Music Parent Meeting Minutes – November 18, 2025

- Directors Present: Mark Iwinski, Chris Moan, Kristi Baker
- Board Members Present: Ellen Peterson, Michelle Metzke, Lisa Stein, Jennifer Cunico, Lisa Kelly, Maryanne Kladis

Open and Welcome: Ellen welcomed everyone and thanked everyone for coming as we wind down the year. Thanked the volunteers and coordinators of the Fall Craft Fair and discussed how successful this year's craft was.

Secretary's Minutes: The minutes from this meeting and previous meetings can be found on vjamusic.com.

Correspondence: None.

Treasurer's Report: Craft Fair did very well. Winter Guard and Winter Percussion is under way and fees are coming in for those. We had some raise right money come in. Payments for MFA will be coming up in January and payments for Winter Guard and Winter Percussion will be due in February and March.

President's Report: Thank you for all the work on the craft fair. And big thank you to Alfonso for taking over the chairperson position. Thank you to the sign brigade for getting the signs out. We had a great turnout for the craft fair. Vendors were very happy with the turnout.

Fundraising Updates:

Melka orders will be ready on Dec.2nd pickup time is 3pm-5pm. Pick up will be at Melka Landscaping. Everyone must pick up their orders during that time at the site. We do not have anywhere to store those items if they are not picked up.

Butter braids orders will be ready for pickup Dec. 12th between 3:30pm -5pm in the lower commons.

Lou's Malnati's Dining Night is Tuesday, November 25 from 11:00am-11:00pm

Chipotle Dining Night is Friday, December 13 from 4:00pm-8:00pm Raising Canes Dining Night is Saturday, January 3 from 4:00-9:00pm

Director's Report:

Mr. Moan: Prism concert tickets info will be sent out later this week. Choir Festival went well. Thank you to Jim and Lisa Kelly for their help. **Mr.I:** We are prepping for the Prism concert. ILMEA fest went well and Lucas Cordova did especially well.

Prism concert is coming up. There are 2 nights for the Prism concert because it is combined with all the bands and choir. There is a dress/tech rehearsal on the 8th. Concert is the 9th and the 11th. Ticket information and volunteer requests will go out by the end of next week. Volunteers need to help each section on and off the stage. As well as stay with their section while they are waiting for the next directions. 2nd semester is coming up so music students should think about what they will do next year as far as continuing their music education and encourage any newcomers to join next year.

All current band students need to audition for their position for next year, even if they do not want to switch positions.

New band uniforms have been approved! Finalizing the band uniforms and they should be ready for our next Marching Band season. Moving forward we will use these uniforms for a while. No need for new uniforms every year.

Open Discussion:

Question was asked regarding the time of the Melka pickup.

We also discussed the Spring Craft fair set up and move in. There may be a slight conflict but we will delay the move in of crafters to early Saturday morning if necessary.

Question was asked regarding extra funds and what they may be used for next year. Last year they were used to purchase new microphones, this year we will determine that later.

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Next Music Parent Meeting: February 17th @7pm

Motion to Adjourn: Michelle Thorne motioned to adjourn and that motion was seconded.