

General Membership Meeting

DATE: **November 20, 2024**

TIME: **7:30 pm**

LOCATION: Instrument Music Room

MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. NIMAS GMM called to order by President, Honorée Kerrigan at 7:40PM

II. ROLL CALL

A. Present

President, Honorée Kerrigan. Vice President, Laura Strattan. Treasurer, Shawntay Sabetti. Assistant Treasurer, Ellie Kapsalis. Secretary, Lisa Bolash. Band Director, Daniel Zettlemoyer. Color Guard Advisor, Sarah Hriniak.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A. President, Honorée Kerrigan, asked for members to review the agenda for tonight's meeting, asked if there were any questions or items to be added and called for a motion to approve. See XI MOTIONS

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A. President, Honorée Kerrigan asked for members to review the previous meeting minutes, asked if there were any corrections and called for a motion to approve. See XI MOTIONS

V. OFFICER'S REPORTS

A. President's Report

- 1. Volunteering
- 2. Benefits When parents are involved in their children's schooling students show higher academic achievement, school engagement and motivation. 2019 American Psychological Association Review)
- 3. Its easy-We, as a group, are a bunch of parents trying to make this the best we can for the kids.
- 4. If you take pictures at our events you can share them via our google drive link https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1L3mW4OtirRLvtJ_Mb1V61uoBNDL5R-dy

B. Vice President's Report

- 1. Thank you to Bingo volunteers
- 2. Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities
 - Winter Orchestra/Jazz/Chorus concert on 12/11/2024

C. Treasurer's Report

- 1. Checking account balance as of 10/29/2024 is \$11,497.36
 - (a) Expenses totaled \$5,651 and included Band ID shirts, WaWa coupons, Garment bags, Tux shirts and the deposit for the spring band trip.
 - (b) Income totaled \$3,758.24 and included Gertrude Hawk candy sales and payments for the spring band trip.
- 2. Savings account balance as of 10/29/2024 is \$11,497.36.
 - (a) Member Jackie Lovering suggested the board look into converting the savings account to a higher yielding money market account.

3. General Fund Update

- (a) Bingo income was \$4971.25, expenses were \$1547.21 for a net profit of \$3424.04.
- (b) Holiday Plant Sale netted \$3.75 to the general fund after our delivery charge of \$55.00.
- (c) Matey's Pizza Sale netted \$211.25 to the general fund.
- (d) Dine to Donate Results: On the Border yielded \$127 and Red Robin \$162.58 to our general fund.

4. Fair Share Update

- (a) Holiday Plant Sale totaled \$1,888.50 with profits of \$271.50 to student fair share accounts.
- (b) Matey's Pizza Sale totaled \$2887.45 with profits of \$488.75 to student fair share accounts.

D. Assistant Treasurer's Report

- 1. Fundraiser Updates
 - (a) Krispy Kreme students sold 129 dozen donuts for a total of \$940.25 in profit with \$744.00 to student fair share accounts and \$196.25 to the general fund.

2. New Fundraisers

- (a) Restaurant Gift Cards:
 - (i) Tapas on Main, Cachette Bistro & Creperie, Retro Burger, Urbano Mexican Kitchen & Bar, and The Flying Egg. Cards will sell for \$25 and we receive \$5 for each card sold with \$4 going to student's fair share accounts and \$1 to the general fund.
- (ii) Pat's Pizza & Bistro gift cards are also \$25 each with \$5 profit, \$4 to fair share and \$1 to the general fund. We have a Dine to Donate scheduled at Pat's Bistro on 12/27/2024.
- (b) Casa de Jore Salsa starts now and runs through 1/9/2025 students will receive \$3 to their fair share account for each jar sold and \$1 will go to the general fund. Sales packets were handed out tonight and any questions can be directed to Assistant Treasurer, Ellie Kapsalis at NIMASCoTreasurer@gmail.com.

E. Committee Reports

- 1. Grocery Gift Cards: Peggy Fueher, Chairperson reported 2 Weis, 10 Giant and 74 WaWa cards sold for a total of \$138 to student fair share accounts and \$51 to the general fund.
- 2. Gertrude Hawk: Nicole Burkhardt, Chairperson reported the sale of 1 box of candy last month for a total of 19 YTD. Each box nets \$30 to your child's fair share account and \$6 to the general fund.
- 3. Matey's Pizza Rob Kucsan, Chairperson reported 400 pizzas sold and delivery Saturday 11/23 from 9-10AM.
- 4. Fall Bingo: President, Honorée Kerrigan thanked the Bingo committee Maggie Georges, Isabella Flores, Jennifer Laconte, Georgia Prowse and all who helped at the event and Maggie Georges thanked everyone who donated baskets and helped collect donations for the raffle.
 - (a) Recap- We definitely need more volunteers for BINGO going forward. Planning for spring BINGO on 4/11/2025 will begin in January.
 - (b) Drawing for Christkindlemarkt Tickets- these were overlooked at BINGO so all families in attendance of the GMM tonight were entered into a drawing. Kara Josar was the lucky winner.

VI. COLOR GUARD ADVISOR'S REPORT

A. Reminders

- 1. Performances
 - (a) Wind Creek Welcomes Santa on Saturday 11/30 is an optional performance.
 - (b) Hanover Township Tree Lighting on 12/6 is mandatory.
- 2. Uniforms- check uniforms for fit, stains, repairs. Trim tassels if needed.
- 3. Winter Season Updates Winter Performance in March. Info to follow.

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Event Information Updates

- 1. Wind Creek: 11/30/2024 (voluntary) Report to the outlets by 12:30PM. Students will play until approximately 1:00PM.
- 2. Hanover Township Tree Lighting: 12/6/2024 (mandatory) Report by 5:30PM. Event will last approximately 45 minutes.
- 3. Winter Concert: 12/11/2024 (mandatory) Orchestra/Jazz/Chorus Report by 6:30PM
- 4. Phantoms: 1/25/2025 (voluntary) performance on the ice. Chorus will sing the National Anthem and the Band will perform God Bless America.

B. Reminders

- 1. If there is a delayed opening for school there will NOT be early morning rehearsal but lessons will still take place on an amended schedule.
- 2. Monday 12/9 will be orchestra rehearsal instead of band to prepare for the winter concert.
- 3. You can upload event photos to the google drive, Mr. Zettlemoyer will sort and post them.

C. Trip Updates

- 1. Jazz Band Trip to NY for Big Band Holidays at Lincoln Center: 12/21/2024. Depart NMS at 11am. 4 tickets remain, contact Mr. Z if you'd like to purchase them. Final payment was due 11/8/2024. Anybody with an outstanding balance will get an email.
- 2. 8th grade Music Department & Dramatics Broadway Trip to see Hadestown 4/16/2025 is sold out. Cost was \$150 per person. First payment was due at the end of October, second payment is due 11/26/2024 and final payment is due 1/30/2025.
- 3. Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival 5/2-5/3/2024 \$400 per person. First payment of \$75 is due next week, payments 2,3 & 4 due in December, January and February. Though we are only collecting \$75 as an initial deposit NIMAS will be making a deposit of \$125 per person next week to secure our reservations. If you want to purchase the "Cancel for any reason" trip insurance which will give you 75% of your money back you can not pay for the trip in full before purchasing the insurance. Make your \$75 deposit, then add your insurance using the link on the page. Deadline to add that insurance is 12/10/2024.
 - (a) NIMAS will cover the expenses for the nurse, administrator, faculty members, trip shirts for all attendees and \$39 towards the cost of the chaperone's hotel rooms (double occupancy room makes the cost \$439 pp whereas the students are 4 to a room).
 - (b) Trip Itinerary: Depart Friday morning, stop at The Air and Space Museum at Dulles Airport before going to the parade performance in Winchester, VA. Following the parade we will proceed to our hotel. On Saturday we will travel to Washington DC for a lunch cruise on the Potomac River followed by site seeing and potentially another museum visit TBD.

D. Announcements

- 1. Mr. Zettlemoyer noted that Giant is currently offering Triple Bonus points on gift card purchases and speculated that people could potentially purchase our fundraiser gift cards to shop at Giant and use those cards to purchase other various gift cards for holiday gift giving.
- 2. The music department is holding a Taylor Candle Fundraiser headed by Mr. Wydrzynski from Chorus. Wax melt 3 packs \$15, 8oz aluminum tins \$11 and 17oz glass 3 wick candles \$30.
- 3. Chorus also has gift cards available to The Bayou and Whiz Kids in \$50 and \$100 denominations. These orders can be placed online.
- 4. There are only 5 band rehearsals remaining before the holiday break. 12/12/2024 is when Spring Concert prep begins for the concert at the end of April.
- 5. Lesson attendance is mandatory, if your child is having attendance issues you will be receiving an email. The lesson schedule is posted on Schoology, NMSIM.org and the band room door.
- 6. The second round of chair auditions are complete. These take place near the end of every marking period.
- 7. Anticipate Liberty band and orchestra auditions to take place in January. More information to follow.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Last year NIMAS sponsored the school Winter Dance. There has not been a request or dance scheduled for December, likely due to the long holiday break.

X. ACTION ITEMS

A. Please sign up to volunteer and get your clearances submitted.

XI. MOTION(S)

- A. Heidi Shalanskas made a motion to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting with no question or additions noted. Greg Bassett seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor and zero votes opposed.
- B. Peggy Feuher made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes with no questions or corrections noted. Raquel Hlavinka seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor and zero votes opposed.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Tomorrow at 7:00pm the school talent show and Chorus Performance will take place in the auditorium. This is a fundraiser for chorus. Tickets are \$5 and elementary school students are free.
- B. There is a printed calendar on the printed agenda available at all of our membership meetings. Please take one.
- C. Saturday is Matey's Pizza pick up from 9-10am.
- D. Next Wednesday 11/27 is the Chorus Department Dine to Donate at Qdoba from 4-8pm.
- E. Monday and Tuesday are half days for parent conferences. Thanksgiving Break begins Wednesday 12/27 and students return to school on Tuesday 12/3.
- F. Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 7:30 pm

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

A. President, Honorée Kerrigan adjourned the meeting at 8:29PM.

NIMAS CALENDAR

November	Wed. 20	7-7:25p	Krispy Kreme pick-up (Instrumental Music room)
	Sat. 23	9-10a	Matey's Pizza pick-up (Auditorium Parking Lot)
	Mon. 25 & Tue. 26		½ Day School
	Wed. 27	4-8p	Qdoba Dine to Donate for Vocal Music Dept.
	Wed. 27 – Mon. 2		No School (Thanksgiving)
	Wed. 30	12-2p	Santa Comes to The Outlets at Wind Creek

December	Tue. 3		Return to School
	Tue. 3	5-7p	Holiday Plant pick-up (Auditorium Lobby)
	Fri. 6	5:30-6:30p	Hanover Township Tree Lighting
	Wed. 11	7-8:30p	Winter Concert (Orchestra, Jazz, Chorus)
	Fri. 13	9a-12p	Music Department Field Trip to LHS
	Wed. 18	7:30p	NIMAS General Membership Meeting
	Fri. 20		½ Day School (In-Service)
	Sat. 21	10:45a-10:30p	Big Band Holidays trip to NYC (depart Nitschmann at 11am)
	Fri. 27	11a-9p	Pat's Pizza & Bistro Dine to Donate