

QEBPA Band meeting

May 5, 2026 @ 6:00 pm-

In attendance:

Maria, Heather, Tomson Yang, Tara B, Stephanie Labowka, Christine Doll, Robyn, Heather, Odessa Ingarfield, Jennifer E-Heily, Andrew Parker

Mrs. Neily

**1) Band uniform update- vest update**

Moved forward with a sweater vest @ \$35.

It is knit and has stretch.

Grade 7, use shirt and tie only.

Grade 8, 9, and high school band would have vests ordered. Can have band vest swap. Kids purchase them and can keep them or trade them or sell them, up to QEBPA to organize and decide how to do this.

Ordering will go through Mr. Parker for size and then fee will be assigned through the school fees portal.

Company has small quantity minimum and the QEBPA will not be involved in ordering. For students on fee waivers, the QEBPA can look at covering the cost for those students.

Vests will be available for next school year 2026/2027.

Odessa to organize year end vest swap program.

**2) Coffee fundraiser update**

Extended ordering deadline to May 11, 2026.

Commission to date \$279.50

**3) Volunteers for 2026/2027**

Looks in good standing for volunteers.

Next meeting present details on which volunteers will be running which positions, provide roster for roles.

Christine to meet with Heather to share communication role.

#### **4) Final band concerts**

Get confirmation from Mr. Parker on times.

June 4<sup>th</sup> is final band concert performance date.

June 2<sup>nd</sup> is graduation with senior band performance.

#### **Mr. Parker joined at 6:30 pm.**

Struggle for high school students arriving on time.

Final band parent meeting June 10 but he will be absent.

In beginning stages for high school students for 2026/2027, a potentially exciting opportunity. Early stages without details yet.

Preliminary numbers for high school 2026/2027 enrollment is up 30% from last year. 25 grade 10's moving into high school band. Band looks like it will be in mid-high 40's for enrollment in high school band program.

Potential exciting opportunities for the junior program next year as well.

Look at getting student(s) from the photography club to take pictures during student band events and concerts for next year. Need to ensure FOIP is honored and privacy needs. Mr. Parker is already in talks with the photography teacher regarding this.

Mr. Parker thanked volunteer members of the QEBPA.