

WHS BAND BOOSTERS OFFICERS MEETING – MINUTES

Monday, June 15, 2020 @ 6:30pm

Attending

Jill Adams (uniforms), Candice Batton (secretary and marching competition food), Theresa Delahoyde (historian and marching band bus parent), Carolyn Doherty (treasurer), Tom Erlandson (president), Shana Gerdes (uniforms and outgoing treasurer), Brady Rohlfs (director), Jake Senff (assistant director), Kelli Thompson (band camp), Dawn Witte (vice president)

The meeting started with a welcome and introductions.

Band Camp Update

Last fall, the Band Boosters voted to increase the band camp registration fee to \$150, and to allow students to pay in two installments of \$75 each. With District 145 covering the cost of instructors (i.e., about \$6,000/year), may not need to increase as much. Students who need assistance with Band Camp fees should work with Brady, who can petition the foundation directly or go to the guidance counselors who also have funds. Fee includes fees for camp, food, gloves, and it covers bags. The District will not review and vote on the increase until July. Bill now for \$80 (amount charged last year) and let people know that second billing likely.

Anticipated costs? Band Boosters will pay half of transportation costs for charter buses, District pays half. If directed health measures are in place, we will not be taking buses at all. Thus, don't need to worry about paying for 2-3 times as many buses to accommodate social distancing.

Dawn will contact Heather and work on sponsorships for marching season. Already approved by District as a fundraiser. Also, ask for snack sponsors for Band Camp (or marching season). Ask parents to donate cash or give specific guidelines about snack needs. Parents can also assist with serving at Band Camp, if available.

Using 2019 figures.... Band camp expenses minus \$6,000 for instructors, then divide by 160 kids (i.e., number anticipated for 2020), results in an expected cost of about \$108 per student. Consider \$120 so that accounts can be built up some for instrument purchases. Need to ensure that people know they can ask for assistance if needed, many already do. Motion to change Band Camp fee from \$150 to \$120 per student by Delahoyde, seconded by Gerdes. Approved unanimously.

Information on band camp needs to go out soon. We can request \$80 now, \$40 later. Kelli will work with section leaders to help with shirt sizes. Theresa will contact Casey Fritton to see about availability for photos during Band Camp.

Jill and Shana will assess uniform situation this week. Typically takes about 1-2 weeks to turn uniforms around with dry cleaning.

Kelli will draft Band Camp registration form and send it around.

Charms App Update

At this point, about 2/3 of names have been entered into the Charms app. Brady could use some assistance with entering data into the web-based platform. Shana offered assistance.

Senior Banner

Did not get auctioned off last year because of COVID-19. Consider selling now or renting it out.

Upcoming Meeting

Anyone involved with band camp and marching band plus Band Boosters officers are invited to attend the next meeting on Mon, 6/29 at 6:30pm at Woodland Hills Golf Course.