

# Flagstaff High School Band & Orchestra Boosters

## Minutes from Booster Parent Meeting

1/15/2026 5:30pm in FHS Band Room

### Attendees:

Suzzanna Garcia, Tanya and Michael Skelton, Susan Cahill and Thomas, Ashlynn and Tim White, Arianna White, Kim Hensley Owens, Laura Umphrey, Tommi

### Director's Comments:

- Concert band, color guard, orchestra all rolling along nicely

### Feedback

- Holiday Light Parade
  - weather great, enough cookies, excess of whipped cream donated
- Winter Concert
  - one parent requested Jewish ornament? No one is really sure what that would entail; parent didn't suggest and no representation at the meeting—maybe we can do a non-ornament, non-holiday souvenir?
  - Ornament sales made almost \$600
  - Taina said closing sales earlier left enough time to make them

### Solo Ensemble (Jan 17<sup>th</sup>)

- Hosting
  - 8 judges
  - Hospitality room – Green Room
  - Cost of reimbursement - \$150 (spent \$83.14)
  - Kim will set up Friday and break down Saturday

### Regional Auditions (Jan 24<sup>th</sup>)

- Dr. Mc explained what regionals are; Suzanna went over concessions, Kim went over proctoring
- Q: Suzanna: do we have a count?
  - A: Dr. Mc will find out
- Hosting
  - Hospitality room
  - Cost of reimbursement \$150
- Map of school with restroom, audition rooms, hospitality room. Post around the school and hand it out to judges, directors and parent volunteers—Dr Mc will do

- Make Signs (Restrooms, Hospitality room, Judge check-in, Warm-up area)--Suzzanna will check in drive to find signs Jill made or will make new ones
- Concession Stand (fundraiser)
  - Need cash bag and lots of \$1 bills –Tommi will get cash bag to Suzzanna before the day
  - Runner (pick up pizza and other items needed)
  - Formula to order pizza – 10 pizzas per each 100 registered
- Donations
  - Nackard donated soda, water, energy drinks and Frappuccino–thanks, Laura!
- Volunteers
  - Proctor 32 volunteers for Dr Mc (8:30am-12pm) (12:30pm – 4:30pm)
    - 13 signed up for am so far; 5 for pm so far; students will fill in as needed
  - 2 (8am -12pm) 2 (12pm -4pm)
- Set Up Jan 23rd
  - 4 volunteers
- 12<sup>th</sup> – 14th Festival (Lake Havasu)
  - Students will stay til the 15th bc it's so far away
  - Hotel has breakfast
  - Students can either come home with parents after, the next morning, or take bus

### Scholarship

- We award a one-time \$500 Music Scholarship (Senior only)
- Open January 16<sup>th</sup> and closes April 7<sup>th</sup> (week before booster meeting)
- Committee
  - Kim, Susan and Allison
  - Present recommended recipient at April's booster meeting and vote
  - Scholarship is announced at the year-end Award night
- Q: Kim: Could we discuss raising the amount bc of inflation, etc?
  - A: Suzzanna, we can discuss that at the budget meeting

### Orchestra

- Clinician Day (FEB 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>)
  - Hotel is set up (Little America) (Jill got it for \$100)
- Pre- Festival

### NAU/FHS Concert Meal

- February 24<sup>th</sup> – Symphonic Band
- Dinner?
  - Need to check with Jill on cost (last year Hot Spot \$10 per person)
  - May be more actually, we think we budgeted for that possibility, Tommi will check
- Tickets

- o Parents will be offered two tickets, but there aren't enough for everyone; Dr. Mc doesn't want ppl to sign up for tickets if they won't use them

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Checking \$1500
- Savings lots, pulse \$2300 from Gore grant (thanks, Susan!)
- Reimbursement—still waiting on Spring Tour breakfast reimbursement and two dinners from fall
- CHS Check—Tommi will write \$500 and give check to Dr. Mc
- Venmo —issue with account being in Kim T's name from four years ago; everyone's trying to get that sorted; Suzzanna will call Kim next week too.
- Fundraisers have been making less this year even though there are more people in the band
- Bands of America payment has been complicated but it's on its way

### **Fundraising**

- Concessions at regionals
- Savers (April 11<sup>th</sup>)--next time we'll need trailer

### **Booster Board**

- Open Positions
  - o President—lots of support; Suzzanna will help whoever takes it on next year
  - o Vice President —fundraising, graphics, pizza, donations

### **What's coming up:**

- 1/17 - Solo Ensemble and Both Pep Bands (Brown Afternoon) (Green Evening)**
- 1/24 - Regional Auditions**
- 2/2 - Pep Band (Brown & Colorguard)**
- 2/12-14 – Regional Performances (Lake Havasu)**
- 2/17-18 – Orchestra Clinician Days**
- 2/19 - Booster Meeting**
- 2/24 - FHS/NAU Concert**
- 3/3 - FHS/MEMS side by side concert**
- 3/5 - Festival State Evaluation Performances**
- 3/17 - Boosters meeting about Disney**
- April Boosters meeting is moving from 14 April to 21 April
- Q: When will Dr. Mc have details for parents for Disney?
  - o A: Waiting for Disney to give clinic times, and then
- Susan and Tommi both had extra cute shoes on for this meeting; I think we need to record that