

North Pocono Band Parents Meeting Minutes, August 6, 2009

The NPBP held their monthly meeting on August 6, 2009. Michelle Silvia called the meeting to order at 6:25 pm. The minutes from June 4, 2009 were accepted by Sue Savitski and seconded by Brenda Antosh.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Brenda Antosh reported the current starting balance for the students and the band parents is \$20,864.40. Student accounts are approximately \$5,360.35. Available to the band parents is \$4,914.49. The Disney CD balance is \$10,000. The treasurer's report was accepted by Donna Toth and seconded by Donna Mela.

**FUNDRAISING:** Students should look for the list of fundraisers for the upcoming year in the band room next month. The list will also be on the band website. The first fundraisers will be [greenraising.com](http://greenraising.com) (information will be available at meet the band night) and lottery tickets. Participation in the fundraisers is not mandatory. They are made available to help students raise money for the yearly band trips - remember to ask the teachers if they want to purchase any fundraiser items!

**DISNEY TRIP:** Mr. T. and travel agent, John Maddon, spoke about the trip. Dates are April 21-24, 2010. **PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE ACCORDING TO THE SCHEDULE HANDED OUT TO THE STUDENTS. A \$200 BALANCE MUST BE IN EACH STUDENT'S ACCOUNT BY SEPTEMBER 1.** Reservations and plane tickets need to be made far in advance for this trip. It is very important that the required balances be in the student's accounts on time so deposits can be paid. This trip cannot take place unless enough people commit to going. A non-refundable payment of \$100 per student will be made in November to the travel agent - so a firm commitment is necessary.

Buses will depart from the high school at 3:00 AM on April 21 for Newark Airport. Arrival at Disney will be 9:30 AM. The tentative schedule is: April 21: free time at MGM until approximately 8:00 pm, return to Caribbean Beach hotel and swimming. April 22: 2:00 pm performance in the parade, free time at Magic Kingdom, return to hotel for swimming and pizza party. April 23: free time at Epcot, laser show, return to hotel. April 24: free time at Disney until approximately 5:00 pm, depart for airport, 8:00 pm flight, arrive at Newark at 11:00 pm, buses arrive at high school at approximately 2:00 AM. (Students must be in school on Monday). Price of trip includes 3 breakfast and 3 dinner tickets. If any parent is interested in being a chaperone, a sign up sheet will be available at the next band parents meeting and meet the band night; however, signing up is not a guarantee of being chosen - space is limited.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Barbara Todaro read a thank you note from Dr. Eisele for the donation made to the Disabled American Veterans in his late father's name by the band parents.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Please fill out and return your band parent membership forms. Membership entitles the student to be considered for the senior scholarships given by the band parents. Students must be members for all four years.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

August 24 - Band trip to Dorney Park. Cost is \$25. (Motion by Carrie Goul and seconded by Sue Savitski, buses will be paid for by the band parents).

September 1 - Meet the band at 6:30 pm in the stands of the football stadium.

September 4 - first football game at home. Band members must attend all football games unless excused.

October 4 - Collegiate marching band festival in Allentown. Check the band website for details.

**NEXT BAND PARENTS MEETING:** September 3 at 6:30 in the band room of the new high school. Please check the website in case the location of the meeting changes.

Motion to adjourn by Donna Mela, seconded by Brenda Antosh. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.