

**NPMA General Parent Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, November 16, 2023  
NPMS, Audion at 7:00 pm**

**Welcome and Approval of October 2023 General Parent Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order by John Ashley at 7:04 PM.

Motion to approve the October general parent meeting minutes by Kevin Hedricks.

Seconded by Deb Weed.

Minutes approved.

**Executive Officer Summary Reports**

- **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President / Fundraising – Kevin Hendricks**
  - Dine Arounds:
    - TBD
    - Future dine-arounds will be posted in the bulletin.
  - Fundraising Plans/Schedule of Events:
    - Freddy Hill mini golf tickets in stock - great stocking stuffer!
    - Wawa to be in stock again soon (within next two weeks). Another great stocking stuffer!
    - Bag Bingo Friday Dec 1st. Tickets on sale now. Come and bring ALL your friends and family! This is a huge fundraiser. Have sold about 140 tickets and we can sell about 300 total. PLEASE push ticket sales; it is a fun night!
    - Clothing Drive Update - 2001 pounds donated. Made about \$371.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President / Publicity/Sponsorship – Rachel Hendricks**
- **Treasurer – Melissa Fusco**

***NPMA Treasurer's Report October 2023***

Balances as of October 31, 2023

o Checking= October Closing Balance \$92,640.42

o SC Market= \$14,496.13

o Holding Money Market= \$ 3,500.20

**Income for October \$49,086.37**

*(Participation Fees \$3k , Donations \$642, Concessions \$27.8k KoS \$13.8k )*

**Expenses for October -\$30,920.50**

(Participation Fees -\$2,2k, Show Expense -\$2.8 , Staff -\$6.8, Concessions-\$15.2, KoS -\$482 )

- Small Games of Chance License Renewed
- **John Ashley thanks everyone who helped out with KOS. We made almost \$14,000 and it wouldn't have happened without parent and administration support!**

Any questions should be sent to [npma.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:npma.treasurer@gmail.com)

- **Assistant Treasurer – Sue Ahart**
  - All money has been deposited. Will check the blue box tonight for anything new.
  - If anyone has feedback about other electronic payment apps. please let Sue know. We are considering other options in addition to Venmo. Many have asked about Cash App and that is one we are thinking about.
- **Recording Secretary – Laurel Kennedy**
  - Nothing to report.
- **Corresponding Secretary – Leslee Blahut**
  - The bulletin will continue to come out on Sunday nights.
  - **Please do not unsubscribe in the off season!!** It makes resubscribing near impossible. Just delete it or ignore it until it applies to you again.

### **Unfinished Business**

- List of additional volunteers for 2023-2024:
  - Band Banquet - Chair(s) Needed! Christina Tucker offered to co-chair with someone. We need someone to work with her.
    - Banquet does not have to be the same setup as in the past. Open to new ideas and dates (previously always held memorial day weekend).
  - Scrip Coordinator
    - Victoria Shaffer will take over for the remainder of the year.
- NPWP home show approved
  - Need a chairperson. Dave Seibel has volunteered.
- Trailer Wrap
  - Working on artwork

## **New Business**

- 2024 Considerations
  - Be sure to fill out the parent survey from Mr. Santanello. John Ashley will meet with Mr. S. to review the feedback and help make decisions for next year.
  - The last two weeks of the season are pretty chaotic and we may make some changes to ease things up in the future.
    - Trunk or Treat will most likely not be necessary since NPMK does not have rehearsal on Halloween night any longer.
- **Indoor Programs Discussion**
  - Indoor guard participation should be in the low 20s. The fee this year is \$350, plus a MANDATORY \$500 trip, plus an additional warm-up uniform for about \$150. Knights in need cannot be used for the trip. They may lose a few participants due to the \$1000 out-of-pocket cost.
  - Indoor Percussion will also have about 20ish participants and has a \$485 fee. Sean Haddad is asking NPMA for an additional \$5000 for his IP budget. Our budget approved \$23,000 for IP based on the \$22,000 they spent last year. He asked for \$30,000 last year, but NPMA said no since we were still rebuilding our budget from Covid. Much of this additional money would be put towards staff pay. Percussion requires a lot of staff because each instrument requires a different specialist. The music writing is also costing them more this year because they had to use someone new to write it and they are more expensive. Finally, they would like to purchase better uniforms than last year. There will be an Indoor Percussion home show this year to bring in revenue which will hopefully offset some of this increase in budget.
  - Questions/Comments:
    - Julie Hanley asked about Indoor Guard and their budget. It is about \$12,000 and they have about 4 staff members.
    - WP has about 10 staff members and a \$23,000 budget. Parents think it should be more equal.
    - NPSD pays for the directors (Sean Haddad and Matt Hurley). They also pay for a floor each year that is supposed to alternate, but IP has taken it the last 3 years.
    - Indoor directors need to reach out to the board with what they need before the first week of November so we can incorporate it into the budget.
    - Mike Mooney made a motion to give \$5000 more to the IP program.
    - Andrea Hinderliter amended the motion to give \$2500 to both indoor groups. The \$2500 for Indoor Guard can be used to lower the cost of their trip.

- 23 votes in favor of the amended motion, 0 opposed. It's a unanimous decision to give \$2500 to each indoor program.
- This will reduce the trip cost by about \$125 for each indoor guard participant.
- Election of Dave Seibel as Co-Quartermaster
  - Greg Hinderliter nominated Dave Seibel for Co-Quartermaster, Andrea Hinderliter seconded. Unanimously voted yes. Welcome, Dave!
- As is custom, the December General Parent Meeting is Canceled. Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 16, 2024.

### **Elected Chairpersons Summary Reports (As Applicable)**

- **Quartermaster – Greg Hinderliter**
  - Inventory of NPMK supplies, old props, etc. once the play wraps up.
  - Large Podium Update - North Montco advanced welding class will fix it for us at low or no cost and it should be ready for next outdoor season.
  - Garage cleanup session before Winter programs get going.
  - Props construction for Winter Percussion/ Visual Ensemble.
  - Trailer update - artwork submitted by a NP student. Board gave him some feedback and he is going to revise it.
  - Mike Mooney has volunteered as third quartermaster. We will vote on this at the January meeting.
- **Refreshments (Concessions) – Victoria Shaffer / Kenneth Felton**
  - Tables can be returned if you loaned one.
  - Will be getting rid of some old gear that concessions no longer uses.
  - Nikki Rounay has volunteered to take over for Tori as concessions co-chair next year. This will be voted on at the January meeting.
  - Historically there have been 3 concessions chairpersons, so please reach out to Kenny, Tori, or John Ashley if interested in joining the team.
- **Sewing/Uniforms – Deb Weed**
  - Mardi Gras parade this weekend. Pants can be wiped clean if needed.
  - Traditionals will be collected after memorial day, so please keep them hung neatly for the remainder of the year. They will be dry cleaned over the summer.
  - Blue Santa hats will be pulled out of the garage by Greg H. for the Mardi Gras parade Hoping we have enough for 11 more kids...

- **Student Financials – Kim Sisian**

**STUDENT CREDIT as of 10/29/23**

Raise Right: \$ 423.05

Wawa: \$ 196.00

Philly Sports Raffle ticket: \$400.00

**Total Student Credit earned: \$1019.05**

**FUND BALANCES as of 10/29/23**

- Total Student Credit: \$ 7,688.61
- Knights in Need Fund: \$6,937.21
  - Director's Fund: \$ 753.80
- Instrument Replacement Fund: \$ 10
- Trophy Fund: \$ 270

**Outstanding payments: as of 11/16/23**

Payment 1 = 6 students

Payment 2 = 6 students

Payment 3 = 9 students

Payment 4 = 10 students

Volunteer initiative = 3 students

UDBapp = 1 student

**\*Knights in Need applications went out, so hopefully this changes.**

**Miscellaneous**

- Photo Day next year - Mr. Santanello has a connection to a small business to do pictures next year. We are going to try them instead of Lifetouch after this year's debacle.
- John Ashley has a code for Lifetouch for parents to view retakes. He will post on the parent facebook page.
- Still no clarification on how to just order the group photo. We may need to do something else and just order a bunch ourselves to sell.

Motion to adjourn by Greg Hinderliter, seconded by Rachel Hendricks.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM.

***Next General Parent Meeting - Tuesday, January 16th 7:30 p.m.***



Attendees: John Ashley, Rachel Hendricks, Kevin Hendricks, Leslee Blahut, Laurel Kennedy, Melissa Fusco, Sue Ahart, Deb Weed, Kim Sisian, Victoria Shaffer, Kenneth Felton, Greg Hinderliter, Liz Lieb Overton, Mike Mooney, Sue Mooney, Jeff Goldstein, Bonnie Goldstein, Nikki Rounay, Tereza Judge, Kenneth Felton, Christine Erb, Andrea Hinderliter, Julie Hanley, Dave Seibel, Amy Luu