

Band Boosters Meeting Minutes Nov 9, 2021

I. The President (Amanda Reed) called the meeting to order at approximately 7:05 pm.

II. The minutes were approved from the last meeting.

III. Officer and Committee Reports

A. Amanda welcomed all of the parents, introduced the executive board, and thanked everyone for all of their help this fall. She asked parents to think about what role they might like to take on next year.

B. Vice President report: nothing to report

C. Past President report: nothing to report

D. Treasurer/Asst Treasurer report: The Treasurer (Christine Foulke) could not attend so there was no treasurer's report this month.

E. Communications Manager: nothing to report

F. Travel Manager: The Travel Manager (Brian Scheltz) could not attend; there was no report from him this month.

G. Uniforms: Mickey Merritt reported the pricing for new uniform purchases. There is a discount if we order 11 (11 would cost \$6400) and then another discount if we order 26. We will plan to order 26. We need to get some very small and very large uniforms as well as some 42R sizes. We also need large gloves, hat boxes, squad leader cords, and belt buckles.

H. Fundraising/Community Development report: Becky McClung reported that 99 Pledges brought in a net of \$10,900. We did miss the window for holiday flowers. Restaurant fundraisers have brought in ~\$200 each in the past; there was some discussion about if we should do these moving forward. It was also suggested that next fall maybe some of the restaurants would sponsor spreads and donate some food.

I. Senior Night: Suzanne Smith was thanked for her hard work for senior night. She has agreed to work on this again next year.

J. Photography: Nancy Stevens suggested that next year there be a Google Drive or some other method to allow families to see the pictures that are taken. Nancy was also thanked for the amazing slide show from the indoor concert.

IV. Old Business

Becky reported that we are waiting for measurements for the trailer purchase and we need to finalize the plans for the advertising needed for the sponsors. Mr. Fessler suggested putting ads for the relevant organizations in the programs next year.

Mr. Fessler proposed for fees for school instruments that families pay ~\$50, but that it should be optional. He also would prefer not to have the Boosters handle the money, so that anonymity can be maintained. He suggested using EZ Pay for the payments. There was some discussion about the pros and cons of EZ Pay.

Mr. Fessler provided an update on the acoustic work for the band room. The cabinets will be replaced. More shelves will be put into the K row closet. All reflective walls will have an absorber or a diffuser panel put in.

V. New Business

There was a discussion about getting hand warmers for Friday's game. Amanda is going to look into it and the executive board will make the final decision.

VI. Directors' Report

Mr. Fessler says it has been an awesome season. He appreciates the parent involvement. The indoor concert was great. He would like to have a senior event at the barn like last year, in the spring. A group of kids went to the Mid-Ohio Food Bank. Concert/symphonic band auditions are next week. The Boosters need to pay the clinicians who are assessing the auditions. Mr. Fessler is getting samples of the summer uniforms, and we will plan to discuss this in January. The date for the winter band concert will need to change. Finally, the band directors reported their decision that the marching band not play in the playoff games after Nov 12, with the exception of the state finals should UA make it to that game. Many kids have commitments that are conflicting with the games, and the band directors want to get concert/symphonic and jazz bands going.

VII. A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:10.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Petronella, Communications Manager

Attendance:

Jane Brown
Katie Petronella
Todd Fessler
Wanda Berk
Becky McClung
Amanda Reed
Noelle Fox
Mickey Merritt
Scott McWilliams
Phebe Barrett
Suzanne Smith
Heather Dowler
Nancy Stevens