

MINUTES

Spring-Ford Music Association

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Mission Statement

The Spring-Ford Music Association, Inc. has been organized for the purpose of promoting and supporting the instrumental and vocal music program of the Spring-Ford Area School District.

Director Report:

Mr. Jones

- Working on schedule for next year. Preview night as of this meeting will be August 25 , 2016
- First week of band camp will be August 8, 2016
- Two students made all-states this year
- The 10/12 students will be performing at PMEA on April 1, 2016. Parents can come see the performance but you will need to pay to sit in on the session. No advance tickets will be sold.
- April 21, 2016 will be the 9th grade concert, indoor guard and percussion performance.
- April 22, 2016 will be a 45 minute performance by the 10/12 students who was at PMEA
- Indoor percussion and guard are doing well this season.
- Thank you to all the parents who go to all these events.
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Annette (MS Color Guard)

- Still waiting for approval and permission to attend championships in Wildwood from the district.
- Bussing for Wissahickon has not been approved.
- Proposal for Novus group is on the principal desk. SFMA has not committed anything to this as on now. This is a proposal for next school year due to the increase and anticipation of more color guard members. Only 30 performing members can be on mat at one time.

Mrs. Jennings

- The jazz ensemble is halfway through its season and the group has performed at three festivals so far. Penn Dale they earned an Excellent rating and 8th grader Matt Hanson received an outstanding soloist award on trumpet, at Pottsgrove they earned an Excellent rating, the top rhythm section award and 8th grader Olivia Raber received an

outstanding soloist award on tenor sax, and last week at Boyertown the band earned an Outstanding rating and the top trumpet section award. The group has two more festivals before the spring trip. Arcola on March 11, and Kutztown on March 19th .

- The final MS trip payment of \$ 125.00 was due on March 4. and at this point we have reached the 60 day mark so there are no longer any full refunds (minus the \$ 25.00 non-refundable deposit). Music department t-shirts orders are due by Friday March 11th . The MS spring trip meeting is scheduled for Monday March 14th. Chaperones will meet from 6:15 – 6:45 and the general meeting for students and parents will be from 7:00 – 7:30. Both meetings will be held in the 7th grade cafetorium. The deadline for room captains to sign up their room is Friday March 18th .

Mr. Westlake

- Parent meeting for incoming 4th grade students for the 2016/2017 school year is Wed. June 8 at the 9th grade center.
- Parent meetings are at 6:30 (Band in the Auditorium and Strings in the 9th grade Cafeteria). Followed up with Meet the Instrument Night from 7:00 to 9:00 (approx). We will need 3 to 4 parents to help that night as well with the registration process.
- The elementary bands are coming along but we will not be able to be ready for a March performance. I will be advertising the March performance by the indoor Groups and concert bands.
- March is Music in Our Schools Month
- **The report will be incorporated with the monthly minutes.**

Officers Report:

Treasurer...Report was reviewed

Secretary...Minutes are on web site and have been approved for the month of February 2016.

Assistant Treasurer...If you have a Senior student, start thinking what you want to do with the remaining money in your SPA account. We will be sending out notices as well.

Committee Reports:

Concessions..Slow season. Waiting to hear from the Track and Soccer teams about using the concession stand. Still looking for someone to chair this position for next year. Contact a board member or Lisa Greco to find out more about this position.

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Ways and Means

- Elevation Burger made \$ 76.00
- Adult only Beef & Beverage will be on May 21st. More details to come. Looking for a venue.
- Reading Phillies fundraiser is currently in progress
- Vendor Bingo date has been confirmed for May 20, 2016. More details to come.

- Otis cookies in now in progress
- Spaghetti Dinner that we are doing will be in the 10/12 Cafeteria from 4 to 7pm. Looking at 4/24. We will do the clothing drive with this. We make money by how many pounds of clothes we have. A company from New Jersey will be taking the clothes. Keep an eye on the e-mails regarding a meeting date.
- Looking for someone to chair this committee next year. Please see a board member or Dan Rowe if interested.

Membership

- There are 192 members of SFMA to date.

Vehicles... Nothing to report at this time

Old Business

Spring Trip...Room lists have been updated. T-shirt list should be done and will be ordered. Chaperone meeting TBD. Itinerary will be coming out soon.

Jackets...Some jackets are back with 2015 on it. If there are any other people that want the year on their jacket, please hand the jacket in as soon as possible.

New Business

MAPS show is April 2, 2016

Meeting to plan for MAPS show will be March 15 @ 7pm.

Nominating Committee...Dan Rowe and Becky Leonard have agreed to run this committee. Vice President and Treasurer are the positions to be elected this year. Please submit your nominations for this offices to springfordmusic@gmail.com and the nominees will be notified.

Other... Kathy Rowe applied for a Cerner Corporation employee volunteer award and received a \$500.00 donation to SFMA from Cerner Health for her volunteer work with SFMA.

PLEASE NOTE THE NEXT MEETING DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO
 MONDAY APRIL 11 @ 7:30 IN ONE OF THE MUSIC ROOMS
 DEPENDING AVAILABLY.