

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. Westlake gave a presentation of what is happening at the elementary level. He is waiting for confirmation from the school district to have a “Learn about your child's instrument night”. This introduces the 4th grade students and parents to the music program and what types of instruments are available to play.

- Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences..where the parents sit in on a “mini lesson”
- Thinking about an Instrument Night..This is in the discussion stage only.
- He would like to see the district wide elementary band program brought back. This program was canceled in 2007 due to budget restraints. Also looking at a guest conductor.
- New parent information night..June of next year.
- Create a list of private music instructors. No action needed at this time. Is looking to implement this as the year progresses.

A full explanation of these items can be found on a hard copy of the Elementary Band Report that has been incorporated with the secretary notes.

Mrs. Jennings

- The middle school marching unit will be performing at the OJR Cavalcade on Saturday October 3, 2015 @ 7:45pm. At this time the MS performances for this fall will include: 7th grade Orientation..8-26-15, Preview night..9-3-15, OJR Cavalcade..10-3-15, SFHS Home Show 10-10-15, Homecoming Parade/Game 10-24-15, Royersford & Spring City Halloween Parades the last week of October.

Mrs. Jennings thinks this season is off to a fantastic start for both the MS and HS programs and is looking forward to an amazing fall season.

Officers Report:

President..Back to school nights getting great feedback.

- Thank you to those who helped fitting the Middle School uniforms.
Vice President
- 6 bands have committed to perform at our home show. Waiting for call backs from the fire companies to provide lighting and emergency stand-by's. Looking for more bands interested in coming.

Secretary..Minutes have been put up on website & approved for the month of August.

Treasurer..Diana went over the treasurer report.

- Motion was made and seconded to change the trailer budget to \$1,200.00 due to unexpected expense for safety reasons. Motion passed.

Asst. Treasurer

- New SPA account withdrawal forms are now available and can be found on the web site. SPA accounts are up to date.

Committee Reports:

Concessions..

- We are up and running. Thank you to all who have offered their help.
- A point person has been found for concessions for next school year.
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Ways and Means

- Joe Corbi is ending on September 18th.
- Mattress Sale...Sept 20, 2015 in the HS cafeteria. Flyers are available.
- Ad Book ending September 17th. There are two forms. One for businesses and one for personal ads.
- We will be selling Dove Chocolate. The rep will be at the next meeting to explain the fundraiser.
- Poinsettia sale will be done again this year for our holiday concerts to decorate the stage. Information will be available in the coming months.
- A “Mixed Bag” sale will start October 1. Brochures will be coming home for this.
- Looking to sell Otis cookies. Date TBA
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Vehicles

- New T1 being fitted for breaks, New hitch, leveling bar and inspection has been done on the trailer.

Uniforms

- Switching out of uniforms has been done.
- Penny Vote winner at Preview Night was...Middle School Color Guard and High School Pit. Both will have a full

size ad in the program book for the home show. Total funds raised was \$ 444.00.

Old Business

- Mrs. O'Dea is looking for two parents (Dad and a Mom) to take over inventory and tracking of the gowns and tuxedos, measuring, etc... A meeting of choral and orchestra parents being held September 8 and will be asking for parents to help with this.
- Communication Team..Pam Nash and John Black has offered to help Dan with this. Clint will continue to do the tweeting.
- Parent Mentors...Beth Studt, Kathleen Major, Lisa Greco will be mentors along with Becky Leonard and Fran Ryan. This way Mr. Jones has contact people to refer parents to if needed.

New Business

- Volunteering.....requirements keep changing !!! Stay on top of it. Department of Education must be checked when doing them and the district now has a check list to make it a little easier.

Next regular meeting will be Tuesday October 13th, 2015 in the high school band room @ 7:30pm.