

Northwest Band Parent Organization Meeting July 14, 2022  
 Location: Northwest High School Band Room  
 Minutes prepared by Michelle Kurtz, NWBPO secretary (from notes taken by Valerie Fouts)

\*\*\*APPROVED 8/11/2022\*\*\*

ATTENDEES:

Janice Burris	Jon Rech	Kris Lachenmaier	Becky Lachemaier
Christiana Rau	Valerie Fouts	Tiffany Allison	Chad Allison
(illegible signature)	Chris Strohmaier	Nicole Opfer	

Agenda:

- Call to Order
- Minutes of the Previous Meeting
- Treasurer's Report
- Committee Reports
  - Equipment
  - Fundraising
  - Concessions
  - Uniforms
  - Volunteers
  - Wolf WearHouse
  - Website/RevTrak
  - WMI
- Band Director's Report
- Old Business
  - Follow up on pop-up tent for Royal Brigade travel
  - Follow up on 501 c3 status
- New Business
  - Planning for August 1st even (ice cream social)
  - Band Camp volunteers
  - Band Camp Clinicians
  - Band Camp snack sign up
- Adjourn

Upcoming Dates

- 8/1 Season kick off meeting/ice cream social
- 8/2-8/4 Pre-camp rehearsals (5-9pm)
- 8/8-8/12 Band Camp (12-9pm)
- 8/15-8/18 Post camp rehearsals (6-9pm)
- 8/18 Royal Brigade parent preview 8pm
- 8/23 First day of school-morning rehearsals begin

## Meeting Notes

**Call to Order** at 7:01pm by Becky Lachenmaier

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting**-approved (not documented who did the motion or 2nd)

**Treasurer's Report**-approved (not documented who did the motion or 2nd)

### Committee Reports

**Equipment**-No word on props yet. Chad A. is waiting to hear from Chad Freisleben. Number of trucks needed for each trip is not known. Will be dependent on size of props. Will have a sign up on 8/1 for people willing to drive trucks. Mr. Strohmaier suggested building props in the evenings during band camp. "David from the auditorium" has said he will help and the school can be used.

**Fundraising**-No report. It was suggested that during August, September, and October that we let choir do the can shack since band kids are busy. Would need to discuss with WBPO before doing that. Hy-Vee cards were brought up. Would like to sell at the beginning of the year. Choir is selling now and those expire 12/31/22. Becky will talk to Sharon about yard signs. Want to see if we could have an option to offer the "normal" signs and then also one that was metal (like has been offered for soccer) that would cost more but last longer.

**Concessions**-No report.

**Uniforms**-Only 3 kids have not been measured. During band camp will be sign ups for kids to come in and try on the uniforms that have been assigned to them to make sure they fit. Going to put skull caps on revtrak in addition to gloves, shoes, etc. If kids are continually coming back needing socks, gloves, skull caps, etc, we can go to the district and have them charge for it. Will sell used shoes again on 8/1.

**Volunteer**-no report. Will get sign ups for band camps, football games, competitions, etc. to be available for 8/1 ice cream social

**Wolf Warehouse**-NW inventory has been purchased. Planning a pop up sale on 8/13. Will put band apparel options on revtrak, won't order until it has been ordered so don't have extra. Will have samples available on 8/1.

**Website/RevTrak**- band apparel is ready to go on revtrak. School registration opens 7/21 and would like required stuff up at that time if possible. She has been refreshing and updating the web site. Would like to put a "donate now button." Would like a list of people who have access to the website passwords, etc will be nice when time for her to hand off. Wants to verify who adds the minutes to the website

**WMI/state marching band contest**-Jon Rech-event will be held 10/15/22. Getting things reserved. Small increase in cost to rent the golf carts. We will be on our own again this year for tractors, ATVs, etc this year (no inventory to loan us). Jon will reach out to the people that loaned trailers, etc last year to see if we can use them again. If more are needed, will email families with requests

**Band Director's Report**-Mr. Strohmaier reported summer rehearsals were good. Excited about the ice cream. Will begin in the auditorium then go to the commons where we will have tables set up. Wants to have families fill out a form of what talents they have, that way if we are in need of something, we could ask that parent or they could connect us to someone. They will discuss why it is important to continue to fundraise even if not a trip year. Only need band camp volunteers during full day camp. The 2nd day of the 1st week of band camp wants to bring in 6 high level teachers to work with sections. It would be for 2 hours \$150/person, total of \$900. This was APPROVED. Are 111 kids plus family for ice cream social. Planning on ice cream sandwiches, etc instead of scooping ice cream. BOA-our band will be competing. Should know by 1st week of September how many people are expected to attend (will help in figuring out concessions).

**Old Business**-follow up on pop-up tent for Royal Brigade travel-Becky found a 10' x10' Royal Blue tent with sides on Amazon for \$280. APPROVED. Becky will order this and should be here in time for band camp.

501c3-still in progress, takes a long time to get changed (at least 180 days).

**New Business**-see above approved request for clinicians in band directors report

**Adjourn**-8:08pm (motion and 2nd prior to approval were not documented)

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