



Band Booster Board Meeting (April 1, 2025 at 6:30 PM)

Attendees: Tom Nielander, Barbara Pyle, Kara Doyle, Patrick Kiser, Jeannette Wilson, Jeanne Ann Hartzog, April Young, Kenneth Carrico, Rodney Brown, Andrew Smith.

Meeting called to order by Tom Nielander at 6:31pm.

Secretary

- Minutes from previous meetings can be found on the Farragut band website. [Meeting Minutes - Farragut High School Band](#)
- All minutes taken by the Recording Secretary are posted on the website after they have been approved by vote no later than one month plus one week after the recorded meeting.

Treasurer & Assistant Treasurers

- Budget updates & Financial statements as of 1 April 2025:
 - No changes to approved 24-25 budget line items
 - School account booster funds = \$0.00
 - School director account Coupon book = \$0.00 (used in purchase of Sousa cases)
 - Bank Balance = Checking: \$35,733.83 & Savings: \$21,556.15
- Annual compliance submissions:
 - SSO Financial Information - Approved by KCS 01Aug24
 - SSO Tax Return - Approved by KCS 20Jul24
 - SSO Bylaws - Approved by KCS 17Jul24
 - SSO Information - Approved by KCS 20Jul24

VP Fundraising

- Fundraiser Recaps:
 - Giveback Nights:
 - 03/25-Red Robin in Turkey Creek - \$124.08

Upcoming confirmed fundraiser(s):

- 04/24-Mellow Mushroom in Farragut (15% of sales, excluding tax and gratuity-must show flyer)
- Have requested a Giveback Night at Panera on North Peters Rd for Saturday, 05/03 (prom?)

- This is an experiment (weekend day and slightly outside of Farragut), but we get back 20% and the fundraiser supposedly runs all day.
 - Electronic or hard copy of flyer must be shown, and we must have minimum sales of \$150.
- In Process Fundraising:
 - Ham 'N Goodys
 - 3/30/25 start and 4/7/25 (Monday at noon) due date
 - 04/07/25 3 pm orders due to Ham 'N Goodys
 - 04/16/25 or 04/17/25 pick up date to be distributed before Good Friday/Easter weekend
 - Cookies are sold by the dozen for \$20 each (flavors are lemon, strawberry, chocolate chip, sugar, snickerdoodle, peanut butter, gluten friendly chocolate chip and gluten friendly lemon).
 - Vouchers available too
 - We keep \$10 from each box sold
 - Students/parents can collect cash or check (made out to Farragut Band Boosters) and collect customer information on hard copy order forms, but push purchase through Givebacks (paying via credit card).
 - No money to keep track of and deciphering of handwriting or missing details!
- Fundraising Plans
 - Would Band Directors consider CAR WASH towards the end of one day of July band camp?
 - Band students can run/help more because they are there anyway.
 - Could try to get sponges/soap donated, so pure profit.
 - Dr. Bartlett has told me a water source will not be an issue and we can do this on school grounds.
 - Yes, would like to proceed with this.
 - Consider asking for donations versus a fee and may do quite well!
 - In the upcoming two months, I will figure out details to roll out a SNAP! RAISE fundraiser.
 - If we raise enough money through the car wash and Snap! Raise, these would replace Nothing Bundt Cakes and Ham 'N Goody's.
 - I would also like to briefly have the floor at the spring concert to make an announcement about another YARD SALE.
 - I want parents to be setting aside items during spring cleaning and to go ahead and get the word out. Can start collecting items late summer.
- Sponsor Program
 - Reached out on Monday 31Mar25 to current sponsors to determine who will be returning - If all respond, we will be at 18 spaces filled out of 20
 - Added in another level / banner size and will be on the south (large) side above current signs. Size is ~1ft x 5ft and limited in number.

- Website has been updated, but working final details and looking not to accept payments until the band FY starts to align budgets.

VP Outreach

- Signup status *(Next to create?)*
 - None at this time
- Buzz / Social Media Notices:
 - Working to issue weekly - topics/notices pulled from Board and Directors
 - Fall Uniform Fittings
 - April 2nd & 3rd 2-6pm
 - Need to address adding a fee for damaged or missing uniforms, and add that to the forms parents sign each year
 - Need to create an education day on proper uniform care for all current and upcoming band members
 - Several uniforms noticed that are damaged; some are missing.
 - Add a fee for damaged or missing uniforms?
 - Band banquet notice again with link to Givebacks

President and VP Operations

- Nominations for outstanding volunteers
 - Marianne Graves
 - Others?
- Band banquet
 - Have created ticket sales on Givebacks \$25 for band students and family 13 and over. \$10 for children 6 to 12 years old.
- Concessions
 - No current activities
 - Looking for one or two other people to volunteer for concessions as a lead or co-leads next fall. Ideally would be 2-3 people to share the responsibility.
 - Awaiting final response from interested volunteer in May
- Positions open:
 - Current Committee Chair Nominations *(Vote not required, but positions need to be filled)*
 - Operations *(Vote not required, but positions need to be filled);*
 - Concessions - Mitchell's (operations) and Hartzog (inventory) to co-chair potentially
 - Pit Crew
- Nominations for vote in General Booster Meeting.
 - President - Patrick K.
 - Operations - Tom N.
 - Assistant Treasurer - Barbara P.
 - Outreach - Naomi B.
 - Recording Secretary - Kristin R. *(Incumbent)*
 - Treasurer - April Y. *(Incumbent)*
 - Fundraising - Kara D. *(Incumbent)*

- To Directors
 - Inquired about outstanding (Fair Share/Fees) noted in emails from directors still requesting payments.
 - Currently \$5,673.00 short in fall fair share fees. (Any changes here from last meeting?)
 - Fair Share for Spring Band is \$100/student
 - This is separate from Fall Band fair share fees.
 - There are 81 students currently in the 2025 Spring Band.
 - Currently \$TBA.00 short in Fall fair share fees
- By-Law items *(agenda item, will keep even if there's nothing to show)*
 - No updates proposed.
- Vote(s) *(agenda item, will keep even if there's nothing to show)*
 - None
- Budget
 - Board met in person at FHS and discussed FY 25-26 budget in place of the standard Board meeting on March 11, 2025.
 - FY 2025-2026 budget vote will still be held at the spring concert and issued under Booster Buzz in April before general vote in May.
 - Two sections have been added to the website in the Booster section to close the discussion around access to the yearly budget.

Booster Budget & SSO Approval by KCS

Missed the yearly Booster Buzz with the Farragut Band Booster fiscal year budget? Reach out to the President or Operations Board member and a copy will be provided to current General Boosters or KCS Administration. If the budget requires an update after approval or a cost is outside the budget the by-laws requires votes at specified levels, so there is a check and balance in place.

SSO Financial Information / SSO Tax Return / SSO Bylaws / SSO Information have been Reviewed and Approved by KCS

Our commitment to openness and transparency:

*-Membership is open to all parents and guardians of students in the Farragut High School band program.
 -All roles in the Band Boosters are filled by volunteers.
 -No officer, chairperson, or volunteer is compensated for their time by any method.
 -100% of all donations received and funds raised go directly to fund band programs and events.
 -Financial reports are provided by the Treasurer at each meeting and all details are available upon request.
 -Our By-laws can be seen [here](#).
 -Booster fiscal year budget - Reach out to the President or Operations Board member and a copy will be provided to current General Boosters or KCS Administration.
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- Next Booster Meetings -
 - Booster General Meeting -
 - **Tue. 06May2024 @ 7:00PM**
 - Out brief at concert
 - Introduce next Booster board
 - Vote on FY25-26 booster budget

- *Activities & Dates: (See Directors' Calendar for most up to date information and other activities)* <https://www.farragutband.com/calendar>
 - 04Apr25 - Jazz Cats to ETSU
 - 10-13Apr25 - All State
 - 05May25 - Jazz Concert@ 7pm
 - 06May25 - Spring Concert@ 7pm
 - 13May25 - Band Banquet @ 5:30-9PM (The Venue at Lenoir City)

Directors' Notes

- General Items: Thank you from Kenny for all we do!

Meeting adjourned by Tom Nielander at 7:02 PM.