

Warrior Band Boosters General Meeting Minutes

Date: September 18, 2013
Location: Band Room
Meeting called to order: 7:05 pm
Attendance: Approximately

Booster President Kate Tierney called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.

The minutes from the August 22, 2013, Booster meeting were distributed prior to the meeting via email. The minutes were approved on motion from Gina Phinney, seconded by Sharon Warwick.

STATUS OF BANDS – Michael Larkin

- The band is not performing the National Anthem at the game this week. The school has a guitar player doing that.
- Jupiter Middle School just announced that they will have a North County Music String magnet program. They received a large grant to purchase string instruments, and they will offer music theory and digital music classes. The magnet began as a strings club with 50 kids.

CHRISTMAS TREES – Pam Crider

Christmas tree sales start October 1st and end November 1st. Flyers will be distributed in class on September 28th. There is a price increase on the largest tree because Delong Farms increased their prices by 10%.

Students receive 40-60% profit depending on the item. Fundraising accounts are credited with 100% of the net profit of a student's sales.

We do need help putting up posters around town and manning a sales table at football games. We should put posters up at the middle schools and send emails to the band directors. We can also distribute flyers at the McDonald's events.

We will also need help at tree pick up on Saturday, December 7th. Students receive community service hours if they help that day

The flyers and order form are available on the web site on the Forms page.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Rose Lynch

We have approximately \$19,000 in the bank, but we have bills coming in soon totaling \$14,000, and we cannot access another \$8,000. Our account is going to be depleted very soon.

IF you are not planning to fundraise, please pay your fair share or make payments ASAP.

- \$3,000 has been raised by banners alone. We are waiting for a deposit from the Athletic Boosters.
- We estimate \$3,500 was raised by Enjoy the City coupon book sales. This fundraiser is not closed yet.
- We did receive reimbursements from SFWGA for the event we hosted in March.
- We paid equipment bills for new drum heads and a tuba repair.
- We recently paid a large bill for the practice t-shirts, practice shorts and garment bags.
- We still have \$5,500 in uncollected Fair Share from last year, but \$500 was paid just today.

FORMS – Debbie Wiley

The white board was recently updated. Please take a look at the board; if your child's name is on it, then he/she still has forms to be turned in.

HOMECOMING FLOAT & CARNIVAL – Bonnie Welsh

Bonnie thanked Jamie Lindquist and Donna Ferrara for their help in getting the float ready. Bonnie has sign up sheets for the float and the carnival posted in the band room. Band students receive community service hours.

We do still need candy donations to toss to onlookers during the parade. Space on the float is limited, but we would like to fill all slots.

After the parade, the Homecoming Carnival is held in the courtyard. We need parent volunteers to sell food and drinks and to run our pong game.

HOUSE OF THE HAUNTED LODGE – Bonnie Welsh

The band is creating a scary space in the Elks Lodge House of the Haunted Lodge event again this year. We need help October 23-26 decorating the space and scaring attendees. Our theme this year is "Clowns vs Aliens." We have a 30' x 15' space, and we want to decorate it scary! There is a cash prize for the top three vote getters.

Bonnie noted that the Elks Lodge does give out scholarships.

FUNDRAISING

Please Be Seated Auditorium Chairs – Bonnie Welsh

Bonnie Welsh pointed out that this is an easy way to raise money for your fundraising account. Forms are located on the Forms page of the band web site.

Fun Pasta – Michelle Kellogg

The product has arrived in the front office. Michelle will distribute it on Monday from 7:00-8:45.

Mixed Bag Designs – Michelle Kellogg

Although this fundraiser does not officially start until September 20th, we do have packets available tonight. Online sales are also available. Please remember to charge your customers 3% sales tax. We will have an incentive/prize for the top sellers.

Enjoy the City Coupon Books – Michelle Kellogg

Please turn in all unsold coupon books ASAP. We will charge these books to fundraising accounts if they are not turned in soon. We would like to close out this fundraiser.

GL Scrip Gift Cards – Adrienne Avallone

We just got the coordinator changed with the company, so we are ready to place an order anytime.

Cheesecakes – Monica Cochran

We raised \$10,000 last year. This is not a difficult fundraiser to run; it is just a lot of paperwork. Monica does have orders from last year if you would like a copy. Like Mixed Bag Designs, this is a traditional catalog fundraiser.

Please do NOT turn in order forms and checks separately. Rose Lynch will put envelopes next to the collection box so orders and checks can be turned in together. Please put the student's name on all checks in the memo section.

We will need volunteers to help when the product is delivered. We may try to pre-bag the large orders to expedite distribution. Product must be picked up the day it is delivered.

Please see Monica to help volunteer.

It was noted that we must have a firm deadline for all fundraisers. We cannot delay ordering for late orders because that delays everyone's order. We normally give students a grace period of 2-3 days after a deadline, but that is all we can wait.

FOOTBALL GAME VOLUNTEERS

We need volunteers to help distribute water at the football games starting at 5:30pm. Please see Ben Carman if you can help.

UNIFORMS – Harvey White

There is a delay in ordering the show shirts for marching band because of school district policy.

As of July 1st, the school district is enforcing the use of vendors on the approved vendor list for all purchases. If there is not a vendor on the list designated for a purchase to be made, such as color guard uniforms, then you can use whatever vendor you like. Unfortunately, Country Tees is not on the approved vendor list. Although the school district is accepting new t-shirt vendors, it takes at least five weeks to get added to the list.

Garment bags should be available in two weeks.

NEW BUSINESS

Alumni Night - Bill Mallette

We are inviting all JHS Band Alumni to attend the Homecoming game and play with the band in the stands. We have emailed all alumni for whom we have email addresses, and Bill is advertising the event in the Palm Beach Post, The Weekender, and the Jupiter Courier. Bill will also try to contact WJTW.

Sharon Warwick will work the check-in table to greet attendees. We will display old photo albums and composite photos. We will provide water and light refreshments, but we want them to spend their money at concessions!

Rose Siebeneck will update the web site to post information about the event and the music that will be played by the alumni, including the Alma Mater and Fight Song.

Although we don't expect a big turnout this year, we are trying to build a base for next year. We would like a few more volunteers.

Concert Program Ads - Bill Mallette

We are selling advertising for our concert programs this year. The deadline is October 18th. All ads will be black and white. We estimate that students will earn 50% of the cost for ads.

The advertising form was emailed, and it is available on the forbidden shelf.

A question was raised as to whether we can have ads for tobacco or liquor businesses in the program. We will deal with that as necessary.

McDonald's Fundraiser

We are holding fundraisers at the McDonald's on Indiantown Rd and US 1 on Wednesday, October 2nd and Tuesday, October 29th from 4pm to 7pm. Funds raised go towards the FMBC trip.

Customers must present a voucher when paying for their orders, and 15% of the sales go to the band.

Veteran's Day Parade - Debbie Wiley

The Town of Jupiter is putting together a Veteran's Day parade starting at the Allegro Senior Center and ending at Abacoa Town Center. The Spirit of Jupiter will march in the parade, but the start time of the parade is to be determined.

JPAF Talk Like a Pirate Event – Sheril Jalm

Jupiter Performing Arts Fund (JPAF) president Sheril Jalm attended the meeting to discuss JPAF and invite everyone to attend JPAF's first fundraiser of the year tomorrow night. The Talk Like a Pirate event will be held at Bubba Gump's. Tickets are \$15 if purchased tonight (from Sharon Warwick) or \$20 at the door. Tickets include light appetizers and one drink. There will also be a silent auction.

Students can attend but the event is intended for adults because there is a bar available.

CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM: Football Game

- The food was awesome! We sold 76 units of funnel cakes and fried Oreos. We should try to sell fried dough items on the visitors' side. They could smell the dough but could not purchase it from the concessions on that side.
- We need Gatorade on the visitors side.
- There was an issue with band parent parking on Daniel's Way. Unlike previous years, band parents were not allowed to park in that lot. We will address this with the administration through Mr. Larkin.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Every time you volunteer at an event, please make sure you sign in/out on with the coordinator for that event to be sure you are properly credited with your volunteer hours. We have many people who are signing in, but not everyone is signing out.

All volunteers must also be registered in the school district's VIPS system. The hours logged in VIPS are NOT used towards the band volunteer credit, but volunteers should still enter their hours so the school is recognized by the district. Volunteers who log 100 or more hours in VIPS will also get a "golden tomahawk" pin at the volunteer breakfast at the end of the year.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Dress for the Homecoming parade is the white practice shirt and khaki shorts for all Spirit of Jupiter members.
- A question was asked about parent/volunteer shirts. The original order was going to be placed through Country Tees, and the price was set based on combining those orders with the show shirt order. Harvey White will investigate options, and we will send an email out when a decision is made.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm on a motion from Bill Mallette that was seconded by Susan Taylor.