**UMPS Meeting Minutes (Virtual Meeting)**

**February 1, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Co-Presidents Ann Sepersky and Sarah Wheeler. Ann and Sarah welcomed everyone to the UMPS meeting and thanked them for attending.

**Introductions**

The UMPS Board introduced themselves:

* Co-Presidents-Ann Sepersky and Sarah Wheeler
* Vice President-Mary Yank
* Treasurer-Carrie St. John (not present)
* Secretary-Sue Baker

**Minutes**

* Minutes from the January 7, 2021 meeting were presented for review. A motion was made by Sarah Wheeler and was seconded by Mary Yank to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

* Inflows: $910 Mask sales, $665 Show choir costumes (due to FHS) and $50 donation.
* Outflows: $540-12 USB interfaces-Band and $26.83 online store fees.
* A motion was made by Mary Yank and was seconded by Sarah Wheeler to approve the Treasurer’s report. Motion passed.

**Directors Reports**

Ms. Umhoefer presented.

**DEPARTMENT NOTES (SUMMARY OF THE PAST MONTH AND HIGHLIGHT OF UPCOMING EVENTS)**

* **BAND**
  + Students have begun **utilizing practice rooms** during class time; each student will have access for 10 minutes every other class period, with 30 minute windows of air circulation time between each use of a practice room.
  + Students are **preparing their solo repertoire**, with the option of participating in the WSMA Virtual Festival.
    - **Weekly video journals via Flipgrid** will be an important way for students to track and reflect on their growth throughout the quarter.
    - Here are the Quarter 3 lesson plans ([Wind Ensemble](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Z_OWwBDD8TCV301qlZX6Se-y5oKrP-abwZB3rTHIdQY/view), [Symphonic Band](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1R7O6CsesUuVAGbaQTMvTMHOvmSHuzykNyzLzbFwvn9s/view), [Concert Band](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/17bMd8ls9Bz0Dh6B2QoW5iWmpeCRwPQOKXqBU86GZw40/view)) and [assessment overview](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1M5XtdELzncIX9Z02Bx2miHOGZrwppBiwXsuG5csDm2Q/edit?usp=sharing).
  + We plan to share the tentative 2021 FHS Marching Band season calendar by the end of this week!
* **CHOIR**
  + Students are hard at work prepping their Solo and Ensemble music. Each choir student is learning a solo with the option of preparing an ensemble.
  + We spent the second half of last week making recordings for Virtual Jazz Cabaret.  Performances from the Energizers and Voce Eterna will be included.
  + Show Choir Costume fees are due via the UMPS Store - $35 per student. Thank you to those of you who have paid already. If you have not, Mrs. Heijnen will be sending out reminder emails.
  + Our spring musical has been cast and rehearsals have started. If students would like to be involved in any capacity, reach out to Mrs. Heijnen to join a production crew committee or stage crew.
* **ORCHESTRA**
  + Students finished out the semester strong and we took informal recordings of some of the repertoire we worked on.  January hit our groups hard, with many students being out in quarantine, but our in-person groups are slowly bouncing back to their usual size, which makes working collaboratively a much more pleasant experience.  Students are also working on adding to their OrchestRPG portfolios by choosing at least one new song to record and contribute.
* **ANY MUSIC DEPARTMENT FUNDING/VOLUNTEER REQUESTS**
  + Ms. Miracle submitted a request for reimbursement for WSMA medals for Forest Park Middle School music students.
    - Sarah Wheeler made a motion to approve the purchase of the first WSMA medal for Forest Park Middle School participants for a cost not to exceed $150. The motion was seconded by Ann Sepersky, motion approved.
  + Ms. Miracle provided updates on the FPMS music department to include the discontinuation of the annual spaghetti dinner.
  + Continued discussion on “Ambassador Parents” from FPMS (Band, Choir and Orchestra) to participate in UMPS meetings and share information with other FPMS parents.
  + Discussed ordering Marching Band Show Shirts after design finalized for distribution prior to the end of the school year.

**Update on Third Thursday Fundraisers**

* January-Portillo’s $91 profit.
* February-Point After.
* March-Mod Pizza.
* April-Georgie Porgie’s.
* May-Culvers.

**Other Business**

* Uniform cleaning.
  + Saturday 2/6-volunteers will prepare uniforms for cleaning. Uniforms will be grouped and logged prior to giving to cleaning volunteers.
  + Saturday 2/20-volunteers will pickup uniforms for cleaning. Cleaning instructions will be provided.
  + Saturday 3/6-volunteers will return cleaned uniforms. Volunteers will inventory all uniforms and determine if repairs are needed. If repairs needed, uniform will be logged and given to volunteer to repair. Uniform will be inventoried again upon return.
* UMPS store-Sarah is working on adding the UMPS store to the UMPS site.
* Craft Fair-pending.

There was a motion by Sue Baker to adjourn, second by Sarah Wheeler, motion approved.