

West Allegheny Marching Pride General Meeting

July 12, 2023

Call to Order: 7:05 pm

Marching Band Director: TJ Fox

Board Members

President - Taressa Kilbourn
Vice President - Mindy Rose
Secretary - Vicki Bozic

Treasurer - Open Position
Member at Large - Kim Fiscus

Minutes motion made to accept the minutes by Mrs. Nemec
2nd by Mrs. Fisher. All yays 0 nays

Treasurer Report

- Checking Balance
- Savings Balance
- ISA Accounts
- Available to Spend

Payment Schedule

Band Dues - Two Payments in Total (Checks payable to WA Band Parents)

May be put in gray box or mailed to Mindy Rose (temporarily)

- First Payment of \$80 was due by 6/30/23 (should already be paid)
- Second Payment of \$80 is due by 8/31/23

Pay to Play - (Checks payable to West Allegheny School District)

- One Payment of \$75 due by 7/31/23 (amount subject to change)
- The Athletics and Arts Activity Form must accompany this payment. This form can be found on the WA District website or on the Marching Pride website. (Students who receive free or reduced lunch do not need to pay this fee, but do still need to fill out the form and mail/hand it in.)

ALL payments and forms should (temporarily) be mailed to

Mindy Rose
214 Briar Path
Imperial, PA 15126

Booster President Remarks - Thank you for coming to this summer meeting! We are looking forward to band camp and are in need of your support.

- Do not forget the July 25th Summer Marching Band Rehearsal 6 - 8:30 pm

- Fox Box - a new box from Mr. Fox for payments not specific to marching band. Mr. Fox will explain better to students soon.

Open Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs

- We have open committees chairs and co-chairs available. Please reach out to any board member if you are interested in chairing and of the following committees. Please also feel free to reach out to a committee chair if you are interested in joining any committee.

Cavalcade of Bands - two plus positions open - chair and co chair

Dine and Donate - two positions open - chair and co chair

Open Board Position - Treasurer

As you know, our treasurer resigned. We have been accepting nominations for treasurer for some time now. We would like to thank Christina Baker and Colleen Kartychak for accepting their nominations to run for Treasurer of the Marching Band Executive Board.

Any other nominations?

Each will now speak on their own behalf. Please look on the website to find their written bios when you go on to place your family vote.

Voting for Treasurer will be done via Google form on our marching band website. An announcement will be made over Remind when the Google form is live on the website. Voting will stay open for 24 hours. The new Treasurer of the Marching Band Executive Board will be announced soon after.

Website to Know

- www.westmarchingpride.com - for updated information, important dates, meeting minutes, copy of by-laws, pay to play form and other things.

Band Shoes - Mr. Fox will be sending out a link to order band shoes for those of you who need to do so. That would include any rookie OR any veteran who may need a larger size. Students also need to have several pairs of long black socks available to wear with their uniforms during the season.

Show Shirt - Your students' show shirt will come home toward the end of band camp. Take good care of it as it is 100% part of their uniform. Additional show shirts can be purchased at our online store, Sport Your Colors, at the beginning of the football season.

2023 Season Updates

2023 Meeting Calendar - Please pay attention to the provided meeting calendar. Although we will do our absolute best to stick to the dates/times/locations, please understand that they are subject to change if it is needed. Any changes will be communicated asap.

As Mr. Fox announced, the upcoming show will be based on COLORS. Look for the names of colors to be included in the songs.

Band Camp is coming up very soon. **PLEASE** make note of the dates and **DO NOT** schedule anything else during band camp. Your student participating in band camp fully is vital to the success of the team and the show.

Band Camp - What to Expect -

- Dot Book needed - Spiral bound index cards.
- Labeled WATER BOTTLES - Water stations will be provided for refilling student's water bottles. Please have your student label their water bottle.
- Other suggested items - hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, drawstring bag, tennis shoes, any additional food or drink needed that may not be provided.

BAND CAMP DATES AND TIMES

<u>July 31</u> <u>1-9 PM</u>	<u>August 1</u> <u>1-9 PM</u>	<u>August 2</u> <u>1-9 PM</u>	<u>August 3</u> <u>1-9 PM</u>	<u>August 4</u> <u>9 AM – 3 PM</u>
<u>August 7</u> <u>1-9 PM</u>	<u>August 8</u> <u>1-9 PM</u>	<u>*August 9</u> <u>1-9 PM</u>	<u>*August 10</u> <u>1-9pm</u>	<u>August 11</u> <u>9 AM – 3 PM</u> <u>Preview Show 7 PM</u> <u>Bon- after preview show - Donaldson Park</u>

*There will be a picture day the second week of camp, most likely Wed or Thurs. Early arrival will be necessary for students. They will be fed twice on that day. Be on the look out for specifics.

Band Camp Meals - Kristi Gunderson

We do our best to avoid nuts, but other allergies (such as dairy or gluten) cannot be accommodated. We expect students to know what is safe for them personally. Most days, we will not provide a vegetarian main entree option; however, we can supply fruit and salad every day. Students who wish to bring their own meal instead of eating the provided option are welcome to do so - a refrigerator is available, but a microwave is not. A small afternoon snack, such as string cheese or Gogurt will also be provided.

Although most food costs are covered by dues, we cannot do this without your help! Donations are needed for band camp food. Please consider donating. No donation is too small.

A band camp menu will be provided asap. Be on the look out for the menu. The Sign Up Genius' for band camp food donations and band camp volunteering to be coming soon!

SUMMER Marching Band Important Dates Reminders Listed

- July 25th - Summer Rehearsal 6pm - 8:30 PM

Band Camp - July 31st - Aug 11th (Monday through Friday only)

- Monday July 31st - Thurs Aug 3rd - 1PM - 9PM
- Friday Aug 4th - 9AM - 3PM
- Monday Aug 7th - Thurs Aug 10th - 1PM - 9PM
- Friday August 11th - 9AM - 3PM (at latest) Preview Show and Bon on that evening weather permitting.

Additional Important Summer Marching Band Happenings

- **August 14th, Monday - Kennywood Day** - The band performs in a parade at Kennywood on that day. Transportation to and from the park is provided by school. Performing students get into the park for free. Students are permitted to enjoy the park when they are not practicing or performing. More information to come. Chaperones will be needed. No practice that day.
- **August 18th - Local Parade - in the PM.**
- **August 19th - Local Parade - in the AM.**
- **Between the end of band camp and the beginning of school, the marching band will rehearse on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 - 9 pm.**
- **Once school starts, we will rehearse on Mondays after school - 5:30 pm and Wednesdays from 6 - 9 pm.**
- **No practice on Labor Day (Monday, 9/4)**

FYI - Festival Dates - Save the Date

- Sat, Sept 9th (evening) - Festival at Montour
- Sat, Sept 16th (evening) - Festival at Carlynton
- Sat, Sept 30th - Our Home Cavalcade of Bands!

Possible 2024 Marching Band Trip to Disney

- The Marching Band plans to go on a group trip this coming season to Disney. These trips are not mandatory, but most students take advantage of the opportunity.
- This trip is a work in progress right now and is dependent on many things. You will know dates and details as soon as they are available
- Fundraising money put into your student's ISA Account can be used to pay for the Disney trip. Start fundraising now in any way that works for your family.

Committee Head Updates -

Applelicious - Rochelle Bolind

Band Banquet - Mindy Rose

Band Uniforms - Mindy Rose -

- **Band Shoes** - Be on the lookout for an online band shoe order form from Mr. Fox.
- **Drawstring Bag** - Your student will be getting a black drawstring bag close to the season. This bag is the **ONLY** bag your student will be permitted to take into the

stadiums. We may give them their snack before we go on the field. They can keep their snack (and other small items such as their phone) in this bag. Please take good care of the bag and keep track of it. Your student is to bring it to all Marching Band events.

Bon - Heather Athanas -

The Bon will be immediately following the Preview Show on Friday August 11th. It will be at Donaldson Park.

Chaperones/ Chaperone Shirts - Christi Kreg -

Chaperones will be needed for many things. Be on the lookout for a sign up to come out soon. Chaperone shirts can be purchased starting at \$22 per shirt.

Concessions - Heather Cerciello and Anna Fisher have graciously decided to do the concessions.

Cookie Walk - Tim Baurle

Sunday December 10, 2023

Cavalcade of Bands - OPEN CHAIR POSITION

Dine and Donate - OPEN CHAIR POSITION

Hoagie Orders - Kim Fiscus

9 -10 orders to happen this year. First one happening in August.

Online Apparel/Spirit Wear Store - Taressa Kilbourn -

The online apparel/spirit wear will be open soon. It will have numerous items to purchase, including any extra show shirts you may want.. It is through the online vendor, Sport Your Colors. There will be a link to the store on our website. A Remind message and/or email will go out when the store is open. Noting on this site is mandatory for your student to purchase.

Poinsettias/Wreaths - Scott Kilbourn

Purse Bash - Bridgett Welte

Raise Right - Mindy Rose - New Enrollment Code - C1C537F29328

Sarris Candy - Kristin Bardelli

Sarris Candy Bar Sales - Jennifer Fourth

Senior Night - Vicki Bozic - Senior Night 8/25 - First Home Game
 Brief meeting after to decide on the pre game reception.

Senior Parent Representatives - Sabrina Brindle

Sponsorships - Alex Biondi

Packages have been made. Need a little tweaking. Students will earn \$100 per package sold into their ISA. Will be sending out soon.

Social Media - Christi Kreg

WebMaster- there's a now the capability to add the calendar to sync your google calendar.

New Business:

Have the opportunity to do a dunk tank at the Findlay Fair. Would like to join with Cheer and make it a community outreach.

Motion made by Mrs. Kreg and 2nd by Mrs. Fisher to team up with cheer and do a community outreach with the dunk tank. All yays 0 Nays.

Will need volunteers to sell the "Treble Towel" at the football games.

Miscellaneous

- Remember clearances are necessary to volunteer with the marching band.
- Most communication will come through Remind and Parent Meetings
- Next Parent Meeting is August 30th at 7:30pm in the HS Cafeteria
- Mr. Fox will provide a detailed football schedule with band specific information on it closer to the start of the season.

2023 Schedule of Marching Pride Parent/Guardian Meetings

May 31st	6:30 pm	HS Cafeteria
July 12th	6:00 pm - Rookie Guardians 7:00 pm - Add Veteran Guardians Committee Head Meeting - Immediately following 7:00 meeting	Findlay Twp Activity Center
August 30th	7:30 pm	HS Cafeteria
September 20th	7:30 pm	HS Cafeteria
October 18th	7:30 pm	HS Cafeteria
November 15th	7:30 pm	HS Cafeteria

December	NO MEETINGS	Happy Holidays!
2024		
January	No Parent Meeting	Happy New Year!

****Please Note - The Executive Board will do their ABSOLUTE best to stick to this schedule. However, dates, times and locations are all tentative and may be changed if needed. Meetings will be canceled if they are not needed. Communication of any changes will be made asap. ****

2023 Football Schedule

	Date & Time	Opponent(s)	Facility
🏠 (H)	08/25/23 7:00 PM	vs Moon Area HS *Senior Night*	DeMichela Stadium
🚌 (A)	09/01/23 7:00 PM	vs South Fayette HS Athletics	South Fayette High School
🏠 (H)	09/08/23 7:00 PM	vs Ringgold Senior HS	DeMichela Stadium
🚌 (A)	09/15/23 7:00 PM	vs New Castle HS	New Castle -Taggart Stadium
🏠 (H)	09/22/23 7:00 PM	vs Aliquippa HS Homecoming	DeMichela Stadium
🚌 (A)	09/29/23 7:00 PM	vs Chartiers Valley ...	Chartiers Valley High School
🏠 (H)	10/06/23 7:00 PM	vs Ambridge HS	DeMichela Stadium
🚌 (A)	10/13/23 7:00 PM	vs Blackhawk HS	Blackhawk High School
🏠 (H)	10/20/23 7:00 PM	vs Central Valley	DeMichela Stadium
🚌 (A)	10/27/23 7:00 PM	vs Montour HS	Montour High School

— Please make note that Senior Night is August 25th. We play Moon at Home.

Questions/Comments? -

Adjournment - with 61 members present.

