

FORESMA Meeting

March 11, 2024

7-8 PM, Robert Eagle Staff Middle School

In attendance: Jessi Detert, Patrick Gordon, Hannah Gorham, Meredith Lee, Adrienne Anderl, Brian Moynihan, Phyllis Fletcher, Kay Lambert, Michelle Peters, Anne Running, Holly Iosso, Susanne Johnson

Music Directors' Report

- Hannah Gorham (Orchestras & Guitar)
 - Central Washington Festival went great last Friday. 23 orchestra students attended.
 - Started working on videos for direct ask in class.
- Patrick Gordon (Bands & Jazz Band)
 - Lionel Hampton Trip
 - Hotel and bus contracts are ready to reserve, need a credit card to put on file. We don't think FORESMA provided a credit card in the past, so Patrick will ask Mr. Stowell.
 - Plan to leave after lunch on Wednesday to arrive at hotel late evening.
 - Storm Game
 - Tickets will cost \$27.
 - Storm will create a link for families and the school community to purchase tickets
 - Patrick will buy band student tickets in a block and ask families to pay for students tickets through schoolpay.
 - Mr. Stowell is planning to promote this as a school-wide event.
 - St Patrick's Day Parade (March 16)
 - Patrick is also bringing RESMS basketball team to hold parade banners.
 - Marching Band will likely be near the end of parade.
 - May use U-haul or two parent cars to bring large instruments.
 - Daffodil Parade (April 6)
 - Performing in first three parades - Tacoma, Puyallup, Sumner.
 - Whitman Festival (March 21)

- Wind Ensemble performing. Busses are set, but students will arrive back at Eagle Staff after school ends. Trying to trade slots with another band so we can get back earlier.

Secretary's Report (Kelly Mazzola)

- Approval of February mtg minutes - Meredith Lee motions to approve, Brian Moynihan seconds. Passes unanimously.

Fundraiser Report (Meredith Lee)

- Tutta Bella February Dine Out results: \$98
 - Next year we'll do two Tutta Bella dine outs instead of four.
- Direct Ask (\$12,000 goal): March 25 - April 5
 - Hoping to match every \$50 donation with sponsorship
 - Meredith will film kids during first two periods on Monday, March 18.
 - Jessi and Adrienne will work together to get cash for Banh Mi order delivery and concert concessions cash box.
 - Sign up genius for volunteers and bake sale items will get sent out this week.
- Meredith is setting up new push for spirit wear. Patrick and Hannah will share with classes/families.

Treasurer's Report (Kirsten Blair & Brian Moynihan & Adrienne Anderl)

- March financial summary is posted on www.foesma.org.
- Chuck DeMonnin signed Jazz 2 teacher contract in February.
- Chuck is organizing a big band clinic on April 16 during school hours for the jazz bands. Payment for clinicians will come from an outside corporate grant and Brian is working with Chuck to figure out details.

PTSA Report (Anne Running)

- Our direct ask will not conflict with any PTSA fundraising this year.

Communications Report (Holly Iosso & Susanne Johnson)

- Feeder Elem. school info about music
 - Electives info sent out after spring break.
 - Holly will get blurb in feeder school newsletters.

- Patrick and Hannah will reach out to music teachers at feeder schools.

Next Meetings: April 1, 7pm via Zoom, May 13, 7pm @ RESMS, June 10, 7pm