NIMAS General Meeting 8/14/2019

Mr. Zettlemoyer:

- Introduced NIMAS to all attendees. He explained what NIMAS is and what we do. There is a general meeting the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm (unless calendar says different).
- Parents and students are highly encouraged to check the NIMAS website for information. Information is updated regularly. <u>www.nmsim.org</u>
- All parents that wish to help must have clearances in with the office before they can help. Clearances are good for 5 years.
- Today is Day 8 of Band Camp. The orchestra is working on fingering. Band is practicing marching and playing while marching. Color guard is practicing routines. Jazz is learning different jazz styles.
- Jazz is the only ensemble that requires an audition. This is done because the ensemble is restricted to a certain number of students. Students will audition on Thursday and Friday. An email was sent out to students and parents on which day and time of audition.
- The calendar is still being updated. There were some changes from the one emailed back in June. Biggest change is that Uniform Distribution Night is now 8/19 not 8/20 due to Liberty band having their preview night.
- Every student and parent helper MUST have a blue ID shirt. These are worn on trips and certain events. These will be available for purchase on uniform distribution night with a cost of \$12 (larger sizes of 2X-3X are \$16)
- Uniforms will be distributed on Monday, August 19 from 5-8 pm. An email will be sent out regarding this. Please note that separate checks are needed. A check is needed to Final Touch Co. for students that ordered shoes or boots. Separate checks are needed at each fundraising station (Gertrude Hawk, Gift Cards and Enjoy the City/Kid stuff). Another check is needed for the Registration fee, ID shirt, Tassels & Gloves (Color guard only), Orchestra/Jazz shirt and bowtie, Garment Bag.
- Uniforms for Band include: Jacket, Pants, and hat. Students must wear black crew socks and black leather soled shoes. No black sneakers allowed. Students must also wear a short sleeved T-shirt under their pants suit.

Uniforms are worn for parades, concerts, football games, and Santa at Wind Creek.

- Uniforms for Color Guard include Jacket, Skirt, white gloves, and hat. Girls must wear white boots with white socks. Boys will wear band uniform. Boys will also wear black socks and black shoes.
- Every student must use a garment bag. Garment bags will be available for purchase on distribution night for \$10 new or \$5 used.
- Plumes for band hats will only be distributed at parades or events. These are very delicate and only the parent volunteers will distribute and collect them.
- Orchestra & Jazz uniforms includes white tuxedo shirt and black bow tie. Students must also wear black dress pants, black crew socks, and black leather soled shoes. No sneakers allowed.
- A \$75 registration fee will be collected on Uniform Distribution Night. This fee is collected to help pay for uniform dry cleaning at the end of the year, new equipment, and new music. Every student must pay this.
- Orchestra, Jazz, and Singers to go on trip this year to Boston. Students will attend workshops with the Boston Symphony.
- Please check the school calendar for this year. There are different days that are half days and days that are off that are different than in years past.
- When school starts on August 26, there will be no early band rehearsal. Each ensemble starts a different day of the week at 7:15 am. Band on Monday and Thursday, Jazz on Wednesday, and Orchestra on Tuesday and Friday.
- Instrumental music lessons are given throughout the year. The student has their lesson the same day of the week but on a rotating time schedule. This is done so the student does not miss the same class every week.
- Mr. Z's wife is a counselor for Ronald McDonald House. Each year, students can send in soda tabs. There is a container near the white mailbox in the front left corner of the room. Tabs are then weighed to help defray costs. Also, student officers are also going to sell striped socks. Last year, NMS sponsored 4 campers for the Ronald McDonald Camp. We hope to do this again this year. A sock and shirt sale will be taking place in the upcoming months.

- Plan for ensembles:
 - Band: 3 parades, pep rallies, NMS/EH football game, FHS/LHS football game, Santa at Wind Creek, Spring Concert
 - Orchestra: Winter and Spring Concerts
 - o Jazz: March Jazz Festivals, Jazz Café
 - Color Guard: All performances with Band. Also February performance.

<u>Mrs. Hriniak:</u>

- Introduced Color Guard. This consists of Honor Guard (NMS banner carriers, US flag, PA flag, NMS flag), Rifles, Majorettes, and Flags.
- Color Guard follows the band schedule
- Plan for the Fall is parades and football games, Winter is a performance on 2/19/20, and Spring prepares for spring concert

NIMAS Board:

• President Cory Dailey:

- Explained fundraisers planned for this year. An Applebee's Pancake Breakfast will be held on Saturday October 12, 2019 from 8-10 am at the Motel Dr location. We are also doing a Matey's Pizza, Gertrude Hawk Chocolate, and Enjoy the City/Kidstuff books sale. Chocolate and books will be available on Uniform Distribution Night.
- Matey's Pizza forms are available tonight. Orders and payment are due on 9/13/19. Delivery is on 9/21/19 at 10 am.

• Vice President Lisette Trexler:

- Gift cards are available to purchase. Gift cards are in \$100 increments for Giant, Weis, Shoprite. Each student will receive \$4 to their Fair Share account and \$1 goes to the general fund.
- Wawa Shorty Hoagie Coupons are available. They are \$4.50 each.
 Students will receive \$1 into their Fair Share account and \$0.50 goes to the general fund.
- Secretary Tracy Luisser:

- Takes notes at meeting. Notes will then be given to Mr. Zettlemoyer to be included in emails and website.
- Treasurer Jacqui Fortsch:
 - Responsible for payments of bills and reimbursements. There is a form on the website to be completed for reimbursements. Receipts must be submitted along with form.

• Treasurer Ed Bruno:

 Responsible for tracking each student's Fair Share account. Fair Share is an account that keeps track of the money that is earned from fundraising and payments for trips. The leftover money in the account can be rolled over to the next school year. Any 8th graders that have money left can receive a refund.

Fundraising:

- Matey's Pizza: Will be doing 4 sales this year. Pizzas are \$6 and \$8 for Gluten Free.
- Enjoy the City/Kid stuff Books: Will be available during Uniform Distribution Night. Books are \$25. Students will receive \$10 in the Fair Share account.
- Gertrude Hawk Chocolate: A 48 count variety bar box is \$48. Families can order a single flavor box if they choose to for a cost of \$48. Students will receive \$15 to their Fair Share account for each box sold.

Q & A session:

• Parents asked questions regarding the above information.