

MEPA General Meeting 7/20/21

713pm Call to Order

Judy- Introduce Board Members and Roles

- 1) NINA HERSCH-Hospitality
  - a. Calendar – it is posted highlighting upcoming events
    - a. Band Camp 1
    - b. Chic Filet – Friday 7/23/2021
    - c. Car Wash & Pieology Fundraiser
    - d. Band Camp 2
    - e. Bowling
    - f.
  - b. Forms- All are due. Lauren is Collecting.
  - c. Please join The Hospitality Committee
  
- 2) JUDY for Yanira, VP
  - a. Communications
  - b. Band App
  - c. Follow us on FB & Instagram
  - d. Please chat with Judy, Yanira or Suzanne if you are not getting emails
  - e. CAR WASH- \$5 per ticket (total of \$25 will be credited to accounts if sold) OR must be returned.
  
- 3) SUSANNE LIIN- Treasurer
  - a. Membership Dues:
  - b. 2nd 7/15 \$225
  - c. 3<sup>rd</sup> 8/15 \$225
  - d. FINAL 9/15 \$225

\*BEST WAY TO Pay- Zelle. IF your last name is different, please include your child's full name to ensure the payment is applied properly. Checks can be mailed/dropped in black box/band room- if your child is responsible. A credit card will incur 3% charge via charms.

\*\$925 includes: Design team, staff, costumes, props, competition fees, MEPA Overhead fees

IT DOES NOT include: Transportation/Hotel/Meals for 2 overnight competitions. These typically range a couple hundred \$ each.

\*Scholarships and Financial Aid are available

- 4) BB&T – Miguel Russo – Assistant to the Treasurer
  - a. Our program earns \$ and each volunteer earn \$50 plus tips towards points which can be applied to band fees, trips, band store etc.
  - b. Upcoming event August 8<sup>th</sup>- Monster Jam

- c. Posted Hockey Dates on Sign up Genius
  - d. No alcohol training – General online training only
  - e. Great way to get involved/meet other MEPA Parents
  - f. Please email all questions to Miguel Russo at [BBTMSD@gmail.com](mailto:BBTMSD@gmail.com)
- 5) Janet Negron- Fundraising
- a. Upcoming Events-
    - a. July 24<sup>th</sup> CAR WASH- 2 shifts. Students have been assigned their shifts
    - b. August 7<sup>th</sup> BOWLING- AMF ON 441 7PM TO 9PM
    - c. August 20<sup>th</sup>- Pops n Pies – Oppty to watch the kids perform the unveiling of the show on the football field. Raffles, Pizza. By next band Camp each kid will receive an assignment to bring either a gift card or item. Volunteers we need you!
    - d. Email: [fundraising@eagleregiment.com](mailto:fundraising@eagleregiment.com)
    - e. Garage Sale - potential opportunity- need a volunteer to lead
- 6) Tricia Yaipen
- a. Sends out info via sign up genius for volunteer opportunities/upcoming events
  - b. Regiment Store \* Uniform Requirements/Forms
  - c. Broward County Volunteer Badge
  - d. Duffel Bag- Have been coming along- mandatory
  - e. Forms will go out via Band app, Charms and Email
  - f. LIST OF ITEMS: Spirit shirt (field trips etc)..show shirt \*parents often wear for competitions and football games) ORDER DUE SOON...White Shirts...Poncho...Baseball Hat (new version – not for color guard)..Gloves for Band and Guard....also available: lanyard, sunglasses, magnets. These items will be available at pops n pies.
- 7) Karl Liin- Field Crew
- a. Video Presentation highlighting all of the fun over the years
  - b. Goal is to take care of the kids
  - c. Takes an army to move all of the equipment and get it ready for performances
  - d. Take care of the fleet of vehicles- a trailer, 2 box trucks and one eaglet
  - e. Repair everything
  - f. Need lots of volunteers- men and women
- 8) Judy – Business
- a. We need to amend the bylaws (see slide)
  - b. Approved regarding percussion and assistant treasurer (with correction)
  - c. Band does NOT end after November 20<sup>th</sup>- we have winter guard and winter percussion. You DO NOT have to be a percussionist or a guard member to participate.
- 9) Mr. Rivero
- a. Directors Report -Vision for the season and Vision for the Future
  - b. Contact information :
    - Cell: 305 506 5172
    - Office: 754 322 2192
    - Email: [Skrivero@eagleregiment.com](mailto:Skrivero@eagleregiment.com)

- c. Band App- you can monitor your alerts
- d. Monday Morning Updates: Band Room update.
- e. Strive to give the students a platform to grow
- f. If you don't know something, ask your child first as they should know what's going on – impt that we join the band app
- g. Last 16 months have been very difficult. ER Has a very successful history. Rivero was offered a position here twice – third time is the charm. After 13 years at Flannagan.
- h. Really his 3<sup>rd</sup> year – but on active duty past 16 months
- i. We have just over 100 kids...lost a lot of kids...but in a good position compared to other bands in the county
- j. No plan exists for COVID- prior...during or after- we must remain flexible.
- k. This is an important group of parents- ready to shape these students/future- physical, social and emotional
- l. We need to recreate a great program
- m. Main Message- I am just here to take things to the next level.
- n. No alternates- every kid marches
- o. Parent involvement is as impt as ever.
- p. Vision for the ER – WE want them to be know for a lot more than we are already known for.
- q. Next Year – going to two places we have never gone before- Indianapolis and London
- r. Macy's Day Parade- within the next 4 years
- s. If we see a necessary change required – we must make it happen
- t. We must adapt and overcome
- u. We forecast 125 after spring training....we are at 106...we had forecast 185
- v. NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm
- w. MEETING ENDED AT 840PM