

Band Booster Meeting Minutes: June 16, 2015
Janis Stockhouse's home, 6:15PM

The band booster meeting was called to order by president Erin Wager-Miller. All present introduced themselves. Members present included:

Officers: Erin Wager Miller, Ray Foster, Claire Tafoya, Jeannie Galbreath

Doug Alexander, Robin Powell, Teresa Barnett, Bill Barnett, Michelle Bright, Jill Minor, Lisa Mann, Joslyn Ellison, Lisa Ensmann, Amy Tomey, Tom Wilson, Janis Cooper Parker, Janis Stockhouse, Julie Campbell

Items discussed included the following:

Proposed 2015/2016 Budget

Copies of the proposed versus actual expenditures for past years, including 2014/2015 were distributed. It was noted that for the 2014/2015 year, the band program was approximately \$12,000 in the black. Discussion was held regarding how to distribute the monies. Mr. Wilson noted that the current uniforms will be in need of replacement within the next 2-3 years and also brought up that the truck could need some upkeep/maintenance. Erin brought up that there had been discussion about the boosters kicking in some monies for the LA trip. However, it was noted that this had never been done for any trips previously. Janis Cooper Parker mentioned the idea of giving a percentage to each area of the band program. Finally, it was suggested by Mr. Wilson to move \$8,000 to the uniform/truck fund with the rest being used as a buffer for unforeseen expenses. A motion was made by Jeannie Galbreath to approve this use of funds. Erin Wager-Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The overall budget for the 2015/2016 school year was approved after a motion made by Robin Powell with a second from Janis Cooper Parker.

Marching Band Camp, Parent Pitch in and March-A-Thon

Pitch in:

This year's pitch-in is taking place on August 22nd. Jeannie Galbreath, coordinator of the parent pitch in, informed those present that she may be unable to attend the pitch in due to a family obligation. It was noted that if this is the case, someone will take over the organization and running of the pitch in on the day of.

Janis Cooper Parker will be unable to be at the pitch-in to man the march-a-thon booth. Erin Wager-Miller will be take over in her absence.

The timing of the event was okayed by Tom Wilson. Students will eat at 5P, parents at 5:15, presentation to parents at 6P and a 6:30 performance.

Erin Wager-Miller will look into using a lap top on one of the cafeteria TV's to showcase the band's website during the event.

In an effort to streamline the flow of parents, especially those that are new to the band program, the front doors of the building will be locked so that all parents have to enter via the band doors. Additionally, parent “roamers” with “ask me” tags will mingle to answer questions and direct parents.

Bandcamp

Erin, and Julie will be coordinating meals for the week. Bandcamp is the week of July 27th.

March-a-thon

As in years past, march-a-thon will be kicked off prior to the beginning of classes. This years kick-off will be the Tuesday of bandcamp, July 28th. Once the show theme is announced, Janis Cooper Parker will assemble the needed materials for the event. Amy Tomey will be helping with packets. The event will conclude at the parent pitch in on August 22nd. Robin Powell will help with final tallies so that grand totals can be announced on this evening.

LA or Bust

Fundraising: Erin reported that the fundraising is going very well. The first car wash made \$860 and there is another scheduled July 18th. The farmers market in Smithville continues to be lucrative for students wanting to play in the one hour slots from 11-12:00. The gig pays \$30 per student plus students receive tips. All weekends are needing to be filled with students interested in playing. There will be a bulb sale in the fall. The mattress sale will be happening in the commons on 8/15. The kickoff meeting for the sale occurs 7/23 and all parents are requested to attend. This meeting will also serve as a sort of marching band parent orientation.

Tee shirts: There will be a tee shirt design contest for the trip. This will be announced to students sometime in July. Once designs are submitted students will vote. The winning design will be used on apparel for the trip. The designer will receive a free item with the design on it.

Spirit Wear

Teresa Barnett explained that students will have the option of a sweatshirt or tee for the LA trip.

Mr. Wilson will deliver the show design to the spirit committee so that the show shirts can be made. Both the show shirt made for parents, and the LA shirts will be available for purchase at the parent pitch-in, along with other spirit wear. Vintage items will also be available at that time.

The spirit committee will be meeting with section heads to organize “welcome” posters for new marchers this year.

Directory

Lisa Ensman shared her plans of stream-lining the directory and the email lists this year. She will be working to get people signed up for both at this year’s pitch in.

New Business

The guard will be doing a yard sale this year. A date needs to be set. Ana Velasco will be spear-heading this.

Mr. Wilson will be taking down the current marching band facebook page and will be replacing it with a more regulated page. This page will be considered the official BHSN band page. It will be a spot to post updates, schedules and news. Mr. Wilson will be approving the posts that go up.

The meeting was adjourned by Erin Wager Miller.

Respectfully submitted by,
Jeannie Galbreath
BHSN band secretary