



Band Board Booster Meeting Agenda (February 28, 2023 at 7:00pm)

Attendees: Brian Fox, Tom Nielander, Andrea King, Jennifer Dedman, Kenneth Carrico

Meeting called to order by Brian Fox at 7:05.

Secretary

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

Treasurer & Assistant Treasurer

- Amber Alexander has agreed to be the Assistant Treasurer for 2023-2024 and be Treasurer the following two years.
- Brian talked to Amber for 10-15 minutes last night. She will jump in and help. Has some financial background, as does her husband. We are now good in all positions with nominees.

VP Fundraising

- On Friday, will be in second and fourth block to distribute order forms and go over basics. She will see if Jen can send out Booster Buzz (regarding Ham & Goody fundraiser)
- Will put it in Farragut Happenings next week once kids have forms and basics discussed.
- Order forms due 3/31. She will turn in orders 4/3. 4/13 (Thursday) will be delivery, and pick up can be either that Thursday or Friday.
- Andrea still waiting to hear back from Derek regarding date change for mattress fundraiser.
- Brian said Zaxby's wants to do another give back night. Brian said we definitely wanted to do during Band Camp.
- Brian recommends doing 3-4 giveback nights during Band Camp.
- Maybe we could try Panda Express. Family meal highly rated and Xaxby Big Meals. Might be worth plugging one in during last couple of weeks of school, just as a break from cooking and studying. Andrea says really easy to set up.
- Booster fee? Designated night for volunteering? Do we create a write up for next year (per Tom)? Per kid fee potentially for meals during competitions, among other things. Brian said \$35 fee collected for Booster in past.

- We may require written commitment regarding volunteering and paying nominal fee. Will collect before Band Camp and can be general about application. Will be per household. Optics would look bad if board members were not held to same standard.
- Brian recommends having all Sign Up Geniuses in place beginning of July. Jen will still run Sign Up Genius for Friday dinners.
- Might want to designate lead parent for section/instrument group to GroupMe for start. Other volunteers will fill in holes but sections can take lead.
- We need to walk parents through Sign Up Genius process the night of parent performance/BBQ. Use the Friday to get commitments from volunteers.
- Christy suggests reaching out to parents from baseball/football to see how they handle when volunteers do not step up.
- Jen says we will really have to think through how to execute everything that night (serving food, signing up). We should utilize band leadership to help, as we were spready way too thin last year. We should tap into some of our committed volunteers to help.
- We should start figuring out in Spring who lead parents can be for instrument sections. Andrea says can take melliphone. Jen will be flute mom, Steve could be tuba dad.

VP Outreach

- Brian asked Jen to talk to Barbara Pyle about Outreach in next month. Barbara will also be taking over chaperones and uniforms. Brian says she has 7 more years with band.
- Brian and Tom are going to try to find help for Marie with incoming freshmen parents during registration. Might try to even find two helpers.

President and VP Operations

- Discuss fee value and what will be used for-see above.
- Banquet pricing (for 300 people, the Venue is \$10 and food is \$15). Same menu. \$25 per ticket. Our budget allows us to help with banquet. We have \$2500 in our budget that we expense to help with banquet. Plus we have \$1500 budgeted for Senior gifts. We need to take Paypal percentages into account (we didn't last year and that cost us).
- Need to push out info on banquet sooner rather than later, and don't combine with other news where it gets lost in the shuffle.
- Senior gift/awards-had graduation year/wooden gift. Repeating good.
- Board Nominees - see above.
- Zaxby's - They're asking to do a giveback night (see above).

Director's Notes

- Concert went great, kids played really well. Rest of week-leadership happening Friday, and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday next week new student and leadership orientation. There will also be band registration. Lots of interest in being there.
- Itinerary good to go for concert assessment next week. CPA free and open to anyone who wants to go, including parents.
- Next Friday-drum major auditions. Last big thing before Spring Break.

- Newsletter great and Brian will add to website. Kenny did to put more info out there, especially because emails get lost in shuffle. Kenny will update every few weeks based on needs.
- Band directors are finalizing budget for next year and planning to send to Dr. Bartlett and bookkeeper on Thursday for approval and any questions.
- Brian asked if there is anything Booster needs to do additionally or differently to better support going forward. Kenny said something to do with professional development/midwest (?) (something they have sidebar discussed), but more to come on that. Continuous training? Also a sidebar discussion.

Meeting adjourned by Brian Fox at 8:04 pm.