

Northwest Band Parent Organization Meeting October 13, 2022
Location: Northwest High School Band Room
Minutes prepared by Michelle Kurtz, NWBPO secretary

APPROVED 11/10/2022

ATTENDEES:

Janice Burris	Michelle Kurtz	Kris Lachenmaier	Becky Lachemaier
Christiana Rau	Valerie Fouts	Tiffany Allison	Chad Allison
Nicole Opfer	Stacey Walter	Chris Strohmaier	Kelly Jackson
Jon Rech	Katie Wittmer		

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
New Business
Adjourn

Upcoming Dates

10/15 State/WMI at Waukee Stadium-all day
10/21 End of season awards/"tailgate" party, NW Commons, 4pm
10/21 Football game vs Urbandale - Senior Night
10/22 All State auditions - Atlantic
10/24-26 Wind Symphony/Concert Band Auditions

Meeting Notes

Call to Order at 7:00pm by Becky Lachenmaier

Minutes of the Previous Meeting-motion to approve, Chad Allison, 2nd Katie Wittmer.
Approved

Treasurer's Report- motion to approve, Michelle Kurtz, 2nd Jon Rech. Approved

Committee Reports

Equipment- Chad Allison-will load trucks tomorrow after school and bring to WHS (for state/WMI). Need more prop help for WMI/State and for football games. Want sophomore and junior parents to help on senior night. Spent \$350 on tools, need more things.

Fundraising-Sharon-"working on Culver's" for a fundraiser night. Some cans were stolen from the can shack but were recovered. Michelle Kurtz asked for an update on district fundraising status. The 2024-2025 school year will be a trip year and funds can go into individual accounts for that optional trip. Student accounts can only be used for non-required trips.

Concessions-Stacey Walter-reported just learned this week that the way concession profits are done is changing and it will be a percentage of sales so we will not earn as much as we have in the past (goes through athletic boosters). This will need to be a larger future conversation with the involved parties. Also, need more help in concessions for state/WMI.

Uniforms-no new report

Volunteer-volunteer slots are filling in for state/WMI. Need driver's licenses for all people driving during the event (tractors/golf carts/trucks, etc)

Wolf Warehouse-Janice reported \$6100 gross sales at last game, make about 25% profit. One game left (10/21). Planning a pop up sale in December, will announce to PV and NW.

Website/RevTrak- Nicole is working to keep the website updated. Let her know if anything needs to be added.

WMI/state marching band contest-Due to new district procedures, the district now needs to rent the needed items instead of Jon/Callie being able to do this directly. Hoping everything will show up by noon tomorrow as planned. Made \$800 for ads in the digital program. Fireworks this year will be shot off from the practice field across the street. Middle school lot has been redone which is making things more complicated, thinks everyone can fit in (buses, etc) but will be a tight fit. Practice field is also condensed.

Band Director's Report-Chris Strohmaier-Senior night is 10/21. Concert band auditions will be after marching band is done. Jazz band full rehearsals start next week. Financial stuff still in progress with meetings with the district. Thank you to both Becky (NWBPO) and Tadd (WBPO) for their involvement in some of these meetings. 25 students are auditioning for All State. No early band on upcoming Monday due to driving presentation at the school. On Wednesday there will be a trumpet ensemble from Luther College coming during band time. Other rehearsals will be moved to 7:30am next week.

Old Business- Stacey Walter brought in a sample banner she created for seniors that will be placed in the stadium on senior night. Purchase of these is optional for the senior families, cost of \$30.

New Business-

WMS 7th Grade band asking for \$150 to join a consortium with access to new music. Motion to approve this cost by Nicole Opfer, 2nd by Tiffani Allison. Approved.

Meal for end of season "tailgate" on 10/21 - budget of \$500.

Motion to approve this budget by Katie Wittmer, 2nd by Sharon Divvingnzo. Approved. Will also be a sign up genius for drinks, desserts, bread, etc to be donated.

Adjourn-8:03pm motion by Christiana Rau, 2nd by Michelle Kurtz, approved.

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