

**Spring-Ford Area School District
Extra-Curricular Committee
September 9, 2019**

Committee Members: Christina Melton (Chair), Linda Fazzini, Dawn Heine

Purpose: The extra-curricular Committee reviews and makes recommendations to the School Board regarding the offerings in athletics, fine arts, clubs, intramurals and other student programs. The committee meets with athletic directors, intramural coordinators, club advisors, fine arts directors and participating students to gain insight on the variety and quality of the current offerings. The committee makes recommendations to the School Board for changes, deletions or additions to the extra-curricular program.

Meeting Location: District Office Conference Room, 6:30 PM

Attendees: Christina Melton, Kelly Spletzer, Robert Rizzo, Wendy Earle, Will Cromley, Doug Reigner, Jennifer Reagan, Belinda Byrne, Seth Jones, Mickey McDaniel,

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Acceptance of May 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes deferred to October Meeting

OLD BUSINESS: (Intentionally Left Blank)

NEW BUSINESS:

Presentations

1. Spring-Ford Area High School –Band Programs

Seth Jones - The High School Bands Programs include the following ensembles: Golden Rams Marching Band; Indoor Percussion; Winter Guard (2 units); and Jazz Band (2 units). The band programs have a staff of 20, and are supported both monetarily and with volunteers from the Spring-Ford Music Association. There are approximately 190 Students in the Bands Programs, with 300 unique roles.

Marching Band – the Marching Band is looking forward to marching in the West Chester Parade, performing at 10 Football Games, and Competing in 6 events including the Bands of America Regional, and the Cavalcade Championships. The Marching Band will also be hosting the Pageantry of Sound Home Show on September 21st. The year will culminate with a trip to Atlanta GA in December to participate in the Peach Bowl Parade and at the game. There are 25 known Alumni participating in Collegiate Bands, including West Chester, Temple, Kutztown, and Ohio State.

Indoor Percussion – Started in 2013, Indoor Percussion Competes in the Mid-Atlantic Percussion Society (MAPS) Circuit. In addition, Spring-Ford is Host to the Cavalcade Indoor Semi-Finals.

Winter Guard - with approximately 55 students involved in the Winter Guard Program fields 2 teams, Blue and Gold. Last year, we were able to send one team to Winter Guard International (WGI) Championships. There is a good feed from the middle school program, and interest continues to grow.

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Jazz Ensembles - Beginning in January, we have 2 Jazz ensembles who compete on the local circuit. Sometimes teaching Jazz is “Like teaching a different language”, which makes it like no other group. Last year the Jazz Ensemble won Best in Show at the Disney World Competition.

2. Spring-Ford Area High School - Ramoires
Jen Reagan - Ms. Reagan introduced us to the Literary Magazine, Ramoires. The publication includes student works ranging from Photography, Poems, Limericks, Drawings etc. Last year 25 submissions were received, and there were 5 students that assisted with the publication. In order to keep costs of the publication down, the group sponsors one to two open Mic Night. Last year the timing of the publication was off, but for this school year, they will make sure the publication is available for purchase at the District Art Festival in May.

3. High School Athletics – Fall update
Mickey McDaniel – Little to report as the Fall Season is just getting into swing. There are approximately 600 Students participating in Fall Sports. Working with Metz (then Gross and First Student) to cover trips that Custer’s cannot accommodate.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- **Boys Varsity Volleyball (Spring)** Tabled until November 2019

- **Middle School Expansion Pilot Update:**
 - Everything is scheduled. Will have a better idea in November as to any challenges.

ADJOURNMENT: The Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Next Extracurricular Meeting will be held on Thursday November 11, 2019 at 6:30 PM in the District Office Conference Room.