

**NPMA General Parent Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 18, 2023
NPHS, A033 at 7:30 pm**

Welcome and Approval of August 2023 General Parent Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by John Ashley at 7:34 PM.

Motion to approve the August meeting minutes by Kenneth Felton. Seconded by Sue Ahart.

Minutes approved.

Executive Officer Summary Reports

- **1st Vice President / Fundraising – Kevin Hendricks**
 - Dine Arounds:
 - Margarita's and Chipotle: waiting on totals to come in.
 - Texas Roadhouse: 10-11-23 from 4-8pm
 - Fundraising Plans/Schedule of Events:
 - Philly Sports raffle... Tickets sent to the Raffle Company at the end of September. If done selling, put your packet into the blue box.
 - Football Mania is back. Selling tickets now. E tickets only...use the link in the bulletin. \$10 of every ticket sold goes to student credit. The earlier you get into it, the more weeks you have to possibly win.
 - Freddy Hill mini golf tickets in stock. Six dollars each with 1 dollar going to student credit.
 - Clothing Drive being set-up for Saturday, November 11th. Start cleaning out your closets to prepare.
 - Yeti cooler raffle will happen at KOS. Andrea Hinderliter has some tickets we can use; she will check on how many and let Kevin Hendricks know.
 - Julie Hanley said that swim team sold these all summer. They need to be filled with goodies or people don't buy the tickets. Suggested \$10 per ticket.
- **2nd Vice President / Publicity/Sponsorship – Rachel Hendricks**
 - Sign up for the Facebook page if you haven't done so already. This is a great place to receive information or ask questions. We are coming up on the busiest part of the season, so it is important to stay as connected as possible. It is called 2023-2024 NPMA Parent Connection. Parent fliers available to pick up with joining information.
- **Mr. Santanello**
 - Happy to see so many parents at this meeting! Attendance seems to be picking up and that is great!

- Things are going well so far. Excited to get the show going. We are a little later than normal, but it is more complex in design than we're used to. It is on the cutting edge. Very technical and creative. The next 12 days are going to be crazy busy to prepare for the first competition.
 - Show Uniforms will be handed out and props ready for the first show. We may not have the entire show ready for 9/30. We will continue to add new elements every week.
 - Thank you to all parents who have volunteered so far. Things are going well.
 - Expect that uniforms may not fit when they are handed out. If you are adept at hemming pants, we would love your help! Please let Deb Weed or Mr. S. know if you are willing to help with hemming.
 - Still at 112 members! We have been growing since 78 in 2018.
- **Treasurer – Melissa Fusco**
NPMA Treasurer's Report August 2023

Balances as of August 31, 2023.

- o Checking = August Closing Balance \$ 84,963.02
- o SC Market= \$14,495.88
- o Holding Money Market= \$ 3,500.09

Income for August \$ 26,504.15

(Fundraising \$3.4K , Donations \$10.6K, Participation Fees \$8.6k, Concessions 9.4K)

Expenses for August -\$32,132.52

(Fundraising -\$2.8K, Participation Fees -\$4.7K, Show Expense -\$5.4K Concessions -\$9K, Staff -\$18.5, Operating -\$300)

- Sales Tax Exempt Status - successfully renewed!
 - We could request refunds from a handful of companies we paid sales tax to.
 - Parent question about food budget for the snack stand. Can we increase the budget since we run out of things (hot dogs) 3rd quarter? Tori S. and Kenneth F. explained that if we don't run out by then, we end up throwing food away. Patrons typically buy something else if we are sold out of an item. We would rather run out than waste food. We usually have about a 50% profit.

Any questions should be sent to npma.treasurer@gmail.com

- **Assistant Treasurer – Sue Ahart**
 - We ran Venmo in the last home game and it went well. Made about \$500 in Venmo sales.
 - Parent asked if we can look into Cash App. It seemed like Venmo was more popular, but kids don't usually have Venmo. We have looked into various electronic payment options. Wifi is sketchy in the stadium and certain electronic payment systems need special devices. We will continue to research.
- **Recording Secretary – Laurel Kennedy**
- **Corresponding Secretary – Leslee Blahut**
 - Thank you, parents, for reading the bulletin! We know it can be lengthy. As the season progresses, we may begin a Wednesday bulletin for schedule changes and updates.

Unfinished Business

- Open positions according to listing in ByLaws:
 - Audit - We need a third volunteer who is not on the Executive Board. If you are an accountant, or just like numbers and would like to help, please let John Ashley or Melissa Fusco know.
 - NP District Liaison
- Additional roles listed in 22-23 spreadsheet - Nurses, KOS Program Book (Christy Johannesson)
- List of additional volunteers for 2023-2024:
 - Alumni Coordinator - Christy Johannesson
 - Band Banquet - Terry Sullivan expressed some interest. John Ashley will talk with her.
 - Hospitality Knight - Rachel Hendricks. Starts Thursday, Sept. 28th @ 8pm and runs pretty much every Thursday
 - Hospitality Knight is basically an open rehearsal during the last hour of Thursday rehearsals. We usually see them do a full run through of the show. Spirit wear is for sale. You can get to know other awesome band parents.
 - Also a good time to get Raise Right GCs, Wawa & Freddy Hill coupons, etc.
 - Snacks and drinks also available.
- NPWP home show approved - March 16th

- Need a chairperson. If you know your child is going to do WP and you would like to volunteer to head this up, please let John Ashley know.

New Business

- Special Election - Deb Weed for Uniforms. Motion to vote for Deb as Uniforms chairperson by Andrea H., seconded by Greg H. Unanimous vote yes. Congrats, Deb!
- Champs - 10/28
 - Most sections should be meeting soon. If you haven't heard from your section leader parent yet, you should be very soon.
- Trunk or Treat - TBD. Will not be on Halloween, but sometime that week.
- Knightmares - Planning for Nov 2nd.
- Trailer Cleaning / Wrap
 - Our band trailer cosmetically is in terrible shape. It's an embarrassment at competitions.
 - We have a lead to get it wrapped. They recommend we do not attempt to wash it any further so we don't take the finish off and ruin it further.
 - \$4000 estimated to get it wrapped. Not in our budget for this year, so we could vote on it and approve a deficit. Or we could wait until closer to the end of the season.
 - We also didn't budget for a WP home show, so that will generate profit we didn't count on.
 - Parent asked about the life expectancy of the trailer and how long the wrap will last.
 - Greg H. said physically the trailer is in good shape. The truck pulling the trailer is NPSD and not in good shape.
 - NPSD and NPMA split the cost to originally purchase the trailer, so it is titled to NPSD.
 - The new wrap should last 8-10 years and should be cleaned annually.
 - We would supply the art work, It would take a week to create the wrap, and then 2 days to actually wrap it.
 - Andrea Hinderliter made a motion to approve up to \$4500 to wrap the band trailer. Seconded by Dave Seibel. Unanimous vote yes! New, snazzy NPMK band trailer here we come!!!
 - Liz Overton asked if we can look into donations to help. John Ashley said we could possibly look into advertisers on the trailer.
 - Discussion about the logo and artwork for the side. We need to find out from NPSD if they create it or we can create it ourselves.

Elected Chairpersons Summary Reports (As Applicable)

- **Quartermaster – Greg Hinderliter**

- Old props are taken care of and have been removed from the garage.
- Large podium has collapsed (Mr. Santanello just sent a picture to Greg H.) Greg will take a look at the damage and what we can do to salvage it.
- Knight Crew Sign Ups for 2023-2024
 - Football games have been fairly easy due to the cheese show.
 - Will need more people once the competition show starts.
 - Crew tailgates and gets in the event for free. They travel ahead of the band both ways to unload first.
 - Parents should not pull along the curb outside the band lot for pickup. This is where buses load and unload the kids.
 - We have another nominee for Quartermaster. Greg H. will add it to the next meeting agenda.

- **Refreshments (Concessions) – Victoria Shaffer / Kenneth Felton**

- Friendly reminder that this is Tori's last year, so if anyone wants to take over next year, she will be glad to show you the ropes.
- Kenneth F. reminded the parents to make sure you get your volunteer hours in. Some people signed up for the discount and haven't started volunteering yet.

- **Sewing/Uniforms – Deb Weed**

- Show uniforms anticipated later this week. Could be handed out Saturday.
- Ordering 50 more gauntlets.
- Looking into more stadium coats as well.
- Make sure they have high black socks with no other color on them.
- Reach out to Deb if you are good with hemming.
Npma.uniforms@gmail.com

- **Student Financials – Kim Sisian**

STUDENT CREDIT as of 8/31/23

Raise Right: \$ 649.14

Wawa \$ 183

Total Student Credit earned: \$ 832.14

FUND BALANCES as of 8/31/23

· Total Student Credit: \$5728.77

· Knights in Need Fund: \$6783.21

- Director's Fund: \$ 728.80
- Instrument Replacement Fund: \$ 10
- Trophy Fund: \$ 270

Volunteer hours as of 9/8 are now entered under the **Points** tab in CHARMS

Outstanding payments as of 9/17:

NPMK Payment #1 (July) - 10 Students

NPMK Payment # 2 (Aug) - 18 students

t-shirts - 1 students

UDB App - 1 students

CG tights – 1 student

CG Shoes – 1 students

- **Knight of Sound - Andrea Hinderliter**
 - Volunteer signup genius went out. More to come for concessions, parking, etc. Keep an eye on the facebook page.
 - Christy J. - encourage your artistic children to enter the program book cover contest.
 - The KOS program book is just for KOS.

General Questions/Comments

- Parent asked if we received picture day ordering info yet. No info yet. John Ashley will follow up with Mr. S.
- We are in desperate need of chaperones and a nurse for the first competition on 9/30 at CB South.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Andrea Hinderliter.

Seconded by Greg Hinderliter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM.

Next General Parent Meeting - Monday, October 16th 7:30 p.m.

Attendees: John Ashley, Laurel Kennedy, Andrea Hinderliter, Greg Hinderliter, Melissa Fusco, Leslee Blahut, Rachel Hendricks, Kevin Hendricks, Sue Ahart, Kim Sisian, Tori Shaffer, Kenneth Felton, Debbi Weed, Tiffini Voss, Nikki Rounay, Christy Johannesson, David Seibel, Sue Mooney, Jen Dressler, Liz Lieb Overton, Julie Hanley, Steph Rogovin, Russ Brodsky, Sandy



Brodsky, Karin Rhea, Jeremy Magland, Sue Ahart, Jen Ely, Margaret Ridge, Amy Walters, Michelle Ashley, Laura Moore, Mike Moore, Megan Pozzi, Andreah Sanders, Tyshaan Williams, Rachel Ponzek, Carolyn Gomes, Christina Tucker, Jennifer Kendig, Donnie Eddins, Veronica Eddins, Emily Norton, Theresa Pinckney, Jen Butler, Gretchen Schneider, Saujanya Aeri, Bikrant Aeri, Mary Mosher, Melissa Stigler, Abirami Mahendran, Kelley Lanyi, Nancy Stimson, Jeff Goldstein, Frances Smith, Christine Erb, Nilu Jayasuriya, Donna Hegge, Megan Cahsdollar, Jitendra Satpute