## John Henderson Band Parents Association

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 2, 2024
6:30 PM
John Henderson School Library

Meeting Chair, Laura Zinn

#### Attendance and Introductions:

Leigh Stachniak, Sheri Stoesz, Laura Zinn, Cheryl Madden, Brandy Zelinsky, Lesley Hall, Karen Dolyniuk, Lorraine Marsland, Orvie Dingwall, Chris, Erin, Leslie, Liza

Review minutes of June 11 meeting, Lorraine motion to approve, Lesley seconded, passed.

### Band Director Update: Laura Zinn

Positive and successful Grade 6 First Lesson Night (September 12), 12 clinicians, grade 6 band has 100 students this year.

Jazz Band auditions being held this week for grade 7 & 8 students, postings will be made next week with info letter home to follow soon thereafter. For reference, jazz band had 40 ~ students last year.

Grade 8 band to perform at school Remembrance Day assembly, Thursday, November 7.

Winter Band Concert, January 16, 2025

Concert Band Festival, grade 8 band only, February 18-21

Brandon Jazz Festival, jazz band only, March 13-14

Edmonton Band Trip, grade 8 band students with intent, April 13-16

WPG Wind Ensemble Concert, grade 8 band, April 27

Level One Band Festival, grade 6 & 7 band, April 22-25

Spring Band Concert, May 13

Financial Update: Brandy Zelinsky

Opening balance \$17,577.83

Paid for new euphonium and clinicians for First Lesson Night

Closing balance \$14,14.95

Funds need to be available for bus transportation, sound technicians, ticket printing etc.

Laura considering the purchase of a full-size tuba, cost \$6000-\$12000 depending on model.

Fundraiser Update: Lesley Hall

Shelmerdines chosen to be winter fundraiser provider, funds to support the entire band program.

Rocco's Pizza chosen for individual fundraisers for grade 8 Edmonton Trip.

Winter/Spring Band Concerts add to band program funds.

#### Other Business: group discussion

Will continue to offer matinee performances at concerts to alleviate congestion in gym in the evenings.

Losing some student population to boundary restructuring in fall of 2025.

WSO Night Out at the Symphony will not be offered this year through the school because of staffing changes.

## Positions: group discussion

Chair: Orvie Dingwall

Co-Chair: vacant

Secretary: Tynesa Diakiw

Treasurer: Brandy Zelinsky

Grade 6 Rep: Cheryl Madden

Grade 7 Rep: Celina Shlafman

Grade 8 Rep: Karen Dolyniuk

Fundraising Rep: Lesley Hall

# **Meeting Dates:**

Wednesday, November 6

Wednesday, January 8

Wednesday, February 5

Above meetings will take place on TEAMS

Meeting adjourned, 7:14 pm