

Forest Hills Central Band Boosters Board Meeting
September 14, 2009

Location: FHC Band Room 4:00pm

Present: Mr. DeStefano, Mr. Engelsman, Kim Banks, Sheryl Baas, Jeff Reynolds, Cindy Gilbert, Kathy Oberlin, Andrea Keefer, Barb Weston and Kathy Gatchalian

Bandtasia - Reggie Harris has agreed to co-chair this year and will chair in 2010. Advertising prices will stay the same as last year.

Band Kickoff Summary - Held at Forest Hills Eastern, this went very well. Band performed ahead of the rain and ice cream was served.

U of M Leadership Trip - this is tentatively scheduled for this coming weekend. If tickets are available, the group will leave about 6am.

Jim Hill Photos - no large picture is scheduled. A plan was proposed to send an email out to parents to offer individual band member photos. These would be taken at the Community Tailgate. Sheryl said she would contact Jim Hill to try to arrange this.

Upcoming Football Game Events

Community Tailgate (October 2) - A discussion was held about how the Athletic Boosters have scaled back their past tailgating games, face painting, etc. for this year. Since the Athletic Boosters are only offering a hot dog tent, the plan is for the Band Boosters to offer 2 food vendors' tents. An order form will be given to band members to allow them to preorder their food. The goal is to have their meals be \$5.00/student or less. The two food tents will feed between 750-1000 people, to include band members, families and friends. Mr. D said the food tents should be set up in the parking lot west of the band room (where the uniforms semi is located). Kim Banks will coordinate the food vendors and pricing. Some FHC Band footballs may be given at this event.

Band Events for the Tailgate will include:

- 8th Grade Band performance
- Half-Time Show
- 5th Quarter Show
- 5:30pm Drumline Show
- 6:00pm Band Show

Uniform call for Band Members will be at 6:00pm

Band members will eat from 5:00-6:00pm

Drumline will eat by 5:00pm

Homecoming (Oct. 16) - Parade begins at 4:30pm. Since the goal is to feed the band members quickly, we will have kids prepay and preorder their food. The cost will be \$5.00/student or less. The band will eat between 5:15-6:15pm. Kim Banks will coordinate the 2 food tents. The FHC cafeteria has been reserved for dinner. There will be approx. 260 band members and their families as well as friends who may buy food from the food tents. (approx. 750-1000 people)

Senior Recognition - The cafeteria has been reserved for this. There is a tentative chair (a junior and sophomore parent) for this event. We need an announcer for the

game itself. Mr. D will talk with Mike Lareau to ask him to do this. Andrea will email a list of the Junior parents to Sheryl.

Knight Time Classic - (Sept. 26) time to be announced.
8-10 chaperones are needed. We have 5-6 busses scheduled.

MSBOA - (Oct. 13)
8-10 chaperones are needed.

Concert Uniforms - A chairperson is needed to handle girls shirts and guys suits.
Sheryl is still looking for a person to do this.

Disney Trip - All students will need to attend all concerts while at Disney. There will be approximately 2 concerts/day. A check needs to be sent for \$17,200.00 to pay for the chartered flight. Commercial Flights and a charter flight have been reserved. 239 band and choir students have signed up. Approximately 9 more chaperones are needed. Performance tapes need to be sent to Disney. Letter needs to be sent to band and choir members for final payments. Andrea said the cost for processing credit card payments is approximately 3% per payment. A surcharge of \$40.00 (or \$20.00/each payment) will be charged for every credit card payment given.

Fund Raising -

Key Card envelopes were sent home today. They will be due back on Sept. 30. They are selling for \$20.00 each with ½ of the proceeds (\$10.00) to go back to the selling student's account.

Yard Signs - 101 were made, 16 are left. Originally 130 were ordered and paid for. A refund check has been turned in for the order mix-up. Next year Kim suggests that 100 are ordered again with maybe a new logo.

Website/Hotline

The website needs to be updated with Band Booster Meetings, call times, key card fundraising information and general calendar information.

A question was asked as to whether the hotline is still used or if it can be removed from the website.

To Be Considered at the Next Meeting: Long term spending goals for budget - uniforms, instruments, etc.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Gatchalian