

**NPMA General Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 17, 2019
Cafeteria, North Penn High School, Lansdale**

Welcome and Approval of June 2019 Meeting Minutes

Connie called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Steve Hammond made the motion to accept the April/May minutes; 2nd by Jenny Platt; motion carried; minutes approved.

Connie welcomed all new and returning parents to the meeting.

Elections:

Asst. Treasurer candidate: Alicia Hayes presented and was approved. Jen Karpf made a motion to accept; 2nd by Steve Hammond; candidate approved.

INTRODUCTION of our NEW Band Director Mr. Joe Santanello

Mr. Santanello spoke about the benefits and opportunities of being a marching band member. He shared his background information (Quakertown HS). Mr. Santanello informed us that almost all of the prior year staff would be returning for another year. Took time to answer questions from parents and shared his open door/email policy with parents.

Highlighted requirements for a successful June and August band camps: water, hat, sunscreen, bug spray and worn sneakers. In August, students will be provided a dinner and to inform staff of any dietary restrictions.

Shared Knight of Sound event - scheduled for Sep. 14

This will be North Penn's home show and will require numerous volunteers (concession stand, escorts, etc.). More information to follow.

Also announced Disney Trip 2020 4/6-4/11 pending board approval. This trip is for NPMK, Jazz Bands, Concert Band, Chambers Choir and Orchestra. Cost estimated at \$1,500/student. Details to follow in a separate Disney trip meeting.

Shared information via slidedeck presentation:

What Does the Season Look Like - 3 slides of events/commitments with accompanying dates

Where and When Do I Get Information - slide of resources

Ways to Volunteer - listing of events and roles for volunteering

- Reminder that Chaperones/Nurses require clearances, applications can be found in the school district website, identify NP Marching Knights on application
- Disney trip will require fundraising chairs - consider volunteering

How Can I Help My Child Succeed - tips for a successful band camp experience

- Mr. Santanello stressed the importance of hydration (night before, morning of). Recommended avoiding caffeine.

Explained the use and location of the Blue Box - all payments to go into this designated marching band box located in the band room. Requested all to include student's name and school ID on memo section of checks to aid in student financial reconciliation.

Also instructed parents on the counter clockwise student drop off process for the back band parking lot.

Meeting shifted over individual Section Breakout Session discussions.

Executive Officer Summary Reports

- Connie announced the outgoing and incoming board members along with the elected chairpersons.

Upcoming Events

- Mini Band Camp June 20th, 3-9 p.m. 21st 3-9 p.m. & 22nd 9-3 p.m.

Elected Chairpersons Summary Reports (As Applicable)

Uniforms – Rose Durkin

- Rose showed parents all parts of the band uniform (dinkles, wristies, football and competition pants, etc) and stadium coat cleaning instructions (acceptable to machine wash, but no dryer).

Stephen Hammond motioned to adjourn the meeting; 2nd by Jen Karpf; motion carried; meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Next General Meeting - Monday, August 19 at 6:30 pm

Minutes taken and submitted by Annemarie Thornton, Recording Secretary