

## Meeting – July 24, 2007 – Band Camp Prep

**Attendees:** Ms Aman, Ms Kerr, Jill Touchberry, Ruth Swanek, Randi Esqueda, Sarah Emmett, Kristen (color guard clinician)

### **Band Camp Logistics:**

#### **Parent Volunteers** Requested by Ms Kerr:

At least one parent at camp at all times to handle the “what ifs”

Call roll each day

Copy drill (beginning Monday 8/6)

Lunch breaks

Water breaks

Ice will be available throughout band camp from either the cafeteria or the training room!

Kids need 1” inch binders for drill with sheet protectors. The second week, they need some way to carry those binders on the field with their instruments.

Color guard clinician was introduced: Kristen Parrish.

Ms Aman is trying to identify a student manager for the band. This person would help out with water delivery and any other “go fer” responsibilities the band needed!

Jill to purchase a sturdy wagon for use in the water delivery. She will buy one similar to the one that the football team uses.

**Bandstand:** It will be open during band camp for access to drinks (for purchase!) This is dependent on parent volunteer availability. Purchases would be taken to the pod to eat!

Baseball field must be lined this week for band camp. The liner and paint is in the color guard room.

Scaffolding is required for the second week of band camp.

This will be rented from Home Depot.

Props: Currently Ms Kerr does not plan to use any props. She may need flags purchased or perhaps new flag poles.

**T-shirts** for band students (and any pre-ordered for family members) must be ordered in time to pass out PRIOR to preview night.

Under uniform: Prefer the gray with dark blue. Will use white with green if the design looks better. Cost is \$12/shirt. Must order from Eric Miller (Indiana – the show company) Front logo is MHS Marching Band.

Black t-shirts with same logo will be offered for purchase.

**Boosters will provide two meals:**

Breakfast on day 1 – bagels, juice, whole fruit

Lunch – Friday of 1<sup>st</sup> week – pizza from CiCi's

Should the boosters purchase a light weight copier for quick copies?

“Massive” copying of drill, etc would need to be done in the office or an outside vendor.

**Recruitment Ideas:**

**Cats Camp** – recruit musical and (mainly) color guard. Potential draw from dance team. Help kids know that some non-traditional marching instruments CAN participate in the marching band. We can use them in PIT or let them march another comparable instrument.

**\$50 credit** for anyone recruited into the band.

Fair share for “late comers” will be paid monthly beginning in Aug if needed. We will work out those details with any new comers.

Newsletter out to classroom band kids we have e-mails for from last year. This will be sent to the marching kids, last year's roster (-seniors), and potential freshmen.

**Budget Proposal:**

Budget for clinicians is \$16K. Ms Kerr thinks she will come in under that figure. Hiring a color guard clinician for the entire season. Percussion clinician during band camp. Music clinician for 2 hours/day.

Can the repairs on the trailer line item be reduced? Was used to put instrument shelves in last year.

Budget will be frozen next week.

The budget is firm the second week of band camp.

Transportation costs should be less this year – not attending as many shows.

The band is going to two away football games. The bus is provided for these, but we will need to pay the additional driver. The games we will attend are Apex and Broughton.

**Fundraising:** Randi suggested that we sell Macy's coupons for \$5. It's a booklet with coupons at several stores at the mall for use on one day. The coupons are provided to us. \$5 pure profit for those sold! Randi is looking into this for us. (She ran this for Durant Middle School!)

**Preview Night:**

Ms Kerr will learn from Scott how to turn on the stadium lights.

Ms Aman will reserve the cafeteria for preview night, Aug 10.

The media center will be open on preview night for volunteer registration with WCPSS. Reminder in newsletter to bring driver's license and we recommend that people register at the highest level of clearance. Reminder also that this must be done EVERY YEAR!

Meal suggestions for preview night: perhaps Carrabba's or Stromboli's. They've worked with the football teams in the past. Does Mr McInnis have a contact at these places?

**Competitions:**

Oct 6 – Wakefield (see below)

Oct 20 – Fuquay Varina

Oct 27 – Sanderson

Nov 3 – Havelock (changed from Cary Band Days)

We are going to find out if families will be available for the Wakefield competition. Since the competition is on SAT day, this has traditionally been a “free” weekend for families to travel. IF enough kids will be in town, we will attend the Wakefield competition. It's a late afternoon (4:30) competition and evening show.