

UMPS Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Wendy Nielson. Wendy welcomed everyone to the UMPS meeting and thanked them for attending.

Minutes

Minutes from the March 1, 2018 meeting were presented for review. A motion was made by Patti Stengel and was seconded by Debbie Klein to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurers Report

Report will be presented at the March 26, 2018 UMPS meeting.

Directors Reports

Ms. Schlecht

Chicago Trip

- Kids did an amazing job preparing their music and had a blast in Chicago
- We will be performing our Chicago music at our spring concert

Chicagoland Showcase; Arlington Heights - Friday, March 2nd

- Sent out information to students and parents earlier in the week. You can view the itinerary and breakdown of the week by [clicking here](#).
- Bring bags to the dressing room first thing in the morning.
- Report to the choir room after 3rd hour/lunch. We will check bags and load the bus at 1:15.
- Our performance is at 8:30. Parents are welcome to come watch!
 - \$10 for Friday night entry; (\$8 for students and seniors)
 - \$15 for Saturday night entry; (\$10 for students and seniors)
 - \$20 for all weekend pass (\$15 for students and seniors)
- Some students will be staying overnight and attending the Saturday Competition to watch. Others are carpooling back.

Solo and Ensemble

- Students received emails about missing fees. Please turn them in to Miss Schlecht

Mr. Hull

- No report

Mrs. Umhoefer

FEBRUARY 12-28 REFLECTION

- **Thank you to all students and chaperones for a fantastic Chicago Performance Tour!** Even despite hitting Chicago morning traffic at the outset, students had a rewarding day of performing at Columbia College Chicago, exploring Michigan Avenue for lunch, attending the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, dining at Hard Rock Cafe, and experiencing Blue Man Group!

- **Announcing our 2018 field production: *Written in the Stars!*** The FHS Marching Band will be presenting a show inspired by Van Gogh's "Starry Night," and it will feature vibrant colors and even LED lighting. We are working with music arranger Alex Thode to create a custom production that will tentatively feature "When You Wish Upon a Star," "Lux Aurumque" by Eric Whitacre mixed with "Moonlight Sonata" and "Clair de Lune," and "Aurora Awakes" by John Mackey. We hope to have at least the first movement of our music ready to sight-read after spring break!

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Class Work:** Students are keeping journals of their WSMA practice, and they also completed repertoire research to better inform their performance and stylistic choices. Every three weeks, students will be submitting recordings of themselves playing, and they will participate in self- and peer reflections to receive valuable feedback throughout the 3rd Quarter/WSMA process.
- **Show Choir Combo: Chicagoland Showcase on March 2**
 - Meet at the start of 4th hour and bus to Arlington Heights
 - Performance time = 8:30 PM
- **Pit Orchestra:** Only one more rehearsal on our own and then we collaborate with the cast for a sitzprobe. Make sure everyone has Saturday, March 17, written on their calendars for our sound rehearsal, 1-6 PM in the Saber Center. Full schedule available at tinyurl.com/franklinmusical.
- **Solo and Ensemble - Saturday, March 24, at FHS**
 - Thank you to UMPS for sending out the sign-up document. We need all hands on deck for hosting this event! Thank you!
 - 17 sites this year. I hope to have the first version of the schedule out by next Wednesday, March 7, so that parents can see when their students are performing and sign up around those times.
 - Volunteers will receive correspondence from their chairperson the week of the event. Report time will be 30 minutes before a shift to go through a quick overview of job responsibilities.
- **2019 International Trip:**
 - Submitted our 2019 proposal to Mr. Vuolo for review. If given the green light by administration, it will then be brought to the school board.
 - If approved, we hope to announce it at the March 26 UMPS meeting, but it is dependent upon when other departments have their proposals ready to present.
 - We are looking at spring break: March 22-30, 2019. Assuming we will have already made the announcement, \$200 deposit will be due at the Thursday, May 3, UMPS meeting.

Business

- Butter Braids Fundraiser-sales from March 1st through March 12th. Pick up scheduled for 3/26 from 5:30pm to 7:00pm.
- Spring Craft Fair-40 vendors. Volunteers needed for event beginning with setup on Friday. Student sign up to perform during the event. Indoor percussion is scheduled to perform.
- WSMA-discussed in director reports.

Other Business

- Root River family day-scheduled for 6/13/18. Event is an opportunity to meet and spend time with music students and families of music students. Funds raised are designated to the Marching Band fund. More information forthcoming to include opportunities to volunteer. There is a sectional rehearsal scheduled for this day.

There was a motion by Tim Weissmann to adjourn, second by Christy Weissmann, motion approved.