



**Cumberland Valley Band Boosters  
July Meeting  
July 16, 2020, 7:30 PM  
Zoom**

**In Attendance/Members Present:**

Walt Adamy  
Jessica Arcega  
Jennifer Blatnick  
Janet Butterfield  
Erika Compliment  
Liz Gabel  
Kim and Ron Guyer  
Rhonda Hebbard  
Kendra Millbrand  
Mr. Porter  
Karen Smith  
Kirk Stein  
Elizabeth Underkoffler

Meeting commenced at 7:00 PM

**New Business:**

The President presented an introduction of the 2020-21 Cumberland Valley Band Boosters Board. This year's board consists of the following:

President, [Jen Cannon](#)

1st Vice President, [Janet Butterfield](#)

2nd Vice President, [Rhonda Hebbard](#)

Recording Secretary, [Erika Compliment](#)

Corresponding Secretary, [Kendra Milbrand](#)

Treasurer, [Walter Adamy](#)

Assistant Treasurer, [Loren Bahnick](#)

## **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer reported the following balances:

- Checking Account: \$5024.94
- Money Market Account: \$40,000

## **Fundraisers**

Our last two fry wagon fundraisers earned \$3000. This is not the net number as we have not yet accounted for the cost of food, etc. The fry wagon events are very important to the financial health of the organization as we, like so many other organizations, have lost fundraising opportunities due to COVID-19. We stand to lose around \$30,000 in profit if we lose our football game concession opportunities on top of the loss of our summer fundraisers.

Fundraisers pay for things like insurance for the band, maintenance on cars and trailers and our yearly audit. As a result, we will need continued and maximum support for fundraisers this summer. Please visit this [link](#) to sign up for fundraisers that are occurring on July 18, July 22 and July 29.

## **Band Director's Report**

### **Sectionals**

Mr. Porter noted that in-person sectionals will begin the week of July 20.

- Mondays and Thursdays will be Percussion, Battery and Pit.
- Woodwinds and Brass will be Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Color Guard will be meeting on Monday, July 20 and 27 and Wednesday July 23 and 30.

## **Band Camp**

Band Camp will be held August 3 - 7 and August 10 - 13. This is in an effort to work within the resources we have since we cannot access the school building. Weather may be an issue so please make sure that you subscribe to updates by texting cvmbfamily to 81010. Students can text heyband to 81010.

## **CVMB**

The CVMB calendar is also available by visiting [here](#).

## **Shows and Cavalcade**

Movements two and three for the show are currently being written. The drills will be simple with the kids four steps apart but at closest, three. This will maintain the six feet in distance between the students. There will be many “park and barks” worked into the show where the students will stand still and play since it is just not possible to have the normal amount of movements with the criteria on health and distancing that we are working with.

Cavalcade of Band Championships scheduled for the second week of November are cancelled. This is due to the fact that there are many groups coming from a wide geographical area made up of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland. However, Cavalcade is still going to give directors options for shows. Therefore, on Sunday, July 19, band directors will be meeting with the Cavalcade of Band board of directors so that some questions can be answered and discussions can take place regarding the modified plan for shows. Here is what some of those modified plans might look like:

- Live show with a reduced judging panel
- Virtual (Zoom or recording) shows with a reduced judging panel
- Educational clinic opportunities with Cavalcade adjudicators and educators during a training.

Mr. Porter also stated that we are very limited in travel due to funding, as the Band Booster fundraisers do pay for a lot of these travel costs. Please know that he is doing everything he can to make this a memorable and rewarding season for our kids, even under these unprecedented circumstances.

Mr. Porter offered some time for anyone to ask questions. None of the attendees had questions. Mr. Porter provided his email for parents to ask questions, [DPorter@cvschools.org](mailto:DPorter@cvschools.org).

## **1st Vice President Report**

We have three fry wagon events coming up. The one at Turnbury is this weekend and we are in good shape for that one as far as volunteers are concerned. Turnbury's event will be in conjunction with the neighborhood yard sale which gives us the chance to serve breakfast (chicken biscuits and hash browns) then move into the more traditional fry wagon fare like fried mozzarella and french fries. In addition, there will be a fry wagon event on July 22 in Carlisle at The Meadows. Lastly, there will be a fry wagon fundraiser on July 29th at Fair Hill which is right outside of Schaul Elementary in Enola.

The Day of the Week practice fundraiser is still ongoing. Please encourage your students to have family and friends sponsor them for a day or two. This is a very important fundraiser during our reduced fundraising time.

There are students dropping out of band due to parental concerns. Mr. Porter needs to give drill numbers to the drill writer by July 30th so it is important that a decision is made by then by your family on whether or not your student will be moving forward with the band season.

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In previous years, parents have provided a lot of things like meals and drinks to the students during practices and performances. This is not the case. As a result, please make sure your student has everything they need for camps and practices. These items are:

- Personal water supply (64 oz. recommended)
- Sneakers & Socks (NO sandals)
- Mask; "gaiter" around the neck style recommended. There will be an opportunity to purchase a CVBB gaiter mask. More to come on that. However, for camp, kids can wear whichever mask works best for them. Gaiters just happen to be easier for musicians.
- "Dot Book" w/shoelace to use as strap (example pictured at left; 3.5"x5.5" is a good size; spiral-bound makes life easy) and pencils
- Sunscreen/sunglasses (sun can still do damage at 6pm) & Bug spray

- (For Musicians) Instrument, Reeds/Valve Oil, Wire music stand, 3-ring binder, clothespins/binder clips, and page protectors. Wire music stands are available at the Horn Hospital or Menchey Music

Mr. Porter reminded us that the students will need their wire stands for in-person practice as well. He also reiterated that it is so important to sign up for REMIND and text messages so that parents and students can stay up to date on events and schedules.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37