

# Minutes - SFMA

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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 programs of the Spring-Ford Area School District.**

## Directors Reports

### Seth Jones – High School Band Director

- I'm very excited about our Grades 7-12 Band Concert on Tuesday, 12/14 at 7 PM in the auditorium. Please remember that those attending in person must have a mask on in the building. You can also live stream it via the RCTV YouTube Page.
- We held a unified sign up for winterguard, Winter Percussion, Jazz Ensembles, and Indoor Winds. Guard and Percussion have started rehearsing. They will be operating under the direction of Ms. Marone and Mr. Lalli respectively. Both have created unique Band Pages for these groups that are different from the main Band one or the Orlando one. If you have a student in these groups and have not joined – please reach out to them respectively. Jazz Ensembles will begin in January. I am completing placements for the groups this week. You can see the rehearsal and performance schedules for all either on the Band App or on the calendar at SpringFordBands.org
- The marching band had its end of season party on Saturday, December 4. Thank you to the many parents that helped organize and manage the event. If a student did not receive their patches or dog tags -Mr. Jones has all of those materials. The student should check in with him.
- The Marching Band jackets that were a part of this year's Essentials Kit are in the works of being processed and ordered. All the students (finally) just filled out their sizing information last week. We should see those arrive in 2022.
- As we head into the holidays, I want to reiterate how thrilled I am to have you all in the music family. I hope you have a restful, fun, and family-filled holiday season. I look forward to sharing many musical memories before December 23. Thank you again for the support of the HS Band Program.

### Kris Jennings – Middle School Band Director

- All concerts have been fantastic
- MS Jazz band is starting. First performance is 2/25. Parents transport students to performances. Schedule will be created after winter break
- Flyers game: Tom Sanders created printables to use as a holiday gift for those buying tickets. \$60 per ticket, \$90 per ticket for students who want to go in the Coach bus. There are 20 extra bus seats available. 225 tickets total. Good seats upper deck section 216

## Officers Reports

### Vice President

- Wind ensemble is an exciting new program, going to need parent support and uniform help

### Treasurer

- Reviewed budget - on track
- 17 people won the lottery and checks will be mailed out to them

### Assistant Treasurer

- SPA is in for the pie sale, lottery and scrip
- Remember you can also use SPA for the Flyers tickets

### Secretary

- Emails coming out about indoor season
- Suggestion to buy Disney gift cards through scrip

## Committee Reports

### Concessions

- not in attendance

### Fundraising

- \$1100 went to SFMA from pie sale
- working on the next trivia night
- 7 new enrollments to scrip
- next big fundraiser to be Gertrude Hawk and Divine Apples
- dine out January 27th at PJ Wheelihans
- no more bowling events, new owners, not cost effective
- Discussing a Primo Hoagie fundraiser for around the Super Bowl
- Another Wawa hoagie sale starting soon
- Superfan sale didn't go so well, raised \$200
- Luggage tags are in, pick up times will be sent out soon

### Ram Crew/Vehicles

- Winter guard and winter percussion overlap 4 times over the season, looking to get a second truck for those times
- Already working on props for percussion
- Guard using scaffolding and ramps, should be simple

### Membership/Data

- 1 new member since last month

## Chaperones

- Orlando, still some chaperones without clearances
- Sam needs to meet with Mike Lalli and Danielle Marone for indoor needs

## Apparel

- Postponed uniform cleaning
- A few vests weren't claimed
- Winter percussion students have all been measured and given to Lalli, still unsure of uniform and it takes 6 weeks to come in so not in until mid-February
- Winter guard students were measured by Becky Landry
- General merchandise ordered from SOMething Personal will be in some time next week, still don't know about the coats, company not being very responsive
- Band jacket from the essentials kit, order has been placed, coming in early 2022
- General merchandise will be for sale at all concerts, makes great last minute gifts

## Old Business

### Orlando

- 296 people are registered to go, 5 sub-groups all with different performances
- In January all uncleared chaperones will be removed from the trip
- 70 people are late on payments, missing some waivers and some garment sizes
- Dan has sent almost 7000 emails about this trip
- Winning jacket design has a copyright issue, they are trying to get it cleared up
- SPA max amount to use as spending money is \$150 given as a gift card
- Saturday they will definitely be in Hollywood Studios
- Reminder that they have trip insurance in case something Covid happens and they can't go
- There will be an in person meeting in the new year with more specific information

### Winter Guard

- Home show January 22, still in the planning stages, 18 units signed up
- Amp is coming and always draws a large crowd
- Sign Up Genius being created to ask for volunteers
- Please ask others, people beyond this room, to help. We can't always be the only volunteers, but they do need clearances and have to be SFMA members

#### Winter Percussion

- Home show in April, no plans yet

#### November Meeting Minutes

- Approved

### **New Business**

#### Indoor Season Volunteer Night

- Lisa would like to host a “college fair” style volunteer night
- Various table stations set up for potential volunteers to ask questions about specific job categories
- Hopefully this will draw in new people to chaperone and volunteer
- January 5th at 6pm, coffee and donuts will be offered
- Directors will email families directly and an SFMA email will go out

#### SNAP

- Theme is Dancing with the Stars on April 30th
- Struggling to get teams to sign up, can we get any teams together?
- Looking for musicians to play between acts

#### Wind Ensemble

- Will need props and transportation
- There is an essentials fee to fund it
- Uniforms likely just matching clothes