

UPPER PERKIOMEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Education Center
2229 E. Buck Road, Pennsburg, PA

Extracurricular Committee

VIRTUAL Meeting MINUTES

October 15, 2020 – 6:00 pm

CHAIR: Peg Pennepacker

MEMBERS:

Mike Elliott
Dana Hipszer

Ex-Officio: Dr. Kerry Drake, President

Superintendent: Dr. Allyn Roche

AGENDA

1. Approval of September 17, 2020 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A) – Meeting called to order at 6:00pm. Mr. Hipszer motion to approve minutes and second by Ms. Pennepacker – minutes approved 2-0.
 - a. In Attendance – Ms. Pennepacker, Mr. Hipszer, Mr. Kurzweg, Ms. Holman, Dr. Roche
2. Old Business
 - a. Identification of building extracurricular activities:
 - i. Mr. Hipszer (Marlborough & Hereford) – Science Explorers Program and Reading Olympics
 - ii. Ms. Pennepacker (High School) – Collected a list from the HS principal and a link to the HS Website
 - iii. Question – how to catalog the long list of school activities across the District
 - b. Sports/Band/Choir Fundraising Scholarship – Ms. Pennepacker shared with the group that we have a fund available for the athletics, musicians and singers to support financial needs based upon the criteria that is previously established. What is the best way to share this scholarship info – Ms. Pennepacker is going to follow-up with Dr. Thomas to make sure he is aware of the opportunity.
3. New Business – Conversations with:
 - a. Mr. Robert Kurzweg, UPSD Athletic Director – Mr. Kurzweg shared an update on athletics – going great since July, students and coaches have followed the Health & Safety Plan, Athletic Trainers have been a tremendous support through this entire process, daily screenings are taking place, in depth conversation on the NFHS network, camera and program system for the two turf fields and the HS gymnasium, overview of the ability for NFHS and impact for coaches, game film

and the ability to exchange film with other teams, some small technical issues and hoping to get the scoreboard at Keeney Stadium connected on future games
Question on future vision for Upper Perk Athletics – maybe a topic for a future meeting when Mr. Kurzweg is attending.

- b. Ms. Robin Holman, UP High School Interim Band Director – Mrs. Holman shared an update on the Marching Band, goal to follow the Health & Safety Plan, Continue to have a field show (socially distanced), Band Shows on Oct 9th (recording available on NFHS site) and Oct 17th Homecoming Show at 1:00pm, volunteer parent pit crew is helpful this year with the increased participation in the pit area, participating in a virtual competition this year with feedback from the judges this Saturday at 6:00pm, 59 students in the current marching band (lost 6 to Covid-19 concerns), looking forward to adding more band front members that are coming from the middle school, MS band (6th – 8th) is growing and is currently at 147 students at this time.
4. Comment – Next meeting on November 19, 2020 – Dr. Roche will extend the Invites to NHS (Colby Phillips) and Choir (Dr. Mark Thomas) to attend the meeting.
5. Adjourn – 6:45pm