



FHS Band Booster Meeting Agenda, September 12, 7 p.m.

Attendees: Mary Cook, Andrea King, Christy Tucker, Tom Nielander, Jen Dedman, Rodney Brown, Kenny Carrico, Brian Fox

Meeting called to order by Tom Nielander at 7:05 p.m.

VP of Operations

- Buses reserved for Murfreesboro-company that had agreed to date/price has canceled.
- Rodney waiting to hear back from Premiere, sounds like they backed out though. Knox Tours has called.
- We need to figure out where we are at with this to determine whether BOD needs to help.
- Getting closer on props. Because they are wonderful sails, the weight we had in place is insufficient. Tom has created another 4 weights. The props have lift. Hoping to use some of the props on Friday night and Saturday during camp.

Treasurer & Assistant Treasurer

- Filed tax and paid accountant. Mary had to make some changes to end last fiscal year. Several errors. Didn't depreciate trailer. Scott and Abby made mistakes. Doesn't affect cash balance, it's more of a reporting issue.
- Got \$44 from Amazon Smile.
- \$2800 almost in concessions last game. Expenses pretty high but because took advantage of tax free weekend to stock up on frozen and non perishable.
- She recorded depreciation on both old and new trailer.

VP of Fundraising

- Didn't publicize last fundraiser (Petros)-didn't advertise very well. Wants to coordinate better. Petros employees seemed confused about fundraiser.
- 9/26 or 9/27 or 10/3 possible. 9/27 college fair at Bearden, so avoid that one. Kara will double check the other two dates to make sure no conflicts at FHS.
- 11/5 showcase for family and friends-is that still happening? Trying to figure out. Carrico says not happening because of the Expo on 11/1. Andrea trying to figure out so can nail

down fruit date.

- 11/12 will be fruit date!
- Andrea did get promotional info from Food City. Indian River and Food City under consideration-Andrea figuring out which is best match. Indian River more expensive, but Andrea thinks tastes better. Online sales more of a possibility. Food City being local enables correcting issues more easily, but ordering online might not be possible.
- Tom wants to know which gives bigger cut to us, could be the determining factor.
- Might be better to pay more for better quality because people expect good product.
- Christy points out that Ingles has donated to her son's boy scout group in the past.

VP of Outreach

- Jen-sent Booster Buzz. Will send another once we have next restaurant date. For this Friday, 35 pizzas donated from Marcos, Pizza Kitchen, Pizza Hut, Little Joes, Mellow Mushroom.
- Still needs drinks donated.
- Sign ups not going well, especially for concessions.
- Jen needs help picking up pizzas-will send Andrea, Mary and I our locations.
- Volunteer issue: Tom is worried about parent response. Need to show Rodney. Would be better for Directors to send out. Needs to be from a parent. Lots helping out, but not enough. Make it from me directly.
- Mary points out that parents require lots of reminders. Parents also wait until last minute.
- Kara told them she is reaching out to other coaches regarding their boosters and set up (fundraising vs paying fee) as food for thought in future years.
- Rodney said at West-early in year would provide pamphlet laying out expectations for parents. Parents expected to volunteer for 3 events. Helped some, but was not perfect. Also, it was helpful if Directors sent out weekly email asking for help.
- Mary says it is helpful for parents to know how much Boosters help with variety of items.
- Also helpful to do big push for volunteers and sign ups and be in their face person to person contact, because it is harder to say no.
- 80 out of 120 8th graders coming to 8th grade night. Hardin Valley game (last home game before Fall Break). 8th grade parents need to be looped in to sign up for chaperones and food. Jen will do sign ups this week for 8th grade parents.

President

- Asked about buses. Rodney waiting on one final quote. Original bus \$3500 and now price would be \$6000.
- Tom wants to put something on FB showing how much our sponsors help us ask even less from the parents.
- Buckets for props purchased from firehouse. Great savings, helping a charity, smells like pickles.

Directors' Notes

- Cleveland bringing 105 kids as pep band, not performing halftime. 2-3 buses. 15

parents. South Doyle only bringing 1 bus next week (roughly 55-60, kids and parents). HV bringing 100 total (2 buses).

- Great rehearsal today. Sound guy came and added wireless mics. Coming back in 2 weeks to finalize. One of microphone cords no longer working. No sound. Would like Tom to troubleshoot with them.
- Leadership team had the idea to extend practices or add days after bad rehearsal last week. Not Carrico's idea and not happening.
- Kenny hoping Karns will come out with schedule/itinerary later this week. Hoping for an earlier performance time. Parents will have to pick them up if they want to leave early. Only parents can take them home, but can leave as soon as they have performed. May just load buses up and head home after performance. Carrico will keep us in the loop.

Meeting adjourned 8:00.