

Band Booster Minutes Tuesday, July 25, 2017

President Mary Hovater called the meeting to order at 7:01. Mary welcomed everyone and reminded them to sign in and pick up information sheets.

Mary announced the **Minutes** from the July 11, 2017 meeting were posted on the band web site. She asked if any corrections needed to be made. No comments. A motion was made to accept the minutes as recorded, the motion was seconded and all those present approved the minutes.

Treasurer Report

- Libby reported the booster account has a balance of \$0.
- The deposit for the Orlando trip has been paid.
- Band fees are being collected.
- The audit information that was requested by the High School has been send to Kim Hall, Principal.
- Libby will be at the concession stand every Thursday night at practice until farther notice for collecting any fees that need to be paid.
- Tonight is the last night Chaperones will be able to pay in full for the Orlando trip. We had a couple of openings for more chaperones to go.
- A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report, there was a second, and the treasurer's report was approved as reported.

New Business

- Fryers for concession stand
 - A motion was made to purchase a large and a small fryer for the concession stand, there was second.
 - Charlie Youmans and Tommy Schultz were asked with ordering the fryers before the first ballgame.

Old Business

- No old Business

Mr. Smith

- Reminded everyone to pick up a copy of the calendar hand out and that no changes have been made.
- **Band Pictures**
 - The full band and section pictures will be taken on August 11th, during 7th period.
 - Individual band member pictures will be made during the school year. The date will be announced later.
- The **Fair Parade** and **Band Exhibition** will be September 16th this year.
- **Marching Completion**
 - The Band will be attending two Marching Completions this year, both are in the month of October.
 - Northeast Alabama Marching Invitational, and
 - Jacksonville State Marching Southerners Contest
- **Departure for distant Football games**
 - We will be leaving school early for some of the away games due to the longer travel times.
 - For these distant games, we need to plan to have meals (i.e. Chick-fil-a sandwich, chips, drink, and dessert) available for band members again this year.
- Next year the school may be placed in a new region so the football schedule might be changing next year.
- The Cullman High School Band Orlando Magic Kingdom Performance trip summary was handed out. We discussed the summary briefly.
- Explained the Remind 101 text system and requested that parents' pick up an information sheet and to please sign up for Remind 101.
- We had the best band camp rehearsal today. Mr. Smith was happy with how things were progressing.
- If anyone needs to contact Mr. Smith this week it may be hard, please text him and he will get back to you as soon as he can during this week.

Mary

- Thanks for everyone for signing up to help with water during all the band practices.

- Joe and Judy Hayden will be at the concession stand to unlock the door 15 to 20 minutes before each band practice.
- The yearly band ice cream social at the end of band camp will be July 28. Please sign up to help and bring ice cream.
- Moe's Southwestern Grill has been providing Gatorade for the week of band camp. So, if you go to Moe's please make sure you let them know how much you appreciated them donating the Gatorade.
- **Senior Recognition Night** we will need more volunteers to help work concessions and chaperone, because the parents of Seniors will be on the field and taking part in the program that night.
- Please sign up for trash pickup after home games. Your child will get points if you participate, but make sure to sign-up after helping. Maximum points for trash pickup is achieved after helping at two events. This means everyone needs to participate at least twice.
- **Fundraisers - Swamp John's**
 - We will be having a Swamp John Fundraiser on July 27, from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at the Festhalle.
- **Fundraisers - Band Cards**
 - Band cards were handed out this week during band camp.
 - The envelopes contain the first 25 band cards, and a list of dates and times that Mary and Judy will be at the concession stand taking up money for cards and handing out additional cards.
 - The High School Band will be selling band cards through September 5th.
 - Everyone please try to sell as many cards as you can. The sale of the cards helps pay for your child's Orlando trip along with other band expenses.
 - For each band card sold a student will get 80% toward their Orlando trip and the band gets the other 20%. A student must sell 103 cards to cover their trip in full.
 - Walmart has not let the band know if cards can be sold in the front of their stores, yet. Mary will post on line if times will be available to sign-up and sell cards at Walmart.
- **Fundraisers – Concessions**
 - We will be having a training section in the concession stand on August 24th, during Thursday night's band practice. If you would like to help in the concession stand, please plan on participating.

- Inventory was taken in the pride store. We will be having some of the popular items that were sold this past year in the store.
- Pocket calendars will be passed out at the next boosters meeting that have the dates of all events for the band throughout the year.

Pit Crew

- John Sisk still needs more parents to sign up for the pit crew.

Chaperones

- Jackie Burnham let everyone know that we need chaperones for all home and away games, competition, and any trips that the band will be taking this year. We will be taking three buses this year. So please see Jackie Burnham or Iris Slayton and let them know if you would like to help, it is a lot of work and we have a lot of fun.
- Jackie told everyone that most of the away games will require leaving earlier, due to the distance. Please be sure and check the departure times.
- Mr. Smith will be posting the departure times in a text message, please watch for the text, and be at the school early enough to assist with departure.
- We need help in the stands for both home and away games. We need parents to assist with the following:
 - Pre-game: Roll-out the mats, the band sit on.
 - During-game: Hand-out water, when it rains, hand-out ponchos.
 - After halftime show: Take up the plumes once the entire band has left the field.
 - Post-game: Roll-up the mats.
- We need all the help we can get from the band parents. Thanks for everything that you do.

Uniforms

- Leslie Pruitt let everyone know that we have started handing out the band uniforms to the percussion and the freshman. We will hand out the remaining uniforms tomorrow to the other band members.
- We will be trying a new system of leaving the uniforms in the band room this year and NOT having students take their uniform home. We plan to have arrangements made for the uniforms to be taken to the cleaners a couple of times during the year. The band members will only need to take shoes, socks, and gloves home each week.

- Fees will be adjusted after we have talked with the cleaners about the cost of cleaning the uniforms.
- We will be getting rolling racks to take the band jackets to the away games.

Public Relations

- No reports

Equipment

- No reports

Dance line

- No reports

Color Guard

- No reports

Majorettes

- No reports

Mrs. Bean

- Welcomed all new parents and requested they sign up for Remind 101.
- Band camp is going great this week.
- We will be having the Beginner Instrument meeting on September the 7th.
- Thanks to Julie Smith, April Robertson, Nadine Jenkins, Sherry Krassick, and Leslie Pruitt for all their hard work in the uniform department.
- Pictures will be taken on Friday on the last day of band camp.
- The Middle School Band will be attending the High School Ice Cream Social and watching the high school band perform.
- Please remember to turn in picture ads this week for the football programs.
- There will be three Middle School home games this year. The games are August 29th, September 16th, and October 5th.
- November 3rd will be the Spectrum field trip to the University of Alabama to see the Million Dollar Band.
- The fair parade will be September 16th and the Exhibition will be the same afternoon at the High School Stadium.
- Please remember to save your box tops.

Mary announced the next Band Booster meeting is scheduled for September 5, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

There was a motion for the meeting to be adjourned, the motion was seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Shawn Phillips, Secretary
Mary Hovater, President