

# West Allegheny Marching Pride Parent Meeting

## February 21, 2024

**Call to Order: 6:30pm**

**Marching Band Director: TJ Fox**

### **Board Members**

President - Taressa Kilbourn

Treasurer - Christina Baker

Vice President - Mindy Rose

Member at Large - Kim Fiscus

Secretary - Colleen Kartychak

### **Booster President Remarks**

- Thank you for coming out tonight!
- Thank you to all of you who helped out at the Purse Bash!!

### **Treasurer Report**

Savings Balance -

Checking Balance -

ISA Balance -

Available to Spend -

### **From the Treasurer:**

There are two statements going out from the treasurer. One is strictly fundraising and the other is a member activity statement. As much as possible is moved over from the fundraising account to the member activity statement to show a more accurate member activity statement.

### **Raise Right - Pilot Program**

Offer reloadable plastic cards. You get an empty card so you won't have to pay to get one. More information coming.

### **Websites to Know**

- [www.westamarchingpride.com](http://www.westamarchingpride.com) - for updated information, important dates, meeting minutes, copy of by-laws, and pay to play form.

### **2024 Disney Trip Information**

- **Mandatory** Disney Practices - 6pm to 8:30pm
  - March 5th - Guard ONLY
  - March 13th - Band and Guard \*\* students can meet the chaperones
  - March 18th - Band and Guard
- Luggage drop off will be the evening of the 18th
- You were sent an email with a detailed itinerary. If you did not receive it, reach out to Mr. Fox.
- One of these practices the students will need to bring their band shoes and put initials in their shoes.

- They will also be re-fitted for their uniforms so there is time to adjust if needed.
- Chaperones are invited to attend on March 13th so their assigned students can meet them.
- On Tuesday prior to leaving, their school backpacks will be locked up in the balcony.
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, shoes, change of clothes, shoes and ANYTHING they need for the next day at Animal Kingdom must be brought in their carry on bag on the bus.
- Upon arrival Wednesday morning, 2 busses go to eat while others go to freshen up. Then they will go to Animal Kingdom for the day.
- After Animal Kingdom they will have access to their luggage at the resort at their "check in".
- If you are picking your child up in Epcot, their luggage needs to be picked up at the resort (hotel) Saturday morning before the busses leave for Epcot. They will need to be signed out at Epcot.
- On the way home, if they are running late, they *will* stop for dinner.
- Students have all received their passcodes for their tickets. Fox will keep their physical tickets.
- Students are never allowed to be by themselves.
- Every meal is paid for. Some may be cash, some may be Disney meal cards.
- On the last day in Epcot, students will only get cash so they can use the balance on the meal cards up.
- Students will get refillable mugs at the resort so they can get drinks for free when they are back at the resort during their free time.
- On Tuesday, all kids will eat their lunch at school (buy or pack as normal) before the busses depart because they will not stop for lunch.
- Students are allowed in each other's rooms during down time but the curtains for the outside window must be open for supervisory reasons.

**\*\*Medicine on the trip**

- Everyone has to fill out the Google Form about medicine.
- If your child needs prescription medicine, there is another form that is required to be completed and turned in.

The dates of the trip are Tuesday-Sunday, March 19-24, 2024. Please note that WA Spring Break starts Saturday, March 23. Students will not resume school until Tuesday, April 2nd. Work should be completed because it's the end of the 3rd 9 weeks.

**The travel itinerary will be:**

3/19 Depart WA Campus (afternoon time TBA)

3/20 Arrive at Disney Hotel (early morning to freshen up and eat breakfast)

3/20-3/23 Disney Parks (Animal Kingdom, Hollywood Studios, Magic Kingdom, Epcot)

3/23 Load busses after the nighttime spectacular at EPCOT

3/24 Arrive back on WA Campus (usually late afternoon / early evening)

**Performance Dates/Locations:**

- 3/20 Arrive in FL - Animal Kingdom - (No performances)
- 3/21 Hollywood Studios - Day - (No performances for BAND)  
Disney Springs - **Show Choir to perform** (4 PM) then return to Hollywood Studios
- 3/22 Magic Kingdom - **Band to participate in Parade** - (2:20 PM)
- 3/23 Epcot - Leave for PA after park - (No performances);

EVERYTHING is included in your trip. Private charter buses are provided throughout the entire trip, admission to parks, security, refillable mugs, trip shirt, and ALL meals. Your student may want to bring extra money for snacks and souvenirs

**Disney Payment Schedule**

- \*\$100.00 deposit already paid
- \$262.50 payment due Oct. 30, 2023
- \$262.50 payment due Nov. 30, 2023
- \$100.00 payment due Dec. 30, 2023 **\*taken care of by booster donation - no real payment for band members**
- \$262.50 payment due Jan. 30, 2024
- \$262.50 final payment due Feb. 28, 2024

(Trip actually costs approximately \$70 per student more than the payment schedule. The Boosters picked up the extra amount so that it was not put onto our families. So in total, between that payment and the \$100 December payment that was removed, the Boosters paid approximately \$170 per student.)

Please make checks payable to WAMB BOOSTERS, put in clearly labeled envelope and place in the gray box or mail to:

Christina Baker  
WAMB Treasurer  
305 Walden Way  
Imperial, PA 15126

## **Proposed Bylaw Changes - Reading and Voting**

Second reading and voting.

### **ARTICLE IV**

Officers

Current:

E. In the case of a vacancy in an elected office, the remaining officers shall vote to appoint a replacement.

Proposed:

E. In the event of a vacancy of an elected office, nominations will be accepted from the general membership for a replacement to serve the remainder of the two (2) year term of office. The elected officer(s) will be selected by a majority vote of the general membership, with voting taking place by electronic means over a 24-hour period.

### **Article IX**

AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS

Current:

The Bylaws can be amended at any general meeting of the West Allegheny Band Parents and by a majority vote provided the amendment has been submitted in writing and read at two (2) consecutive general membership meetings.

Proposed:

These bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the general members provided the proposed amendment(s) has (have) been published online for review by the general membership, with electronic notice of the posting at least 10 days prior to the next general membership meeting where the proposed amendments will be discussed. Following this General Membership meeting, voting to approve or reject the amendment(s) will take place by the general membership through electronic means for a period of 24 hours.

**General Membership Vote on Proposed By Laws**

**Both changes PASSED upon membership vote at the meeting.**

## Committees/Fundraising

- **Social Media** - Christi Kreg
- [Westabandsocialmedia@gmail.com](mailto:Westabandsocialmedia@gmail.com)
- Send pictures to this email and they may be posted to our social media pages
  
- **Applelicious** - Rochelle Bolind
  - Easter - Order and one check to WAMB Boosters due to gray box by Feb 23  
**Pick up date March 15**
  
- **Sarris** - Kristen Bardelli - 412-716-9711
  - EASTER: **Pickup will be on 3/12 at 4pm -7pm** at Kristin Bardelli's house
  - Online Orders (25% profit) are open until March 22. \$5 Flat Rate Shipping available. Group #10-0439 and the student's name must be complete for ISA credit
  
- **Sarris Candy BAR Sales** - Jennifer Forth
  - Chocolate Crisped Rice, Peanut Butter and Almond are available.
  - Bars are \$1 each and each box has 48 bars.
  - Upon purchasing a box for \$48, \$19.20 of that goes directly into your student's ISA
  
- **Hoagie Orders** - Kim Fiscus/Rochelle Bolind
  - Due March 5; **Pickup March 12**
  
- **Online Apparel Store - Sport Your Colors** - Taressa Kilbourn
  - Disney t-shirt will be on sale on the online store asap

## Miscellaneous - Keep in Mind

- Remaining Booster Meetings of 2023 -2024 Season
  - April 24th HS Cafeteria. @6:30 PM
  
- Open Board Positions -
  - The following Board Positions will be open for the next Marching Band Season  
President, Secretary, Member at Large
  - Nomination process - April 1 through April 19th through a Google Form.
  - Voting will take place by electronic vote and will open within 24 hours of the parent meeting on April 24th. The link to vote will be sent out on Remind. Voting will remain open for 24 hours.
  
- BAND CAMP for 2024 - Monday, July 29th to Friday, August 9th. Please do not make any vacation plans during that time period.

## Questions/Comments/Adjournment

- Need 3-5 volunteers to sell water and candy for the Mnozil Brass concert Monday, February 26th. Contact Fox.