

Spectrum Band Parents – Meeting Minutes April 4, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:13pm, welcome and introductions.

Attendance: Christine SurrIDGE (President), Kirsten Wright (VP), John Hajecek (Secretary), Alison Sheehan, Melanie Lau, Cindy Ralph, Blair Carrie, Erin Wiles, Malia Allan, Parker Jolliffe

Welcome and Introductions

- Motion to approve March minutes by Alison, seconded by Kirsten, passed
- Motion to approve agenda by John seconded by Kirsten, passed

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer is away – balances below, does not include bus company cheque for over \$3000 or which \$2000 will be reimbursed by Spectrum PAC
- Financial Report
 - General: \$4202.57
 - Student Fundraising: \$14,816.96
 - Uniform Maintenance: \$3,909.61
 - Christmas Craft Market: \$8,538.41

Parker's Report

- Festivals and current events
 - Reminder of April/May festival dates - Port Alberni, option to start at 1:00 rather than 2:30, look at WildPlay option depending on how many students want to go
 - Open Townsite Jazz Festival Powell River, Thursday through Sunday – Brooks Secondary hosting
 - Waitlist for choir festival for 3rd week of April
 - West Coast Jazz Festival April 30/May 1 in Nanaimo at VIU
 - Grade 6 band festival May 16 – Spectrum hosting
 - Music Monday with Marigold, choir or band hosting
 - Parades – Buccaneers May 11, Oak Bay June 1
 - All classes continuing strong next year – no attrition, Senior Concert Band at 46 students, Junior Concert Band at 55-60, Choir getting close to 50 – lots of Grade 9's joining.
 - The final concert for the choir will be separate from band and will do a concert with Esquimalt and Mount Doug at Christ Church – tentatively set for end of May or June
 - AGM on May 30
- Spain/Portugal 2025
 - Waitlist for trip – currently capped at 45; have 50 kids signed up
 - Gone back to Ellison for numbers to fill a 56 passenger bus – need to look at cost.
 - No financial commitments thus far and may lose some at time of first payment
 - Feedback has been really positive – there is a lot of interest.
 - Students on waitlist will get a letter outlining what can be expected, next email will be a full breakdown of everything

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Discussion Points

- Update on Fundraising
 - Burger/beer night
 - Hecklers (comedy club) approached, did not hear back yet
 - Private movie screening
 - Community event, cannot be Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Tuesday
 - Pick a day, fill out a form, 2 weeks lead, guaranteed movie and date
 - No fixed price for us to charge – cost to us is adult \$15 and kids \$10
 - Minimum ticket order is 50 for Monday or 100 for Wednesday or Thursday
 - Theatre size varies from 100 person capacity to 300 person capacity
 - Have a list of all movies to December
 - Can put an event together fairly quickly for June or early September
 - Suggested (our) pricing adult \$20, kid \$25
 - Can also work in a reduced concession using vouchers
 - Cheese and Flower orders due Friday
 - Contact student – students to distribute cheese
 - Tax line a problem for Flowers order form – if you can factor tax in please do
 - Flowers arriving May 24, 2024
 - Bottle drive on May 25, Blair volunteered to run the event, Tarrie has materials
 - Other possible fundraisers
 - With 3 feeder school and lots of new students, we could establish a mentorship program with Spectrum students providing lessons and charging a fee.
 - Similar idea to Kelly Montgomery doing switch band in June
 - Used to do something similar with ‘Morning with a Pro’ who would teach instruments some Saturdays. Parker to talk to Kelly and Jen

Motion to adjourn meeting by Cindy, seconded by Kirsten, passed.

Meeting adjourned 7:49 pm