



Band Booster Board Meeting (July 1, 2025 at 6:30 PM)

Attendees: Andrew Smith, Rodney Brown, Tom Nielander, Patrick Kiser, Jeanne Ann Hartzog, Kristin Ricciuto, Kara Doyle, Barbara Pyle, April Young, Jeannette Wilson

Meeting called to order by Patrick Kiser at 6:34 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 no later than one month plus one week after the recorded meeting.

Treasurer & Assistant Treasurers

- Budget updates & Financial statements as of July 1, 2025:
 - No changes to approved 25-26 budget line items
 - School account booster funds = \$0.00
 - School director account Coupon book = \$0.00
 - Bank Balance = Checking: \$26,346.99 & Savings: \$23,214.81
- Working on annual compliance submissions
 - SSO Financial Information
 - SSO Tax Return
 - SSO Bylaws
 - SSO Information

VP Fundraising

- Fundraiser Recaps:
 - Giveback Nights:
 - 04/24 - Mellow Mushroom \$186.27
 - 05/03 - Panera \$107.95 (check mailed 6/30)
 - Ham 'N Goodys
 - \$671.55

Upcoming confirmed fundraiser(s):

- Car Wash 09Aug25: 8 am - 12 pm - mainly student-run with some parent supervision.
 - 3 groups of kids is ideal
- Yard Sale 09Aug25: 8 am - 12 pm
 - First Facebook post has been made (07/01/25); I would like the same information sent to whatever email distribution list we have, via Booster Buzz and will be having a student post on Instagram.
 - Need to find out if any changes have been made to the modes of communication.
 - Would appreciate assistance identifying points of contact for the following neighborhoods for purposes of posting yard sale information/donation requests on FB pages (as permitted, if applicable)-
 - Fox Den, Fox Run, Sedgfield, Sheffield, Saddle Ridge, Brixworth, Brass Lantern, The Grove, McFee Manor/Pryse Farms, Village Green, Farragut Crossing, Kings Gate, Sugarwood, Stonecrest, Rockwell Farms, Inverness, Copperstone, Mallard Bay, Montgomery Cove, Bridgemore, Falcon Pointe, Woodchase, Woodland Trace, Tanglewood/Hanley Hall, SweetBriar, Andover Place
 - Would also really appreciate as many board members help on Friday and/or Saturday (August 8th and 9th). Was a massive endeavor last year, and this year could be even bigger. Especially with car wash also.
- Car Wash 09Aug25
 - Please take a look at the Sign Up Genius once it goes up, as I have guessed on what we may need. Could tweak if needed.
 - Envisioning three separate areas going on at one time, but will be assessing water supply/capabilities once I'm back at work (07/14).
- Upcoming Dine to Donate:
 - SuperChix on Monday, 7/14
 - Salsarita's on Thursday, 7/24
- Potential Fundraising Plans
 - Snap Raise
 - Online platform using emails, text messaging and social media.
 - Fundraising program gets 85% and 10% from sales through online store sale.
 - Each band student asked to provide 20 emails and 20 phone numbers of family members, friends, anyone who might be willing to support the program.
 - Campaign runs 28 days, Snap Raise does the work (driving traffic, marketing).
 - Never had a data leak, will not share or sell anyone's personal information.

- Nearby bands have made substantial profit: Dobyns-Bennett, Karns, HVA, Halls, Farragut JROTC.
 - Questions/Concerns-how many messages are sent that will possibly irritate our friends and family? Best Timing?
 - Consider not doing it every year?
 - Givebacks - allows you to keep 100%
 - Less aggressive than Snap Raise?
 - You run the fundraiser yourself. Fewer repeated emails.
 - Patrick and Kara to discuss and make a recommendation to the board.
- Sponsor Program
 - We are are 13 of 20 spaces of full size banners
 - None at new size yet ~1ft x 5ft

VP Outreach

- Signup status *(Next to create?)*
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- Buzz / Social Media Notices:
 - Working to issue weekly - topics/notices pulled from Board and Directors
 - Uniform Status and Fittings
- Bacon & Co - working to get store set up prior to band camp with the intent to deliver purchased merchandise by the first competition (9/20/25).

President and VP Operations

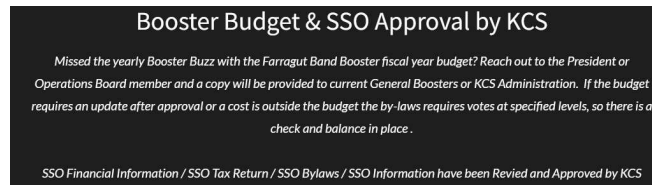
- Parent Cookout
 - Will create ticket sales on Givebacks this weekend
 - \$0 for band students
 - \$6 for 12 & older
 - \$0 for 11 & younger
 - Working to finalize menu - Pulled pork or burgers/hot dogs
- Concessions
 - No current activities
 - Concessions work session planned for Saturday morning, July 19, 2025.
 - Looking for one or two other people to volunteer for concessions as a lead or co-leads next fall. Ideally would be 2-3 people to share the responsibility.
 - Awaiting final response from interested volunteer
- Pit Crew
 - Working on design of the props
 - Work session to clean and organize the band shed planned for Saturday morning, July 19, 2025.
- Support Trucks
 - Truck reservations for marching season have been finalized with Penske

Event	Date	Day of Week	Qty Days	Qty Trucks	Truck Size
Home Game - Sevier Co.*	8/23/25	Saturday	1	1	26 with lift gate
Away Game - Upperman HS	9/4/25	Thursday	1	1	26 with lift gate
Away Game - Maryville HS	9/19/25	Friday	1	1	26 with lift gate
Competition - Clinton HS	9/20/25	Saturday	1	2	26 with lift gate
Away Game - Bearden HS	9/26/25	Friday	1	1	26 with lift gate
Competition - Karns HS	9/27/25	Saturday	1	2	26 with lift gate
Away Game - Cookeville HS	10/17/25	Friday	1	1	26 with lift gate
Competition - TBD	10/18/25	Saturday	1	2	26 with lift gate
Competition - MTSU	10/25/25	Saturday	1	2	26 with lift gate
Away Game - Cleveland HS	10/30/25	Thursday	1	1	26 with lift gate
All East	Feb 2026	Fri - Sun	3	1	16 w/ lift gate if possible

*"Home" game at Carson Newman vs. Sevier County HS

- Founders Park Lawn Chair Series
 - Unsure if they are doing it with ongoing construction at the park; Tom will reach out.
- Positions open:
 - Current Committee Chair Nominations *(Vote not required, but positions need to be filled)*
 - Operations *(Vote not required, but positions need to be filled)*;
 - Concessions - Mitchell's (operations) and Hartzog (inventory) to co-chair potentially
 - Pit Crew lead
- To Directors
 - Contact list missing parents - how is this getting addressed?
 - Outstanding (Fair Share/Fees)
 - To date, approximately 90 people paid band fees in full as of June. 145 enrolled total. 7 people still awaiting confirmation of band participation.
- 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
- Budget
 - FY 2025-2026 budget vote was held at the spring concert and approved

- For more budget information, see the two sections on the website in the Booster section around access to the yearly budget.



- Next Booster Meetings -
 - Booster Board Meetings -
 - Tue. 12 Aug2025 @ 7:00PM
 - Tue. 09 Sep2025 @ 6:30PM
 - Tue. 14 Oct2025 @ 7:00PM
 - Tue. 18 Nov2025 @ 7:00PM
 - Booster General Meeting -
 - Tue. 09 Sept 2025 @ 7:15PM
 - Tue. 16Dec2025 @ concert, will out brief and conduct any votes (not Dec 11-13: musical). Possibly Dec 16 or 18 (last day before break)?
- Activities & Dates: (See Directors' Calendar for most up to date information and other activities) <https://www.farragutband.com/calendar>
 - 14-25Jul25 - Band Camp
 - Giveback nights?
 - 25Jul25 - Parent Preview and Meal by Boosters
 - 09Aug25 - Yard Sale & Car Wash (Saturday)
 - 15Aug25 - Knox Jamboree @ FHS (tba on final time start)
 - 23Aug25 - Home/Away game on a Saturday (Sevier County)(Burke-Tar Stadium)
 - 29Aug25 - **Home** game (Powell)
 - 04Sep25 - Away game (Upperman)
 - 12Sep25 - **Home** game (Bradley Central)(8th Grade Night)
 - 13Sep25 - Band Camp (8-4pm)
 - 19Sep25 - Away game (Maryville)
 - 20Sep25 - Competition (Clinton)
 - 26Sep25 - Away game (Bearden)
 - 27Sep25 - Competition (Karns)
 - 03Oct25 - **Home** game (HVA)
 - 06-10Oct25 - Fall Break

- 17Oct25 - Away game (Cookville)
- 18Oct25 - Competition (TBD)
- 21Oct25 - Knox Co. Exhibition (Location FHS)
- 23Oct25 - **Home** game - Senior Night and Homecoming (Oak Ridge)
- 25Oct25 - Competition (MTSU)
- Oct25 - Away game (Cookville)
- 28Oct25 - Weather Date if 21Oct25 canceled for Knox Co. Expo (Location FHS)
- 30Oct25 - Away Game (Cleveland)
- 08Nov25 - Fruit Blitz (Requires Parent Drivers)
- 11 Nov - Knoxville Veterans Day Parade (TBD)
- 07Dec25 - Farragut Christmas Parade (TBD)
- ##Feb26 - All East
- ##Mar26 - CPA/Winter Concert
- ##Apr26 - All State
- #Apr26 - Jazz Cats Concert@ 7pm
- ##May26 - Spring Concert@ 7pm
- ##May26 - Band Banquet @ 5:30-9PM (The Venue at Lenoir City)

Directors' Notes

- General Items:
- Parent Square emails - contacted Dr. Bartlett about access. Mr. Smith would prefer this to be his #1 mode of parent communication.
 - For existing emails, using what was entered at registration. Not sure why some were left off?
- Medical Release forms - yes, should be notarized. Farragut Town Hall will do it at no cost, same for TVA Federal Credit Union and ORNL employees. Banks.
 - Do we possibly know any parents who are notaries who can volunteer to sign these forms on the first day of camp? Check on Facebook?

Meeting adjourned by Patrick Kiser at 7:40 PM.