**UMPS Meeting Minutes**

**May 4, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Co-Presidents Ann Sepersky and Sarah Wheeler, who 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 (absent)
* Treasurer-Nicole Hermann
* Secretary-Trevor Grove

Others in attendance went around the room and introduced themselves. 8 parents attended.

**February Minutes**

Trevor Grove moved to approve the meeting minutes for March, which was seconded by Sarah Wheeler. The motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

* The Treasurer’s report for March and April was reviewed and discussed. Full Treasurer’s report is filed at fhsumps.weebly.com 🡪 Meeting Documents
* A motion was made by Sarah Wheeler and was seconded by Tim Ohm to approve the Treasurer’s report. Motion passed.

**Educator Updates**

**No educator was able to attend, but the notes below were reviewed by the group in attendance:**

**UPCOMING MUSIC DEPARTMENT DATES/EVENTS**

* **WSMA STATE SOLO & ENSEMBLE FESTIVAL: SATURDAY, MAY 6, AT UW-PARKSIDE**
	+ [WSMA Schedule and Details](https://wsmamusic.org/festivals/state/parkside/) / [FHS-Specific Schedule](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1U3l-l1b62jQphXoveRu6jeTGZRmkxJIx_9sANeHO8hE/edit?usp=sharing)
* **FHS SPRING BAND CONCERT: MONDAY, MAY 15, 2023, AT 7 PM IN THE SABER CENTER**
	+ Student report time: 6:15 PM
	+ Dress: Concert Black / Dress Black
	+ At this performance, we will hear from the Concert/Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, and Combined Bands. We will also be recognizing the graduating Class of 2023!
	+ If students have a conflict with an athletic event, please let me know if I can assist with any communication with coaches. We truly appreciate all that students/families do to balance their busy schedules!
* **FPMS ORCHESTRA CONCERT: TUESDAY MAY 16TH AT 7:00 PM IN THE SABER CENTER**
	+ Student can report to their warmup areas in concert black.
	+ Call time is 6:30 PM for tuning and warmup
	+ Cello and Bass parents, make sure your student has a plan to get their instrument to/from the Saber Center.  Email Ms. Smith/ Ms Amys if you need help coordinating.
* **FHS ORCHESTRA CONCERT: MONDAY MAY 22ND AT 7:00 PM IN THE SABER CENTER**
	+ Student can report to their warmup areas in concert black.
	+ Call time is 6:30 PM for tuning and warmup
* **FPMS CHOIR CONCERT: WEDNESDAY, MAY 24 AT 7:00 PM IN THE SABER CENTER**
	+ Singers should report to the HS Choir room by 6:40 pm. (Follow the signs!)
	+ Concert Dress: Choir shirts and “fancy” bottoms (black/khaki pants or skirts)
		- If your choir student needs to purchase a new shirt, please bring $6 to Mrs. K. ASAP!
	+ All FPMS choirs will be performing
* **FHS CHOIR CONCERT: THURSDAY, MAY 25 AT 7:00 PM IN THE SABER CENTER**
	+ Singers should report to the HS Choir room by 6:40 pm.
	+ Concert Dress: Robes (Bella Voce, Cantus, Cantaré); Choir dresses, black character shoes (Energizers)
	+ All FHS choirs will be performing
	+ Please let Mrs. K. know if you need an official letter to request off of your job or if you have a sports conflict you need me to communicate to coaches-–the sooner the better!
* **FHS + FPMS SPRING JAZZ CONCERT: WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, AT 7 PM IN THE SABER CENTER**
	+ FHS student report time: 6:30 PM
	+ Dress: Concert Black / Dress Black with a TBD accent color
	+ This concert will feature performances by both FPMS and FHS Jazz. We will also be recognizing the graduating Class of 2023!
* **THURSDAY, JUNE 1: 2023 MARCHING BAND REHEARSAL AND MEETING**
	+ Stay tuned for a show concept announcement in the coming weeks!
	+ Rehearsal 6-7 PM in the FHS Band Room
	+ Meeting 7:15-8:00 PM in the FHS Library
	+ [2023 Marching Band Season Calendar](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hUQ7gBo_kI9WEfmeLTvpkLkL6dnYjoSwtzfFdgJqtUQ/edit?usp=sharing)
* **RESPONSE NEEDED: FHS BAND COMMENCEMENT PERFORMANCE RSVP - SATURDAY, JUNE 24, AT AMERICAN FAMILY FIELD**
* Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors: Please review the event details and RSVP to perform (either way) [HERE](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdeSi1Mn5tGtksdN_3otX9zr5Puq2BKX8Y-xAu0G5IXhzNk2g/viewform?usp=sf_link).
* **RESPONSE NEEDED: FHS BAND FRANKLIN CIVIC CELEBRATION (FOURTH OF JULY) PARADE PERFORMANCE - SUNDAY, JULY 2**
	+ Please note that the parade will take place on Sunday, July 2, this year.
	+ All students and alumni are encouraged to participate. [Please RSVP here](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdlgcA0LgZYD1LZLV2WtjGL83Df3ZnOqjaW9JJ34fWT3MCEMA/viewform?usp=sf_link)!

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

* **BAND**
	+ FPMS:
		- Congratulations to the 3 students who are preparing for State Solo and Ensemble this weekend.
		- We continue to prepare for our spring concert music. 8th Grade is really stretching themselves and making significant growth this concert cycle.
	+ FHS:
		- Congratulations to everyone who participated in the spring musical, ***Anything Goes***! We are so proud of students’ growth and performance with such a challenging and fun show.
		- Please see all performance details in the above “upcoming dates/events” section.
		- **We are in need of volunteers to help with marching band uniform cleaning. Everything is sorted and bagged in the FHS Uniform Storage Room (groups of 10 jackets or 20 pants). Is this something that UMPS would be willing/able to coordinate (recruit volunteers, facilitate pick-up and return, sorting and inventory)? We would like the uniforms to be returned by our Wednesday, June 28 rehearsal at the latest. Thank you for considering.**
* **CHOIR**
	+ FPMS
		- We are continuing to work toward our spring concert. Our ensembles are focusing on choir balance/blend and tone as we aim to become more mindful and communal musicians.
		- Our choir concert is Wednesday, May 24–be there or be square!
		- Concert details (times, concert dress, etc.) are listed above
	+ FHS
		- Preparation for the spring choir concert is underway and our students are doing amazing work! We are beginning the refining process as we near our concert day.
		- Please come to our choir concert on Thursday, May 25! The growth the HS ensembles have achieved this semester is great and we’ve got a wonderful program to share!
		- Concert details (times, concert dress, etc.) are listed above
* **ORCHESTRA**
	+ FPMS
		- Students are almost ready for our Spring Concert and have been working super hard!
	+ FHS
		- Congratulations to our students involved in Anything Goes in the pit, behind the scenes and on stage!
		- Good luck to our state participants at WSMA!
		- We’re looking forward to be a great concert celebrating our seniors on May 22nd!

**Fundraising Updates**

* Recent and upcoming Third Thursday events were reviewed.
* Future music department travel was discussed
	+ Possibility that department travel will resume in the future
	+ Will UMPS take on management of student fundraising accounts for travel? The group discussed the benefits of fundraising vs. the added recordkeeping, organizing and management burden. There was not a strong sense that UMPS would undertake this effort but, fundraising opportunities would be welcomed if someone felt strongly enough that he/she would want to organize/lead them.

**UMPS Scholarship Update**

* 10 applicants for the scholarship; winners would be announced on senior awards night.

**2023/2024 UMPS Board Positions**

* Nominations:
	+ Co-Presidents: Sarah Wheeler and Ann Sepersky
	+ Vice President: Mary Yank
	+ Treasurer: Lynn Nguyen
	+ Secretary: Trevor Grove
	+ Communications: Ryan O’Neil
* All of the nominees above were elected unanimously

**Events**

* Band Night/UMPS Meeting June 1
* Uniform cleaning: Volunteers needed to help launder the marching band uniforms again this summer. Ann Sepersky will be coordinating

**Other Business**

* Fall craft fair: looking for dates and a location. Need input from the school administration. Also looking for a spring date for next year.

There was a motion by Trevor Grove to adjourn, second by Sarah Wheeler; motion carried.