

**East Paulding High School Band Booster, Inc.  
Minutes for Booster Meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022**

This meeting took place in person in the band room. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President, Ineke Hudson. In the Secretary's absence, minutes were taken by Sharon Weaver and processed by Ineke Hudson. In attendance were: Ineke Hudson, Jennifer Danz, Dani Eidson, Brian Dunn, Kristina Askew, Rachel Adair, Nick Adair, Jeffrey Mason, Brian Foster, Kate Hobbs, Marquita Johnson, Aurora Diaz, Sharon Weaver, Paige Carter, Julie Irish, Mr. Lerner and Mr. Robichaux.

Ineke Hudson (President) gave welcome/introduction for meeting

### **Nominations**

Brian Dunn is nominated for Treasurer and Nick Adair is nominated for VP of Operations. Both are voted in.

### **Financial Report**

- The financial report was made and presented by the Treasurer, Jennifer Danz.
- o Total expenses \$4,427.98
- o Income \$1,855.13
- o Checking balance \$17,761.89
- o Savings balance \$1450.05
- o Financial report was approved

### **Chairs**

We would like to introduce a few new committees. For colorguard we will need a color guard mom, hopefully to be determined after sign up night. We also want to start a volunteering committee with a chair who will keep up with volunteer opportunities and sign ups. Dani Eidson has agreed to take on Spirit Wear, Kate Hobbs will take over Chaperones and Jeffrey Mason will be lead chair for Operations.

### **Volunteers**

We will have all members sign a check for \$200.00, only to be cashed at the end of season if volunteering duties are not met.

### **Concessions**

We will have six home games and 4 away games next season. The year after will be opposite.

### **Uniforms**

We have new tuxedo shirts. We want to start fitting before band camp, for both marching and concert uniforms.

### **Operations**

Tags for the trailers will be handled by Nick Adair.

### **Fundraising**

Hanging baskets are due today. The mattress sale will be on May 14 at East Middle. With Sharon Weaver graduating we will need a co-chair for fundraising.

### **Chaperones**

We are set for LGPE. Kate Hobbs will be the new chair. Kids will need to bring money for Chick Fil A.

## **Hospitality**

The banquet is on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Julie is taking care of the senior video. Tickets will be \$25.00, band kids who are up to date with dues will be free. RSVP by April 15. Payment can be made through Zelle, it is important that it is clearly stated what and who the payment is for. The exact menu and dress code will be revealed later.

## **Paulding Meadows**

Marquita Johnson has joined Aurora Diaz as co-chair and they will attend future meetings.

## **Mr. Robichaux**

Budget approval at April's meeting. Dues will stay the same, sibling and pay in full discounts will be given.

Middle schools are frequented to establish good relationships. Band will perform for middle school students to encourage marching band participation. We may have as many as 60 freshmen next year.

Spring concert may take place in the auditorium if we cannot get the church location. Kids will wear concert tuxes and dresses.

Band camp will be July 11-15 and July 18-22. First two days will be for freshmen and leadership only, those days will be shorter, but we will still feed the kids. We will have a preview show on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm.

The first Raider Brigade BBQ fundraiser will take place on May 19, 2022. Mr. Robichaux will reach out to his former colleagues who have organized this fundraiser many times before and can give us hints and guidelines. A date will be set to meet with them.

We will need donations in the form of brownies, cookies and chips. We will ask the kids to bring in drinks (sodas and water). Cheeseburger Bobby's might be able to provide us with hamburger buns. We will presale tickets that the school is likely to be able to print for us. We are planning a raffle as well, for which we will need some big ticket items.

## **Volunteers**

New plans are in the making to try and get more people to volunteer next season. The idea is to have all members turn in a \$200.00 check on sign up night, that will only be cashed at the end of the season if volunteering duties are not met. Ineke has made a volunteer schedule that needs a little more tweaking. We will try to get a new committee in charge of keeping up with volunteers, sending out sign-up geniuses etc.

## **Graduation**

Kids will NOT play at graduation.

## **Concessions**

No representatives for concessions are present. There is therefore still uncertainty if the oil has been drained from the fryers. A new lock on the shed will not be necessary.

## **Uniforms**

New tuxedo shirts were ordered and used for the first time at the Pre-LGPE concert. The uniform committee has decided to wash uniforms after band camp this year, so they will be fresh for the first football game, and we can avoid having sweaty kids get fitted in clean uniforms. Fitting might be done before band camp, possibly in June or July.

## **Fall staff**

Eric will be getting help. We will have staff for woodwinds, high brass and low brass. James will be percussion director year round. Private lessons will be offered.

### **School instruments**

We will charge a fee for maintenance. This will hopefully encourage students to take better care of school owned instruments. We may change from Big Note to a different company.

**SnapRaise** was a success and will be repeated in October next season. Marching band will be in full swing at this time and it will be easier to get attention.

**LGPE** will take place in the next two days. Call times are on the website.

### **Leadership**

Proposals are due on March 24 and the projects are due after Spring Break. Dates for applications, drum major clinics and leadership camp are on the website.

### **Band Camp**

Band camp will not run through preplanning this year. Freshmen and leadership will start two days prior to the other kids, so they can ease into the routines. Fitting freshmen uniforms can take place on these two days as well.

### **Operations**

Props have been moved. Registration stickers for the trailers have been taken care of.

### **Fundraising**

Hanging baskets orders are due today. Orders will hopefully come in before Spring Break.

The mattress sale will take place on May 14 at the middle school.

We want to strive for a few big fundraisers every year instead of a lot of smaller ones. The plan is to have:

Sheets at the start of Band Camp

SnapRaise in the Fall

Poinsettias before Christmas Break

Hanging Baskets before Spring Break

BBQ at the end of the season

In light of last year's success, we will look into doing the cookie dough fundraiser again as well.

### **Chaperones**

Kate Hobbs will chaperone symphonic band for LGPE and Angie Barton will chaperone wind ensemble the day after.

### **Hospitality**

The banquet is set for May 5<sup>th</sup> at the Burnt Hickory Church. Forms were signed and turned in by Ineke and Paige Carter has selected a menu. Prices have gone up and therefore tickets will be dols for \$25.00 this year. We are still deciding on actual tickets or wristbands, leaning toward wristbands. An RSVP date of April 15<sup>th</sup> is mentioned.

### **Nominations**

The board has nominated Brian Dunn for next year's Treasurer and Nick Adair for next year's VP of Operations.

### **Budget**

A budget was finalized by Mr. Robichaux, Jennifer Danz, Ashley Gibbs and Ineke Hudson. We will vote on this at April's meeting. A few changes are the fee that kids will pay for a school owned instrument and payment for James as percussion director.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:59 pm.

