



# Trenton Jr. Band Boosters - Promote, Support, Assist

Arthurs Music Department

## MEETING AGENDA/MINUTES

Tuesday, October 15, 2013

- I. Call To Order: 7:35pm
- II. Old Business/Updates/Discussion topics from Mr. Kopera
  - a. Scarecrow Festival Recap! – Band played great, huge audience present when band played. Bake sale was a huge success, a total of \$771.60 was raised! We had a great location. Tips for next years festival-students to help (customers love to see the kids!), maybe considering having students play at the tent. Need baggies/containers to package some items that were donated but too large to sell. Remind bakers to package things in small quantities, most customers want a few cookies/cupcakes not a dozen. Important to label baked goods also, customers want to know what they getting. Banner worked out great for the tent. Need to find a new Chairperson for event as Wendy Pate will not be here next year. This is NOT a difficult job, but somewhere does need to be in charge to acquire volunteers to work and bake. The festival committee sets up tent, tables etc.
  - b. Band Room Renovations update, music stands, instrument storage – unfortunately band room renovations have stalled. Mr. Kopera has put information to Wenger for a quote on replacing band instrument storage cases. These cages are in horrible shape, are original to AMS (ca.1969), and doing damage to student instrument cases. Possible for JBB to present at an upcoming school board meeting to bring awareness to the band room and band program. What is happening and what needs to happen.
  - c. Present Revised “Wish List” – 40 brand-new music stands have arrived on 10/15/13 and a new set of Chimes has been ordered and should be arriving shortly. The wish list purchases will go between purchasing items that serve “many students” and those items that serve “few students”. Alternating like this will balance so that all students benefit!
  - d. Halloween Concerts to attend as research, Sunday, October 27, 2013 – Jen Moberly to add these as Events on the Facebook page (already done).
    - i. Motor City Brass Band “Horns & Howls” **3pm** at Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, Dearborn
    - ii. University of Michigan Orchestras “Halloween Concert” **4:30pm** at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor.
- III. New Business

- a. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Concert Band Party plans. – Lori Sieloff to pick up pizza and deliver to band room around 12:15 on 10/23/13. Mr. Koperka to collect \$1 from each student, note to go home soon. TJBB will pay any additional monies due. Students to bring their own water to drink. Elaine to put a FB reminder also.
  - b. Jazz Band – Monroe Big Band event Nov. 12 – This is an informal “jam session” performed by the Monroe Big Band and with jazz band students. Mr. Koperka has invited both jazz bands at Woodhaven Middle School and Allen Park Middle School to attend.
  - c. Christmas Parade/Hoodies – After researching and obtaining quotes we have decided to keep the Hoodie order with the Shirtery. They have our current design and the lowest price. We have to order a minimum of 48, if we are short the JBB will order a few “extras” to have on hand. Adult size S-XL will be \$22, extended sizes are \$26. Order form to go home by Friday 10/18/2013 to be returned with payment by 10/28/13. Elaine Franzel contact person for sweatshirts. FB page update as well.
  - d. Jazz Band shirt – no hurry to order these. Mr. Koperka has a design in mind. Black polo shirts with gold embroidered lettering. “Arthurs Jazz Band” and musical notes. Elaine Franzel to obtain quotes for these for next meeting. Would like to have before “Jazz Cafe”, which is in April
  - e. Solo & Ensemble Festival, Deadline for signup, Nov. 1, Festival is Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, accompanists. – Forms went home with students already, deadline for sign up is 11/1/13, Festival is 2/1/14. Elaine to add to FB Page also.
  - f. Winter Concerts – THS Auditorium issues – Mr. Koperka to make a list of “needs” for the concerts. Possible to use THS Honor students as ushers. We don’t want all the parents working so none can enjoy the concert.
  - g. Spring Concerts **date corrections** 5th and 6th grade concert is May 20,2014 and 7th and 8th grade concert is May 21,2014.
- IV. Items-Ideas from the Floor/”For The Good Of The Organization” – Tossed around fundraising ideas. A tupperware representative approached Wendy at the Scarecrow festival about having a tupperware fundraiser. At this point the TJBB isn’t interested in this type of fundraising. Will discuss again in future.

**Next meeting Tuesday November 19, 2013 at 7:30**

**Respectfully submitted, 10/18/13, Elaine Franzel**