

Motion to accept the minutes from Wednesday, November 14, 2024

1st Laura Quirk

2nd Heather Writenour

Mr. Gramata's Announcements:

- Ensemble updates
 - Great Holiday Concert with a surprise power outage! Thank you to everyone for coming out to support the bands.
 - Band midterms end of January for placement in next year's ensembles
 - Jazz Band starts 12/18 open rehearsal. Regular rehearsal Mon & Wed 5-7pm
 - NJSMA festival March 18, 2025 West Essex HS Wind Ensemble and possibly symphonic band
- Area Band Auditions Complete; Area Band Performance Mount Olive HS ~ January 11, 2025
- Region Band auditions Jan. 4 State Auditions will follow.
- 2025 Marching Band Important Dates
 - Aug 11-15, Guard and Percussion Camp
 - Aug 12-14 Mini Winds Camp
 - Aug 18-22 Full Band Camp
 - USBands WM Home Show October 4, 2025
 - NJ States November 1, 2025
 - Nationals November 8, 2025

Treasurer's Report: Shawn Rubenaker

- Finance Report
 - Tattoo Update-next year is 25 years!

Announcements: Mary Duffy

- Winter Concert–Simply Magical–even with the minor hiccup!
- Poinsettia Sale–Barbara Luciw
- Tag Day–Cold and Festive–The Highlanders spread much holiday cheer! \$2402.26 in profits Students made \$11.21/hr
- Pocket Book Bingo Meeting: We met on Wednesday, December 4th–Great ideas were generated. We NEED your help to make it the most successful. Proceeds–perhaps new equipment for concession stand–refrigerator??
- Gift cards for HS custodians and 2 maintenance–11 people–distributed.
- Gift to Athletic Hall of Fame–Snowman Inflatable.

Uniforms: Mary Duffy, Aaron Tornow

• Make sure all the pieces are together; Please keep all pieces together. Make sure they are safe. We will use them for parades.

Indoor Guard: Show January 18th 11am-9pm 20 participating guards, clothing drive the same day

- Volunteers Needed.
- Donations Needed.
- Set up the night before
- ShopRite donating
- Guard will be going to Dayton for WGI but not Salem



State Championship Patch–Jackie Scalia

- Online order form was sent.
- \$15 each, cash or check

Fundraisers:

- Hoagie Sales—Tom O'Dell & Jackie Scalia—NEED SOMEONE TO SHADOW FOR NEXT YEAR
- **Pie-eyed**—March—Jess Redner–do not want to compete with hoagies.

Ongoing Fundraisers:

- Shoprite Cards: Destiny Wolff <u>destinylee75@yahoo.com</u> due: Nov.30, 2024; Dec. 30, 2024
- Raise Right Gift Cards: Audrie Tornow <u>audrie1995@gmail.com</u>

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Gentle Reminder:

• Band Box: NO CASH in the BAND BOX. If you have cash-convert to check.

Important Dates:

• Band Parent Meeting: January 29th, February 19th

Motion to adjourn:

1st Kelly Stinziano 2nd Mark Koenemund