

## **Band Booster Minutes**

### **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2015**

**President Mary Hovater** called the meeting to order at 7:04. Welcomed everyone and called to their attention the new place for signing in, the table located in the hall outside the band room doors. Signing in helps your child gain points toward obtaining their letter in band. Reminded everyone to pick up the various handouts located on the music stands as they first entered the band room.

**Minutes** from July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting have been posted on the band web page. Mary ask if any corrections need to be made. Regina Baker noted that the date of the Friday night band camp performance was inaccurately reported as the 17<sup>th</sup>, it should be the 31<sup>st</sup>. It was also noted that the Treasurer's Report contained in the July 14<sup>th</sup> Minutes had not been zeroed out, as is customary, for the web page is accessible to the public. Secretary Pam Blair stated that correction are duly noted and will be made for approval at the September 29<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Sonya reported the booster account has a balance of \$0, of which \$0 is concession deposits. The Pride Store has made \$0 so far, this is more than was made all of last year.
- Only ninety or so students have paid their band fees.
- Approximately 5,250 band cards have been sold.
- ALL band cards and or monies MUST be turned in no later than Thursday September 3, 2015.
- The boosters are in need of a Band Card Chairperson to head up this important task next year.
- Anyone that needs to be reimbursed for items must first obtain and fill out a reimbursement form. Checks are written once a month and can be picked up at the booster meeting.
- Motion, second, Treasurer's Report approved as reported.

### **Mary**

- Spoke of the various 'goods' for purchase; Booster t-shirts, Bearcat caps, Bearcat Band t-shirts, and Show shirts. Please stop by the merchandise table after tonight's meeting.
- Thanks to all those that have volunteered to help with water, this year more folks than ever before signed up, thank you!
- The positions of Band Card Chairperson and Secretary need to be filled for

the 2016-2017 school year, if you are interested, please let it be known.

- Sign-up sheets for the concession stand are going around. This is another opportunity for boosters to help their student obtain points toward their band letter by signing up to work at any of the Middle School, JV, or High School games.
  - John Sisk – Thank you to Mrs. Bean for presenting the Beginning Band Open House. The boosters might possibly think about setting up a table to encourage booster participation next year.
- The truck door repairs and the wraps on the truck and trailer are complete.
- Mitch Smith has agreed to allow us to use one of their pick-up trucks to pull the equipment trailer again this year.
- LaTonya Boike – Thanks to all the parents for reminding the kids to bring all their uniform parts. There have been no check-out at the first two games, only socks have been requested.
- Jackie Burnham – Things have been great, all the volunteers are so appreciated. They have been very helpful at these first two home games with water and mats.
- You all know how HOT it has been, if you haven't seen the cool wraps provided to each of the band members by International Fire Protection (Kelly Smith and her husband) ask your children about it, and tell them to use it!
- John Sisk – Things are going fabulous. Having some difficulty with casters on the speaker cart rolling.
- Katherine McLeroy – Please continue to email pictures to her or Mr. Smith.

### **Mrs. Bean**

- For the first time in twenty-six years the beginning band was not permitted to be at East and West Elementary for open house, so we held our own Beginning Band Open House at the middle school this year.
- Went over various hand-outs, Beginning Band packet, Volunteer Sheets, Calendar, etc.
- If you volunteer for the concession stand, but are not contacted, come any way.
- We have one game this week on Thursday, we will meet at 4:30.
- We have a field trip scheduled for October 23 to Tuscaloosa, it will culminate with a performance by the Million Dollar Band.
- This year's band t-shirts were designed by student Tessa Akins, they are available for \$10.00, students will wear them to pep rallies.
- September 19<sup>th</sup> is the Fair Parade, students should wear khaki shorts and

their band t-shirt.

- There will be a Beginning Band meeting at 6:30 on September 15<sup>th</sup> in the middle school lunch room.
- Please remember to bring in your Box Tops, we collect them year around.
- Thank you to Mr. Teuscher for all your hard work, you are doing a great job.

### **Mr. Smith**

- Went over the various hand-out. Noted that the trip summary has changed a bit. No changes to the updated calendar. There will be two Band Booster meetings during the month of September.
- September 19<sup>th</sup> is the date of the Fair Parade and Exhibition.
- October 3<sup>rd</sup> will be The Southern Hospitality band competition in Hartselle.
- October 17<sup>th</sup> will be The Contest of Champions band competition in Jacksonville on the JSU campus.
- The students wholeheartedly wanted there to still be a German Band, so it will continue on, it has been a tradition since 1971.
- Mr. Smith gave a passionate plea for the beginning band and the music program as a whole.
- Thanked Mr. Teusher for his contributions to the band program, he is a gift.
- Spoke of the need for all boosters, and others associated with the band program to be vigilant. Like/Follow 'Keep Cullman Musical' and 'Cullman Band Boosters' on the various social media sites. Please keep all remarks and post CLASSY!
- If anyone sees Dr. Patterson when you are out and about, please thank her for the boards continued support of the Sixth Grade Beginning Band Program.

### **Mr. Teusher**

- Thank you everyone for the warm reception that you have all given me. It's all good. I have been asking a lot of the students and they have been giving a lot. I am enjoying all of the students.

### **Various Remarks**

- Mr. Smith will provide information about band competitions as soon as he receives it.
- Yes NFocus will be doing video again this year.
- John Sisk request that members of the pit crew see him.

- Don't forget to stop by the merchandise table and see some of the item we have for sale.

Next meeting is scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015 @ 7:00p.m.

There was a motion, a second, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:57.

Pam Blair, Secretary

Mary Hovater, President