



Band Booster General Membership Meeting (September 05, 2023 at 7:15pm)

Attendees: Andrea Byrd, Patrick Kiser, Mary Cook, Tom Nielander, Kenny Carrico, Austin Wilson, Rodney Brown, Scott Childress, Linda Childress, Barbara Veith, Kara Doyle, Kristin Ricciuto, Marie Morrison, Linda Coval, JJ Green, Kristin Ricciuto

Meeting called to order by Tom Nielander at 7:15 p.m.

Secretary

- Minutes from the previous meeting can be found on the Farragut band website.
<https://farragutband.org/meetingminutes>

Treasurer & Assistant Treasurer

- Budget updates & Financial statements
 - Bank Balance \$27,531 (Savings \$20,450 and Checking \$7,081)
 - Mattress sale profit \$3,000
 - Kroger \$480
 - Concessions sales from two games & concert \$10,080
 - Senior banners (pre-ordered) - Collected 27 out of 29 (\$250 outstanding)
 - Booster fees - Collected 86 out of 161 families (\$2,250 outstanding)
 - Please go to band website

VP Fundraising

- Fundraiser Recaps
 - Giveback Nights (Past and Future)
 - Blaze Pizza \$191 and Panda Express \$146
 - Chipotle W 09/13/23 - Flyer going out via email tomorrow to board, FB, and to Barbara for Buzz
 - Potential date for Dickey's BBQ Pit 10/23 awaiting confirmation
- Next fundraiser (Upcoming)
 - Fruit Blitz set for Saturday 11/11/2023
- Sponsor program update / roll out
 - Need sponsor for vinyl signs - contacted the following:
 - Great American Sign Co., Signs-N-Such LLC, Hard Knox Wrap Shop awaiting responses from owners.

- We would be able to display on the band shed and next year on the baseball training building above where we sell concessions (backdrop).
 - These would be displayed year round.
- Question raised regarding when prizes will be given out from fundraiser; at holiday performance perhaps?

VP Outreach

- I (Barbara Pyle) am not able to attend this meeting, but I want to personally say thank you to all the volunteers! You are amazing band parents! Signup status - all live except a few under construction. (Keep checking the band site weekly.)
 - We are deleting old ones to avoid confusion from the band site.
- Watch for Booster Buzz emails, Facebook and Instagram posts.

President and VP Operations

- **So thankful to all our volunteers!!!! Very busy few weeks!**
- Continued opportunities to participate - Go to [farragutband.com/volunteer opportunities](http://farragutband.com/volunteer_opportunities)
- Chaperone (B Pyle and A King have taken lead) - Home Games, Away Games, Competitions, & Expo.
- Friday Night Dinners -thanks Jen Dedman! 3 more home games + playoffs.
 - Serve and/or donate through volunteer opportunities
- Concessions
 - As noted in the treasurer's report, we have had a successful first month to the season!
 - The Concession leads have been working to optimize volunteer slots to accommodate the availability of more booster members. This results in a blend of shorter and longer shifts to maintain continuity for key positions while allowing for boosters with limited availability but a willingness and desire to help.
 - There have been changes in timing from week to week in an effort to accommodate feedback received from boosters.
 - 4 more home games + playoffs
 - There are open volunteer shifts for the following games (working expo shifts, will be open soon)
 - Friday, September 8. Lots of slots open, especially 8:00 on. Band kids could help with later shifts!
 - Friday, September 29 Eighth Grade Night (more kids and parents)
 - Friday, October 6
 - When questioned, Carrico said that band kids could help at concessions during third and fourth quarter this week (08Sep23) since he's releasing the band after halftime.
 - We are VERY thankful for our Concessions Chairs! . . . thank you!!
 - Marie Morrison, Marianne Graves, Barbara Veith, Marshanda Pinchuck

- Knox County Exhibition
 - Monday, October 30
 - Late morning into late evening.
 - Working to establish volunteer work shifts for concessions
 - Volunteer spots are open for: parking, traffic control and two types of chaperones (Posted on farragutband.com/volunteer opportunities).
- Status of props
 - Most all parts in hand, awaiting delivery of vinyl. **SUPPLY CHAIN ISSUES!** (awaiting delivery, fingers crossed vinyl arrives tomorrow)
 - Ben Green has been VERY helpful-donated time and materials.
- Pit Crew
 - Shirts ordered, awaiting arrival of just a few more shirts.
- Board / Chair positions opening next year:
 - Board
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary
 - Fundraising (need to identify before fruit sale to allow cross training)
 - Chair
 - Friday night dinners
- If you know of anyone interested in these positions, please reach out to **Tom Nielander** or any of the Board members for more information.
- If missed from Parent Square please note the following: (Band Boosters are invited)
 - KCS mandated transition from traditional “Booster Clubs” to be held 13Sep23 @ 7PM in FHS Auditorium (*Meeting announced via parent square on 28Aug23 by Dr. Bartlett and Athletic Director Donald Dodgen*)
 - HIGH PARTICIPATION PLEASE- This impacts our Booster organization, which in turn impacts what we can do for our kids. We need to understand it and get our questions answered, clarify the changes, etc.
- Next Booster Meetings
 - Booster Board - **03Oct23 @ 7PM**
 - Booster Board & General - **14Nov23 @ 6:30PM & 7:15PM**
 - Booster Board - **14Dec2023** (*during Fall concert - report out*)

Director's Notes

- Friday-Homecoming. After school rehearsal for pregame required. No National Anthem (Choir performing). Will stay in stands through most of halftime/homecoming court. Will play stand tunes for remainder of halftime. Will let everyone go after halftime.
 - Kids need to go home, get picked up or hang out with parents at game. Cannot stay in band room.
- Next Saturday-Competitive Band Camp 8-5. Everyone needs to be there. Need to finish show; we are a little behind.
- Then two competitions-busy time!
- 9/21 away game Bearden. Goal is taking whole band. No halftime show but want big showing.

Meeting adjourned by Tom Nielander at 7:47 p.m.