

HBPA General Meeting, July 7, 2015

The meeting commenced promptly at 7:00PM with a welcome, and recognition of freshman parents in attendance by Jeff Cunningham, HBPA President. The number present was quite impressive, and a great start to another exciting, fun-filled HBPA year.

In Jeff Dooley's absence, Jeff Cunningham shared the Treasurer's report which reflects HBPA finished last year \$16,000 over budget. "With that being said," currently only \$52,000 has been collected in dues. If you have not paid your child's dues, please consider sending the balance this week. You may message Jeff Cunningham for a time to meet at HMS, visit the band's website, www.hhsbands.org to pay using PayPal, or mail it to HBPA at P.O. Box 15287 Chesapeake, VA 23328. Any financial hardships may be addressed with either Jeff Cunningham or Mr. Enloe.

The association is in need of a Treasurer for this new year. Jeff Dooley has volunteered to stay on for a few months, and help to mentor someone in taking over the position. Please consider helping out by contacting any board member if you are interested. Uncle Sam isn't the only one who needs you! ☺

Charms is a website that HBPA and the directors use to communicate directly with students and parents. If you have not visited Charms, you may find the link on the band's website, www.hhsbands.org. If you are having difficulty setting up your account, you may contact Ms. Cox at crystal.cox@cpschools.com. If you have an email account with Yahoo, make sure Charms is part of your address book to avoid your email address being kicked back, not allowing emails to reach you.

Mr. Enloe began with a welcome and a big thank you to Hickory Middle School, and Centerville Baptist Church for allowing the band use of their facilities while the HHS band room undergoes HVAC replacement until August 31st. He highly encouraged everyone to please sign up for committees, and to NEVER assume we

have too many volunteers. The program is considered as being "premier" due to the multi-faceted, talented, hard-working students, staff, and parents.

The theme for the show this year is, "Celestial Stuff." ☺ Props needed for the show are Earth, Mars, Jupiter, stars(NOT SNOWFLAKES ☺), moons, and asteroids. Bases used last year can probably be reused to roll these on the field.

Media release forms, and medical forms are on www.hhsbands.org . Please print these, fill them out, and return to section leaders or Ms.Cox.

To prepare for the August camp, section leaders will be holding sectionals throughout the remainder of the summer. It not only helps to build embouchures, "chops," but relationships which in turn helps the entire band's performance. Students are also encouraged to wear sunglasses, sunscreen, light colored clothing, and hats. Hydrating the night before is highly recommended, and NO MILK during camp. The Gatorade Brigade will be present to help with hydration during the day, but be sure to send extra water and a lunch with your student. The August camp will run from 7:30AM to 4:00PM.

Important Dates:

July 14th Golf Tournament Meeting at Centerville Baptist Church at 6:30PM

July 28/29 Santa Clara Vanguard will be rehearsing at GBMS

August 10th & 11th Marching Hawks Pre Camp

August 14th FUNDRAISER, Gold Tournament at Cahoon Plantation @ 8:00AM

August 17th -21st Marching Band Camp

August 24th 28th Marchng Band Camp

August 31st – September 2nd Marching Post Camp

September 4th Home Football Game

September 11th Away Football Game

September 12th Fall Camp

September 18th Home Football Game

September 26th SEVMG(Marching band competition hosted by us)

October 3rd Grassfield Competition

October 10th Sportsplex Competition

October 17th Cox Competition

October 29th – Nov.1st BOA Atlanta, Georgia Competition(First performance on Friday, October 30th)

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 with parents headed to sign up with committee members as volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorie Wilson, HBPA Secretary