

## **Waxahachie Band Boosters**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, August 2, 2021**

**7:00 PM - WHS Cafeteria Face-to-Face Meeting**

**Call to Order by Amy Hollingsworth.**

**Current Business: (Amy)**

#### **Luau:**

119 Vintage Drive (second part of Spring Creek). Info and details are on on Weekly Sheet. Students need to bring towels and portable lounge/camp chair. Encouraged to carpool due to no sidewalk. Please see map on the Weekly Sheet. Will use a golf cart to take students from car to home, but try to carpool.

Snacks to bring by section:

Clarinets/Flutes-Desserts (prepackaged desserts so we can reuse what is not used at Luau)

Saxes/Low Reeds-Chips

Percussion-Hot Dog Buns

Trumpets/Horns-Hamburger Buns

Low Brass/Guard-Drinks (12 packs)

There was a question as to if it's mandatory. Amy stated that Mr. Armstrong's policy is work is not an excuse to miss a band function or practice. If students are in town, they are expected to be there.

Encourage your student to come and at least stay 30 minutes, even if they are hesitant. This is a fun bonding time for them.

#### **Registration:**

This is the second registration for those that missed the first one.

Saturday, August 7, 8:00-12:00pm

WHS Band Hall

8:00. Mr. Armstrong will let the students know who need to come. Please come at 8:00 instead of assigned times so we can get the few who need it in and out quickly.

Volunteers needed. See sign up genius.

#### **Kick-off Game Aug. 18th (Scrimmage):**

The students will leave school and report to Lumpkins. If they can't go home, the band will bus the ones who need it.

Boosters will provide snack and a drink when they get to the stands.

Students will wear khakis and W shirt.

**Ice Cream Social 19th, Thursday, school night:**

The students will leave school and report to Lumpkins. If they can't go home, the band will bus the ones who need it.

Parents and family welcome.

Performance at 8.

Ice cream and dismissal at 9.

**Bandwiches:**

Friday before any away game, we make sack lunches for the students after the game. 9 am.

Volunteers needed. See sign up genius.

**Movie Nights - Railyard- Friday nights:**

August 6. We will be providing concessions for the movie nights. Will be putting a sign up genius for volunteers.

**Spirit Nights:**

Flyers will be posted. We have 15-20 spirit nights scheduled at local restaurants. Most nights are Wednesday nights because the students won't be practicing and will be able to participate.

**Fan pledge:**

We are currently at \$45K, we need to bring in \$63K in order for boosters to get \$50K (due to paying fan pledge approximately \$13K). We have one more week left. You will get a text reminder if you pledged.

**Cowboy Raffle:**

We just put the deposit down on the Cowboy raffle (see notes on ET minutes for details). Each student will receive 10 tickets. \$20 tickets. Must turn in the unsold tickets or they have to pay for them. This year, the seats are more desirable lower level seats than last year- will be in the end zone or corner. Also includes a 2-night stay in Hilton Garden Inn in Irving, transportation to and from the game, and 2 platinum lounge tickets to Bill Gates pregame party (food and alcoholic drinks included). The date is Sunday, December 26, playing Washington Football Team.

**Disney:**

189 students signed up for it. 21 chaperones going. Remember if you signed up for Disney, you have first choice to chaperone games and contests to get your requirements in. If you haven't paid your band fees, you will be removed off the list for chaperone. If parents are going to Disney but don't want to ride bus, something to think about is that your child cannot leave their group of people at Disney. They go in with their chaperone, cannot park hop, the students stick together, call every two hours by chaperone, and meet up every 4 hours with chaperone. Students can't leave and go to mom and dad. They must stay with band group. You must be approved with PIE first or you can't go around the band students. As of now, masks are required inside at Disney, but it may change.

**Concessions:**

No additional spots will be added. Community service spots are not for parents (no credit for concessions is given for these spots). This is for NHS/Interact. Please don't sign up for this spot on the sign up genius unless your child needs the hours for community service.

**Director's Report:**

Wear Waxahachie shirt for Back To School Bash.

Registration- will get list of students and come early at 8.

Adjusted hours on Aug 14 and 28

Sept 2- not going to do a practice. WFAA's Dale Hansen will have his last broadcast this day and band will be going. He's always been a big supporter of band. Students will be bussed, will have chaperones.

To chaperone- go to the link on the Facebook page to get approved by district. It's easy to get approved now- just fill out the Google form.

Chris and Dewey Burkhalter have props made. They will get together to see who many volunteers they need. Now the props will stay in trailer. They have made dummy props for the band to practice with.

From Junior High:

Howard is having a camp.

Mr. Ingram said Coleman is have band next week in the evenings (Monday and Tuesday).

New Finley director, Mr. Hernandez, was present and introduced.

Please check the Weekly Sheet often. If you have not yet, please join Remind for director updates.

**Q&A from parents:**

Question about financials in lieu of Covid- how are we doing? Alyssa stated that we under budgeted last year with concessions. We based our new budget on 2019-20 year (prior to Covid), based budget on band fees for students coming in. If people pay band fees, we will be doing fine. If we get rained out each time and no one buys concessions, it will be problematic. But we feel comfortable going in. Amy stated - we came into the season in the positive. We are back to the full menu and have added new items. We bought some items for Midkiff so we can sell more and make more money. Newer prices and contracts will help as well. Competition shirt will be \$75 per student, we are trying to raise money for this with fundraising. We have the lowest band fee in the metroplex, probably Texas. Mr. Armstrong tries to keep it lower for the families.

Remember if working concessions wear close toe shoes and a hat on your head. We can't allow you to work if you do not have a hat on.

Cowboy raffle- question if hard ticket or online. It's hard ticket. Buyers may venmo parent and parent can turn in the cash. Will sell at scrimmage and ice cream social- they will go to general fund not personal account. Question on what day will it be drawn. We haven't figured that out yet but will probably be before Thanksgiving.

**Next Meeting Time: October 4, 2021 7 pm WHS Band Hall**

Kathleen motion to close, Crissy second.