

PARKSIDE HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTERS

February 3, 2009

Welcome

Cindi welcomed the group. Some of the businesses that we asked for donations asked for our Mission Statement. When we looked at the statement, it was a little outdated. Cindi presented the following mission statement to replace the one that was previously used by the organization:

"The purpose of the Organization, Parkside Band Boosters, is to provide a mechanism for parents, educators, and students to cooperate collectively in the Parkside High School Band, Colorguard, and other Instrumental Music programs. In addition, the Organization will represent the band in securing financial support from various sources and maintain itself at all times so as not to conflict with the policies and philosophies of the Wicomico County Board of Education, the administration of Parkside High School and the Band Director; and to support the band in all of its activities."

This statement as accepted by the quorum that was present.

Band Director's Remarks

-Festival will be held on March 11, 2009 at WiHi. Parkside will be performing "Flashing Winds" and "The Heart of Lithuania" as well as a third song still to be determined. "The Heart of Lithuania" is from The Netherlands and Parkside may be the first ensemble to perform it in the United States.

-Nine members of Parkside's symphonic band made All Shore Band this year. Those students are: Emily Harris, Stephanie Gertsch, Eric Miranda, Juan Soto-Bown, Amanda Fodor, Mardi Davis, Tyler Harrington, Zach Goodman and Harry Mowery. The concert will be at WiHi in April. Congratulations to all!

-Small ensembles have started for the year. There are low numbers in the Jazz Band and KZ is hoping to get additional musicians. Brass quintet is practicing as well as the percussion ensemble. The color guard has already had 4 clinics and there are at least 16 new members interested in joining next year.

-KZ and Mike have already selected the Field Show for next year as well as its concept and color scheme. The music will be a custom arrangement done by a former member of the Crossmen Drum and Bugle Corp. With such a large guard, we may need some help in sewing some of the flags for next year.

Treasurer's Report-Felipe Arroyo

Felipe distributed the treasurer's report, we currently have approximately \$23,900 in our account.

Committee Reports-

RAM Cards-Katy Shockley reported that the RAM cards were a huge success this year. There are only a few left. We discussed selling those at half price to anyone that was interested. Katy has agreed to chair the RAM cards again next year.

A Night at the Ward Museum-Betty Gertsch and Cindi Hildreth spoke about the Wine Tasting to be held on March 28 from 6-9 at the Ward Museum; it will be business casual. Mike Vizzard from Cheers has agreed to supply the wine. We also have some beers available for tasting. Alan Goodman is working with some local chefs to provide some of the food. So far for the silent auction, we have dinner theater tickets, a wine basket, and Raven memorabilia. Please have all donations by the next meeting on March 3. There are letters to give to those who donate for tax purposes.

Closing Remarks/Needs for 2009-10

We would like everyone to start thinking about next year's officers. Cindi has agreed to continue as president along with Betty as vice president and Tammy as secretary. We will be needing someone to take over both the treasurers and assistant treasurers positions next year. Please think about it and let Cindi know if you are interested. Cindi thanked everyone for attending. There will be no meeting in January. The next meeting of the boosters is scheduled for Tuesday, March 3, 2009 at 715 due to teacher conferences at Bennett Middle.