

Minutes Mon 9/21/15 SPF Music Boosters meeting

Ken Litwin 7:35 called meeting to order . Copresident Joe Guidi is not present.



Welcome to the 45th year of Music Boosters!

SPFMBA Meetings 3rd Tuesday of the month. Expect and email to go out with dates:

Future dates are Oct 20, **Wed Nov 18**, Jan 19, Feb 16, Mar 15, Apr 19, May 17

Welcome words and staff reports

Vincent Turturiello, Supervisor

- Moonglowers performed at Susan G. Komen event. The music really benefits and supports the people literally fighting for their lives. There will also be an ALS fundraiser in January.
- Elementary schools will be benefiting from a new digital curriculum starting this year which will be rolled out at the different schools as the equipment is made available. This will provide a surge for our elementary/middle school program.
- As was created at Terrill Middle School, Mr. Kale Thompson will be undertaking the beginning of a musical program at Park Middle School and now in addition to the program created at Terrill we will now have two musical programs at both middle schools.
- There is also talk of a Drama Club being resurrected at the high school under Ms. Neilsen
- The Music Trip this year will be to Philadelphia. The students appreciate the trip regardless.
- **There will be a fund raiser benefiting the Music Boosters with a Comedy Night Sat Dec 19th performance by SPF Alumnus Mike Marino, as well as a Moonglower Alumni performance .** Already a lot of positive feedback on this.
\$25 Tickets on sale now! spfmusic.brownpapertickets.com

Jan Allen

- Returned from Maternity leave last year.
- Please use her teacher page which is updated regularly to know when the rehearsals are (consistent, but there are special events.) And choir tracks are included. Please check her page for correct dates. Grace Cheney is the Choir Coordinator.
- Uniform orders are due by next Friday.
- Select Choir has been accepted to Montclair State event Friday October 30th. Only 5 schools selected. Will be benefiting from Master Classes.
- Saturday November 21st. Dr. Bryce Hayes from James Madison University will be doing a full day workshop for the afterschool choirs. Concert at the end will be off site.
- The musical for next year will be *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*, musical. We are very happy that Matt Capodicasa will be back as director.
- Tuesday, September 29th will be the interest meeting for students interested in all aspect of the program meeting to be in the auditorium.

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- Thank you to all involved in the home show. I could not happen without everyone's help. .Special thanks to Barbara Oster for all her hard work. As well, big thank you Marcia Zimmerman who has been an integral part of the success of the Marching Band since 2001.
- This weekend we are heading out to Met Life stadium for going on at noon. Leave the high school at 9:15. We are requesting help with feeding the kids before we leave. We will return before award and finish the day with a game at Ridge. All shows are on YEA.org. Please note that we will no longer participate in the November 14th competition.
- We have a great Marching Band show this year: "Chance Love, Tales Beneath a Persian Moon"
- A few dates coming up: Pops Concert is January 28, District Music Festival Apr 27, Spring Concert May 11th. And graduation. At graduation every non senior instrumentalist is expected to perform.

Ken Litwin: Welcome to new and returning parents. Thank you all for coming to our first meeting of 2015-2016

Introduction of 2015-2016 Officers

Ken Litwin	Co-President
Joe Guidi	Co-President
Lucia Diaz-Romero	Vice President
Steven Oster	Treasurer
Kalpana Krishna-Kumar	Corresponding Secretary
Fran Wagner	Recording Secretary
Dan Murphy	Trustee
Julie Murphy	Trustee

Officer reports

Treasurer – Steven Oster –

- Over the course of the year our group raised 68,000 last year. This year the expectation is that Home Show raised over 6,000 net. With our success over the years we have purchased many things for the Music Department.

Lisa Zimmerman Trip Coordinator

- This year the trip dates are April 14th through the 17th. The cost will be \$677 per student. First mandatory meeting Sept 29 7pm. After the success of last year, we will be using the Remind App and the website to communicate with parents during sign up and to communicate with students during the trip. Gmail account will still be maintained but used less.
- Volunteers: Nancy Elkin, Andrea Cerin, Patrice Barth, Margaret Blanco will be collecting the forms. Esperanza will be the new accounts coordinator. Marcia Zimmerman and Barbara Oster will continue as chaperone coordinators.
- This year we will not require the SPFHS Students to provide copies of student ID's. Students from UCVTS and any other schools will still need to provide ID's.
- First payment due on Oct 16th
- This year the trip does not include Color Guard.
- Please check the website for all of the forms and fundraising opportunities.

Committee reports and Upcoming Events

- Home Show Chair: Barbara Oster 17th Annual. Sept 21st on Home Show. It was a fantastic night and the weather cooperated. Thank you to all of the many volunteers and committee members who contributed all of their efforts.
- Pasta Night Chair, Lucia Diaz-Romero. Pasta night explained Wed Oct 21st –Students perform, and parents volunteer their time and provide food. Also local vendors provide food. Really a fun night and an excellent fund raiser. Because everything is 100% donated it's 100% profitable. All of the funds go to the music department. Sign up Genius will go out next week with information on volunteer opportunities and donation needs.
- Membership – Melissa Sirchio, membership forms are available online and new this is year the ability to use Paypal or continue use of checks..
- SPF Website chair, Brett Porter. Website continues to be updated with many photographs. www.SPFmusicboosters.org. All of the forms and fundraising opportunities are on the website.
- Merchandise chair, Ken Litwin– Merchandise sales this year include T-shirts, V-Neck women's tshirts (NEW!) , car magnets, grocery bags, and flags. All profits of these items go directly to Music Boosters.

Fleece jackets and Fleece blankets are available on line on our website if interested, but NOTE – SPF Music Boosters does not get any funds from the Fleece sales. These items are offered as a courtesy direct from the vendor, and does not go through SPF Music Boosters.

Recording Secretary, Kalpana Krishna-Kumar. Reminder for new parents, please let her know if you would like to get on the mailing list.

Grace Cheney reporting for Charlie Jackson. He is no longer working with marching band, but continues to recommend Music Boosters to his parents and explains that Music Boosters is the PTA of the Music Department. He and Mr. Reo have the highest enrollment of 4th grade in history. 3 schools are close to 100% enrollment..

New Business

Fran Wagner, The SPF Music Boosters Facebook page is no longer administered by former members. Fran Wagner is current admin and will add Brett Porter. The SPF Marching Band Facebook page is administered by Fran Wagner and Nancy Voltz.

Next Meeting is Tues Oct 20th @ 7:30p at the High School Multi-Purpose Room

Motion to adjourn meeting Pam Sayles motion of adjourn, Gil Isaacs second. 8:40.