

## **Nation Ford Band Booster Club Minutes of Meeting held 4-28-08**

The Minutes of the last Booster meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report was accepted and filed.

### **Elections**

No nominations were added to the original ballot. All positions were voted by acclamation.

- Jamie Medlin will be President.
- Steve Turner will be Vice-President.
- Susan Longfield will be Secretary.
- Jefflyn Covington will be Treasurer.

### **At-large members will be:**

- ~~Steve Niekammer~~
- Julianne Best
- Susan Ferguson
- Randy Grantham

### **Band Director's Report**

The High School concert will be on Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. The concert band, the jazz band, and some small ensembles will play. Hopefully we will watch a power point presentation of the fall show. We have the same design team as last year. This year's show is original with NFHS as first time players. There will be some familiar sounding music. The copyright expenses for a show are between \$250 and \$300 per title. We had a good crowd for the Percussion Ensemble. Approximately 250 people were in attendance and the concert was well received. No decision has yet been made regarding next year's venue for this event. 111 students have signed up for Band. Ms. Bowman has asked for a 2<sup>nd</sup> director and an assistant. Keep your fingers crossed. Mr. Dickey has had a first look at the new stadium with the architects. The synthetic turf field would appear to be rather expensive, at \$700,000, but it works out to be much better value in the long run. Maintenance costs will be minimal; there will be a 10-15 year warranty; the field can be used 24/7 365/year, and students will be able to wear the same cleats. This stadium facility, with the auxiliary gym will help the athletics department and the music department. We will be able to host competitions, conduct practices, host the percussion ensemble, and hold winter guard competitions. Guard tryouts are taking place right now at both high schools. Last Sunday, 4/27, Mr. D. made audition videotapes of 4 junior/rising senior students for submission to the US Army All American Band.

## Verizon

First show is this Tuesday 4/29. It's a sell-out. We are short of volunteers due to the FMHS concert tomorrow night! The next concert is Saturday, the same day as the Springfest, but it's not a sell-out, and we have enough volunteers.

## Springfest

Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Jamie will try to hold a volunteer meeting on Wednesday at NFHS at 7.30 p.m. We will set up our booth at the Walter Elisha Park at 0700. We'll be selling wings at 8 for \$5, fried okra for \$3 per serving, and fried pickles at \$3 for 4. We cannot sell any soda, but Coke (co-sponsor of the event) will give us 10% of sales (at \$2 per drink). The FMHS jazz band will perform on stage at Springfest at 10:00. There will be other bands throughout the day. The event will end at 10p.m. We will need 5 people per shift to operate the booth – 2 for the fryers, 2 servers, and 1 cashier.

## Golf Tournament

This event will take place on Monday, July 28 at Regent Park Golf Course. Mr. Dickey plans to change the Mission Statement in the Golf program this year. He would like to set up a scholarship fund with the golf money. He would like to set up two renewable senior scholarships per year – one per high school. We also need the flexibility to buy instruments. More information to follow.

## Other Business

The new trailer was delivered today. It pulls really well and the brakes are good. It is low to the ground so it will be easy to load. It will be prepared for painting in Rock Hill. When this is done, we will need volunteers to spray paint it. Susan Ferguson will submit a design for decals. Jamie will set up a schedule of Saturday work days. Hopefully we'll be able to unveil it at band camp time. The inside of the vehicle also requires sanding and painting, and lights are needed. There are belly boxes underneath for extra equipment. Jamie can get hold of a floor sander and a bucket truck for pressure washing purposes, and the truck can be dried off with leaf blowers.

## Next meeting

Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30 p.m.