



Band Booster Board Meeting (September 5, 2024 at 6:30 PM)

Attendees: Tom Nielander, Barbara Pyle, Jaydon Headrick, Jeanne Ann Hartzog, Kara Doyle, Kenny Carrico, Kristin Ricciuto, Lee Thomasson, Patrick Kiser, Robin Herrington, Rodney Brown.

Meeting called to order by Tom Nielander at 6:32 pm.

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. They are to be uploaded by at least one month plus one week after the recorded meeting.

Treasurer & Assistant Treasurers

- Budget updates & Financial statements as of August 31, 2024:
 - School account booster funds \$0.00
 - School director account Coupon book \$0.00
 - Bank Balance = 29,296.66 (Checking: \$8,867.25 & Savings: \$20,429.41)
- Working 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:
 - McAlister's Deli 13Aug24 - \$215.00
- Upcoming confirmed fundraiser(s):
 - KCS Coupon Book Sales (9/12-10/1)
 - Coupon books are \$20 apiece (for hard copy and digital coupons through app); the Band will keep 75% (\$15) for each coupon book sold.
 - I have asked for 300 (\$4,500); we will be able to return all unsold books without penalty. We may also request additional books if we sell more than expected.

- Money made on this fundraiser will go directly to the band instead of through Boosters, but Kenny and Rodney have agreed to earmark any proceeds earned for items the Boosters would have otherwise paid for or to which we would have contributed funds.
 - I would propose a \$50 gift card (winner's choice) for the band member who sells the most coupon books, and a \$25 gift card (winner's choice) for 2nd most sold.
 - Upcoming "Dine to Donate" events:
 - 9/10 Blaze (25%) - SSO approval issued on 04Sep24
 - 9/17 Chipotle (25%) - SSO approval issued on 04Sep24
 - 10/24 Mellow Mushroom (15%)
 - 11/12 Texas Roadhouse (10%)
 - Blaze Pizza Spinning Wheel 9/27 (Bearden Game)
 - One dollar for a chance to win a prize (examples include a free drink or small personal pizza). Limit of one chance per person. Blaze will supply a worker who will set up near our concession stand.
 - There is a possibility Blaze might be able to do the 25Oct24 game also. We will know closer to date.
 - 865LIFE sales at football game (10-15% of total sales (not profits)).
 - Confirmed during 8th grade night?
 - Confirmed as of today, we are set for 25Oct24 vs. the 8th Gr. night
 - Fruit Blitz date 02Nov24
- In Process Fundraising:
 - Honey Baked Ham (October)
 - Nothing Bundt Cakes (February)
 - Ham N Goodies (end March/beginning of April)
- Other Fundraising Opportunities: *(Keep unless not moving forward.)*
 - SnapRaise (very profitable for HVA) and a coupon card (suggested by Kenny Carrico) are ideas for future years but we will not attempt this year given all else planned and lead time needed.
- Sponsor program
 - Only two more full size banner spots left as two others are in review
 - May consider opening next size spots based on request by a local business (smaller banner would go above the long side above the existing banners - when laying out, this was planned into setting up for future growth)

VP Outreach

- Signup status *(Next to create?)*
 - Friday Night Snacks - Three published, 31Oct24 awaiting Tom/Patrick response
 - One Day Band Camp, Sat. 14Sep24 - Need to create
 - KCS Expo - Tom/Patrick review for release
 - Fruit Blitz Day - Kara to review for release

- Buzz / Social Media Notices:
 - Working to issue weekly - send topics / notices before Sat each week
 - Please keep a running "Save the Date" for KCS Expo (both dates) and Fruit Blitz date on the buzz and on Facebook
- Misc topic(s):
 - Resurrecting from past discussions - Connection with National Honor Society students for signup - reminded by another booster today
 - Should we add as a Buzz topic for booster parents that have other students not in band to help with concessions and expo (after school is out)?

President and VP Operations

- Friday Night Snacks
 - Near all food needs are filled for 06Sep except fruit, but have 6 of 10 so good as typically have main items covered, but would be good to have more sign up
 - Not filling the donations or volunteering to setup/handout/clean up at this event directly affects the students and could stop this event
 - Discussion on requesting monetary donation vs. product for Friday Night
 - Logistics of Venmo vs. Givebacks as a way for parents to contribute \$ vs. food items - would need \$ early enough and volunteers to pick food up.
 - Discuss 31Oct24 snack/small meal by the Board (total budget for this meal and comp meal is \$2,200).
 - Take-Out Thyme: ~\$400 for mac and cheese and bowtie pasta with butter; includes 10% discount and free delivery. Gluten-free option?
 - Locked in for the spring banquet as well.
- Concessions
 - Held a work day on Saturday, August 24 - cleaned and painted deteriorated roof supports in the trailer; cleaned serving/prep tables and inside of trailer, set up baseball building for the fall and completed initial inventory.
 - Thoughts on how to get volunteers??
 - Currently short about 13 slots for the first game. Reach out to friends, especially freshmen parents.
- Props
 - Assembled the majority of the props on 24Aug24. Planning to complete the final assembly before the band camp scheduled on Saturday, 14Sept 24.
- Pit Crew
 - 20 people have signed up to participate and support the games, competitions, and other events across the marching season.
 - Names and contact information have been submitted for background checks.
 - Pit Crew shirts have been ordered and picked up.
- Positions that remain open:
 - Current Committee Chair Nominations *(Vote not required, but positions need to be filled)*
 - Fundraising
 - Sponsorship Program Chair

- Operations (*Vote not required, but positions need to be filled*); need to provide basic descriptions and contact info to these. Can promote on Parent Square.
 - Concessions Lead
 - Uniforms
 - Knox County Expo chair
 - Pit Crew
- To Directors
 - Please add to your reminders as a running save the dates for KCS Expo (both dates) and Fruit Blitz dates
 - Are the Givebacks nights posted on the calendar?
- 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
- Next Booster Meetings -
 - Booster Board Meeting -
 - **Wed. 2Oct2024 @ 7:00PM**
 - Booster Board Meeting -
 - **Wed. 6Nov2024 @ 7:00PM**
 - Booster General Meeting -
 - **Mon. 16Dec2024 @ 7:00PM**
 - **Out brief at concert (16Dec2024)**
- *Activities & Dates: (See Directors Calendar for most up to date information and other activities)* <https://www.farragutband.com/calendar>
 - 06Sep24 - **Home** game (West)
 - 10Sep24 - Blaze Pizza Givebacks Night
 - 13Sep24 - Away game (Cleveland)
 - 14Sep24 - **Band Camp (8-5pm)**
 - 17Sep24 - Chipotle Givebacks Night
 - 21Sep24 - Competition (Clinton)
 - 27Sep24 - **Home** game (Bearden)(8th Grade Night)
 - 28Sep24 - Competition (Karns)
 - 04Oct24 - Away game (Bradley Central HS)
 - 18Oct24 - Away game (Jefferson Co. HS)
 - 19Oct24 - Competition (Western Carolina)(performance early afternoon)
 - 22Oct24 - Knox Co. Exhibition (Location FHS)
 - 24Oct24 - Mellow Mushroom Givebacks Night
 - 25Oct24 - **Home** game (HVA)(Homecoming)
 - 26Oct24 - Competition (Seymour)
 - **28Oct24 - Weather Date if 22Oct24 canceled for Knox Co. Expo (Location FHS)**

- 31Oct24 - **Home** game (Maryville)(Sr. Night)
- 02Nov24 - Fruit Blitz (Requires Parent Drivers)
- 12Nov24 - Texas Roadhouse Givebacks Night
- 07-09Feb25 - All East
- 04Mar25 - CPA/Winter Concert
- 10-13Apr25 - All State
- 05May25 - Jazz Concert
- 06May25 - Spring Concert
- 13May25 - Band Banquet

Director's Notes

- Next Saturday is competition practice day; would like a couple of volunteers.
- Clinton and Karns competitions coming up!
- Will hopefully complete the show by next Saturday and integrate props.
- Work on 75th anniversary plans are ongoing.

Meeting adjourned by Tom Nielander at 7:09 p.m.