

**Band Booster Minutes**  
**Tuesday, November 8, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 by President Ondrea Pate.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Big Band Dance is Friday 2/3 from 7-9. It will be at Desperation Church which is closer. We are only paying to tear down their set and to put it back up and to clean up afterwards. They aren't charging us to use the facility. It will be \$10 per person and have a winter theme. We have lots of water left we can use and we will have light concessions from volunteers.
- Tomorrow night at 5:00 at concession stands we are putting together goody bags. There is a list to donate online on the Band Booster page.
- Our new band truck has been purchased by the school system. We are going to move the box and get a lift or ramp. It was wrecked on the way to us from the factory. The new one is in the final stages of construction so it could be here as soon as 3 weeks. We will still be getting it 6 months sooner than we thought because they said next summer.
- The school board and superintendent have gotten 5 new buses. They are getting good equipment and drivers. Football and band pay for officers at home and away games.
- We still have band shirts for sale.
- The trailer for percussion needs service soon. Needs updating in the off season. McGriff does our trailer repair. We use the trailer for every after school rehearsal. It gets more wear and tear than the truck.
- Mr. Smith usually makes a poster for the Big Band Dance. We need to start advertising in January.

**TREASURER REPORT**

- Our bank balance is \$ . We exceeded what we did last year. We had a lot of help from boosters and kids. We needed the boost after Covid.

**MRS. BEAN**

- She has made a newsletter for fall. It has a flashback feature to highlight some of our graduates. Thad Walker who is now band director at West Point is featured in this one.

- We had fair parade and Night at the Stadium. We appreciate the boosters, Mr. Smith and Mr. Teuscher. This gives the students inspiration from the older players.
- Our fundraiser of selling band cards after the High School is done has been the best year since the 90's. We have used \$ to replace stands.
- Mr. Teuscher was selected as 1 of the CHS staff members of the month in October.
- All County and All State are coming up.
- We played at first Pep Rally. We took a field trip to see the Million Dollar Band play at Spectrum. Thursday of this week we are playing Grand Ole Flag for Veteran's Day.
- Christmas Concert - 12/8  
Middle School Jazz Band Concert - 12/13 at 6:30 in the MS band room
- Kurt Heinecke - alumni who is music director for Veggie Tales and for the music that plays during the light show on the Disney castle. He graduated in 1982 and has been writing music in Nashville and writing music for Disney. He is now composing music for school bands.
- We compile pictures and video clips for the year end band banquet. You are welcome to submit yours.

## **MR. SMITH**

- Tomorrow the kids will get the trip handbook. This has the full itinerary, rules, room lists and bus lists.
- He takes safety seriously. Universal is a very self-contained environment. We will drive in every morning. We are playing in the Macy's Holiday Spectacular parade on our first day in the parks. We are coming out first in the evening parade. He private messaged James Spann and asked about the weather. He said the system will be long gone. There will be paid uniformed security in hallways. There is a procedure for everything including handing out keys. There will be head counts halfway through the day. On the 2nd day we can park hop but not the 1st. The Go-Cart place has a separate track which requires a parent waiver, \$30 and a driver's license. We will be responsible for lunch on the way down and for lunch and dinner on the way back. Kids will need money for food and any other extras. The bus competition was started to motivate the kids. We have a scavenger hunt and every night we will get to the hotel late so kids will be worn out.
- 12/8 - Christmas concert

- We had a pep band event last week. It's a great way to get high school kids in front of little kids. They played for East, West and Primary students.
- We are transitioning to concert season. The Universal parade is the last marching season event.

**MR. TEUSCHER**

- Parking lot preview - the percussion trip - was great. Hope to go again next year.
- At the Muscle Shoals game we made a combined group with their drumline.
- In January, will start looking at the percussion concert and a couple of field trips.
- A middle school in Louisiana bought our old drumline in 8 minutes. We had a 12 year old sound system and now we have a new system and carts for equipment and speakers.

**MR. SMITH**

- Ondrea Pate has done a great job as President. We appreciate the boosters and anybody who did anything to help this season.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 and it was seconded.

Stephanie Lambert, Secretary  
Ondrea Pate, President