**Call to Order**

6:35 PM

**Attendees**

Steven Boswell, Sarah Farster, Bobbi Welch, John Welch, Amy Ball, Susan Wurl, Bruce Atkinson, Crystal Atkinson, Deb Mozo, Doug Mulley, Mazsa Piktel, Jose Salas

**Directors**

Steve Boswell, Glenn Eikenberry, Sarah Farster

**Secretary’s Report**

Review and approve January 14, 2019 meeting minutes

Motion to approve by: Bobbi Welch Seconded By: Amy Ball

**Treasurer’s Report**

Treasurer’s Report from January/February

Thank you Deb Mozo for being our treasurer this year! We appreciate all that you’ve done for DoReMi! Doug Mulley will be taking over. Thank you Doug!

Motion to approve by: Bobbi Welch Seconded By: Bruce Atkinson

**Old Business**

* Events
  + Sun, 1/20: Bowling Bash, Bertrand Lanes, Waukegan 12:00pm – 4:00pm

-Discussed new ideas about fundraising and how to increase participation and build community/engagement within the band families. Discussed changing the timeframe of fundraising events (ex: Bowling Bash in the fall rather than winter). Deb Mozo will send out a survey to parents asking preferences for fundraisers days/times/etc. Doug M. Suggested possibly getting advertising on the website or in concert programs and/or asking businesses to donate an amount to go towards student lessons/instruments/etc. Doug will also look into MOD Pizza fundraiser.

* + Wed, 1/30: Evening Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal @ Viking, 6:00pm
  + Thur, 1/31: Gurnee Portillo’s Fundraiser 5:00pm – 8:00pm
  + Sat, 2/2: District Solo/Ensemble Contest @ Park Campus – Round Lake
  + Wed, 2/6: Evening Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal @ Viking, 6:00pm – 7:30pm
  + Tue, 2/19: 5th Grade Band Rehearsal @ River Trail, 8:30am – 9:30am
  + Tue, 2/19: 5th Grade Band Concert @ Prairie Trail, 6:00pm
  + Wed, 2/20: Black History Month Celebration @ Prairie Trail, 6:15pm
  + Thur, 2/21: Warren Jazz Festival, Jazz Ensemble 6:30pm
  + Sat, 2/23: Rolling Meadows Jazz Festival, Jazz Ensemble
  + Thur, 3/7: Contest “Preview” 6th-8th Bands & Choirs @ Viking, 7:00pm
  + Fri, 3/8: Organizational Contest @ Wilmette MS (Symphonic Band)

**New Business/Upcoming Events**

* Upcoming Events
  + Mon, 4/22: Do Re Mi Meeting @ Viking Band Room, 6:30pm
  + Tue, 4/23: Viking Jazz Night @ Viking, 6:30pm
  + Wed, 5/8: 6th – 8th Grade Spring Concert @ Viking, 7:00pm
  + Fri/Sat, 5/11: Music in the Parks
  + Mon, 5/13: 5th Grade Band Rehearsal @ River Trail, 8:30am – 9:30am
  + Wed, 5/15: 5th Grade Band Tour
  + Wed, 5/15: Ravinia 56 IC Band @ Prairie Trail, Dinner 5:30pm & Concert 6:00pm
  + Fri/Sat, 5/18: Music in the Parks
  + Mon, 5/27: Memorial Day Performance, 6th Grade Band @ War Memorial (NWX Wash & O’Plaine)
  + Thur, 5/28: 8th Grade Graduation @ Almond Campus, 6:00pm

**Director Reports**

Mr. Boswell – **Symphonic Band Contest** got a Division 1 rating which is the highest rating, the students got an opportunity to observe another band perform; **Contest Preview Concert** went really well; **Rolling Meadows Jazz Festival** - Jazz Ensemble attended and had a great time, it was a great opportunity for the kids to spend time together and watch other jazz bands; Jazz Ensemble will possibly attend an additional jazz festival next year.

Mr. Eikenberry - **Jazz in the Meadows -** This was our first year taking any groups to any jazz competition. It was a hugely positive experience. I think we performed well and got a decent, brief clinic, but there was tons of value in the entire day. We saw some incredible high school groups, and a few middle school groups, which was especially impactful to our kids. It is so inspiring and door-opening for our kids to see their peers play at a high level, or even improvise at a high level. Three of our kids participated in the “jazz jam” portion of the evening, and came back to tell me that “that was SOOO fun!”; **Contest Preview Concert -** Overall pleased with the performance. Frustrated with poor audience behavior from kids; **IGSMA Organizational Contest -** Symphonic Band did great, congrats to them for a strong performance and a Division I ranking; ***Upcoming Events:* Art Hildebrand Memorial Invitational** (formerly Little People Band Festival)Thursday, March 14, during school day at Sunset Ridge School in Northfield, Perform contest pieces and clinic. **Jazz Night –** Wednesday, April 24. We’ll be asking parents to bring some food to share to create a more relaxed vibe for the evening; **Jazz Ensemble @ Asissi Homes –** Thursday, April 25, tentative; **Dinner Theatre –** Jazz Ens. Performs **–** May 3 & 4, times TBA; **Viking Band Concert –** Wed, May 8; **Select Chamber Ensembles play at other Gurnee retirement home –** Friday, May 10, tentative; **Chamber Music Day –** Friday May 17 tentative – is it a “Day of \_\_\_\_\_” at Viking?

Ms. Farster – **5th Grade Band** is doing really well; **Northsore Concert Band** – The directors brought a group of students down to Evanston to see the Northshore Band that Mrs. Farster is in; **MYAC** - Midwest Youth Arts Conservatory – A few students will be auditioning for this; **Summer Opportunities** – Will get out more info for summer opportunities soon.

**Meeting Adjourn**

7:21 PM

**Next Meeting**

Monday, April 8, 2019 at 6:30