



Band Booster General Meeting (September 5, 2024 at 7:15 PM)

Attendees: Tom Nielander, Patrick Kiser, Kenny Carrico, Barbara Pyle, Lee Thomasson, Kristin Ricciuto, Jaydon Headrick, Jeanne Ann Hartzog, Kara Doyle, Ben and JJ Green, Robin Herrington, Beth Kurtz, Ana Durall.

Meeting called to order by Tom Nielander, at 7:18 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
 - Bank Balance = \$29,296.66

VP Fundraising

- Fundraiser Recaps year to date:
 - Giveback Nights:
 - Salsaritas - \$209.05
 - Blaze Pizza - \$196.00
 - McAlister's Deli - \$215.00
 - Yard Sale - \$ 6,345.82
- 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; we will be able to return all unsold books without penalty. This works out to about 2 per student.
 - 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.
 - Incentives for top sellers!

- Upcoming “Dine to Donate” events:
 - 9/10 Blaze (25%)
 - 9/17 Chipotle (25%)
 - 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 prize (examples include a free drink or small personal pizza). Limit of one chance per person. Blaze will supply worker who will set up near our concession stand.
 - There is a possibility Blaze might be able to do 10/25 game also. We will know closer to date.
- 865LIFE sales (TN apparel, pet gear) at football game 10/25 (10-15% of total sales (not profits)).
- Fruit Blitz date 02Nov24 (Saturday and requires parent drivers) - huge fundraiser for us!
- In Process Fundraising:
 - Honey Baked Ham (October)
 - Nothing Bundt Cakes (February)
 - Ham N Goodies (end March/beginning of April)
- Other Fundraising Opportunities:
 - 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

- Signups ready for volunteers:
 - Concessions - All home games
 - First game only have 5 of 10 spots filled
 - Friday Night Snacks - Three published, 31Oct24 soon
 - Chaperone - All home games, away games and competitions
 - Uniforms fittings
- Upcoming Signups:
 - One Day Band Camp, Sat. 14Sep24
 - KCS Expo, 22Oct24 (Rain day 28Oct24)
 - Fruit Blitz Day, 02Nov24
- Buzz/Social Media Notices:
 - Working to issue weekly

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,j
 - Not filling the donations or volunteering to setup/handout/clean up at this event directly affects the students and could stop this event
- Concessions
 - Need volunteers across the board
 - If there are no volunteers for fryers, they are not turned on and that is a large loss in profit for the boosters to pay for items for the students
 - 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.
- 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 from General Boosters:
 - None
- 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)*
 - Held required annual vote per TN, use of debit cards, credit cards, PayPal type accounts, personal apps, wire transfers, ACH transactions, crowd-funding accounts, etc. in previous meetings and vote was passed for use.

- Budget Discussion
 - No changes offered under Board meetings.

- 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

- Senior banners by Jeremy Wiggs are in and they look fabulous! Please thank Mr. Wiggs (on Facebook, etc.) for his hard work. 5 banners were ordered by him so all seniors could be represented (before receiving payment for those).
- All are on the calendar:
 - First home game tomorrow - show day! Pre-game, stand tunes.
 - 4 weeks until fall break
 - 14 September Competitive band camp 8-5
 - Regular rehearsals during the week, next week is an away game.
 - 2 weeks away until our first competition - Clinton HS
 - 3 directors will take students to Bradley Central (away game)
 - FYI, there is an away game during fall break (at Oak Ridge), but we are not attending.
- Thank you to parents and booster board - we appreciate you!

Meeting adjourned by Tom Nielander at 7:39 p.m.