

UMPS Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Co-President Sarah Wheeler, who welcomed everyone to the UMPS meeting and thanked them for attending.

Introductions of all present.

- Board members present: Sarah Wheeler, co-president; Ryan O'Neil, communications director; Lynn Nguyen, Treasurer.
- Board members absent: Ann Sepersky, Co-president; Trevor Grove, secretary; Mary Yank, Vice president
- Others in attendance went around the room and introduced themselves. 15 UMPS members attended.

Treasurer's Report

- The Treasurer's report for July and August were reviewed and discussed. Full Treasurer's report is filed at fhsumps.weebly.com Meeting Documents
- A motion was made by Amy Murray and was seconded by Tim Ohm to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Budget for 2023-2024

- Budget was presented by treasurer Lynn Nguyen and discussed by the members in attendance. Full Budget report is filed at fhsumps.weebly.com Meeting Documents
- A motion to approve was made by Roger Barbour and seconded by Kelly Thill. Motion passed.

Educator Updates Presented from email content sent by Allison Umhoefer, Band Educator.

- **6-12 Music Calendar**
 - [FHS Bands Calendar](#)
 - Plus...
 - **Tuesday, October 24:** 7-12 Spooky Orchestra Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - **November 9-12:** Fall Play (Thurs-Sat 7 PM, Sun 2 PM)
 - **Tuesday, November 14:** Band 6 "Informance" / Family Band, 7 PM Saber Center
 - **Thursday, November 16:** Band 7-8 Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - **Tuesday, November 21:** FHS Jazz Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - **December 8-9:** FPMS Drama Performances
 - **Tuesday, December 12:** FHS Winter Orchestra Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - **Wednesday, December 13:** FPMS Winter Choir Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - **Thursday, December 14:** FHS Winter Band Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - **Tuesday, December 19:** FPMS Winter Orchestra Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - **Wednesday, December 20:** FHS Winter Choir Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - **Saturday, January 6:** 3rd Annual 6-12 Festival of Bands, Clinics 12:30-2:30, performance at 4 PM, FPMS Gym
 - **Saturday, February 3:** FHS Jazz at New Trier Jazz Festival (all day)
 - **February 12-13:** Welcome to FPMS Music Nights (incoming 6th graders), 6-8 PM at FPMS
 - **Saturday, March 2:** WSMA District Solo & Ensemble Festival at Franklin HS (all day)
 - **March 14-17:** FHS Spring Musical (Thurs 6 PM, Fri-Sat 7 PM, Sun 2 PM)
 - **Saturday, April 6:** Jazz Cabaret (Clinics 2-4 PM, Performances 5-9 PM)
 - **Saturday, April 27:** WSMA State Solo & Ensemble Festival @ UW-Parkside
 - **Monday, May 13:** FPMS Spring Choir Concert, 7 PM Saber Center

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 - o **Thursday, May 16:** FHS Spring Choir Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - o **Monday, May 20:** FPMS 6-8 Spring Band Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - o **Tuesday, May 21:** FPMS Spring Orchestra Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - o **Thursday, May 23:** FHS Spring Band Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
 - o **Wednesday, May 29:** FHS/FPMS Spring Jazz Concert, 7 PM Saber Center
- **September Teacher Updates**
 - o Welcome to **Mr. Charles Kuban** (FPMS Band 6-8, FHS Concert Band) and **Ms. Rebekah Stege** (6-12 Orchestra) to our music team! We are very lucky and excited to have them as part of our staff and teaching students!
 - o **General note:** All FPMS and FHS families are asked to check Google Classroom and email regularly, and teachers will individually share syllabi, calendars, etc. Staff are looking forward to meeting with students and families at FHS open house on Thursday, September 7. Staff are also working on assembling a music department newsletter to share with families starting in October.
 - o **Marching Band Updates:**
 - **Volunteer opportunities (bus chaperones, pit crew, Saber Invite) - thank you for promoting!** We are in particular need of (10) more pit crew volunteers to help with the large swing set props.
 - **THANK YOU** to Jim Kabara, Chris Sepersky, Brad Holcomb, Tim Weissmann (alumni parent!), Gary Elkins, Brandon Sumiejski, Jake Charleston (alumni parent!) for their many, many hours constructing and working with students on props!!
 - **All Performance Day Schedules** (9/16, 9/23, 10/7, 10/14) were shared via email on August 30.
 - Thank you to all Saber Marching Invite chairpeople and volunteers; Mrs. Umhoefer looks forward to meeting with chairpeople at the meeting on Monday, September 11.
 - o **Music Department Travel Update:** We still intend to offer a travel experience for FHS music students in 2024. We had a set of dates approved by administrators, and then it was announced that prom would take place in the middle of the tour. We are in the process of securing new dates and itinerary details with our travel agent and administrators, and staff will share them with families ASAP. Mrs. Umhoefer apologizes for any staggered/unclear communication, and she knows that this is a time-sensitive endeavor. Please stay tuned via email.

Fundraising Updates

- Upcoming Third Thursday events were reviewed.

Fall Craft Fair

- Fall craft fair: update from Karla Holcomb. 83 of 92 booths are filled.
- Volunteers present took signs to post around the community to advertise the event on October 28, 2023.
- Request for volunteer to shadow Karla during the spring craft fair to take over as chair next year.

There was a motion by Tim Ohm to adjourn, seconded by Kelly Kotecki; motion carried.

Vanessa Kempka volunteered to record motions and seconds during this meeting as secretary was absent. Sarah Wheeler compiled minutes.