. He asked Ryan Grimes to speak for a moment about an upcoming fundraising opportunity.

Ryan informed the boosters about his idea to do a wine sale fundraiser. He will be hosting a tasting at his home on June 12th. Ryan mentioned that 100% of the sale profit will go to the boosters.

Russ thanked all the Sugar Fire BBQ volunteers and mentioned that the guy has a year long contract at the track so there will be more opportunities in the future.

Director of Revenue: BJ's Brewhouse is on May 23rd. Chick-fil-A is on June 17th. We can bring a tip bucket to that one as long as band people are there filling drinks and wiping tables. July 19th we have the blood drive from 3-8pm. Wing's Etc. would like to do a restaurant night on July 24th and 25th.

Mark mentioned he has had issues with the Papa Johns discount cards. Diana said she will get to the bottom of it and get back to us. We still have cards to sell.

Director of Operations: Mark says he would like to get some people together to get the trailers in order.

Director of Concessions: Nothing to report.

Treasurer: Elaine presented the final budget for the 2019 Marching season. Patty Price asked if the kids will be getting a free show shirt. Mark answered no, that the winter programs are not given a free show shirt so the board decided to make this consistent across the programs.

Elaine mentioned yet again the amazing fundraising opportunities available to the parents. Also, there are discounts for paying on time and for turning in forms early.

Mike Laver talked to the Boosters about the possibility of a fundraiser that consists of raffling a cruise.

Rita mentioned that the Buick Drive Event has ended. We are in communication with Andy Mohr Ford as Ford offers a similar fundraising opportunity.

Kelli Jones motioned to approve the 2019-2020 budget. Karen Angle Seconded. All but one voted in favor of approval. One abstained.

President: Please be patient as we update charms.

Vacancy in Co-director of Events. The board recommends Kelli Jones. Rita asked if there were any other nominations. There were none. Karen Angle motioned to approve Kelli as new co-director. Carol Robinson seconded. All present voted in favor of Kelli Jones as the new Co-director of Events.

Rita reminded parents to be patient with their new marchers. Hydrate and have fun. It's all going to be worth it!

Elaine made a motion to close. Diana Seconded.

9:09pm meeting closed