

Apex High School Band Board Minutes from 08-11-2015

Meeting called to order at 7:00

Band Director's Report – Daniel Jarvis (djarvis@wcpss.org)

Working on competitions. We will have them on 9/26, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, and 10/31 will be Cary Band Day. We will not have one on Nov. 7. Tentative locations are as follows:

9/26 Panther Creek 10/24 Northwest Guilford 10/31 Cary Band Day

If we do Panther Creek, we could do parent drop off, but would need to organize forms for parent pick up.

Cary Band Day- we have always taken Activity Buses

Will there be any double headers? Maybe

Staff Instructors have been very good: Will, Megan, and Caroline. Kudos to Mr. Rowe for setting them up. It is going faster than usual which means the more people we can beat early in the season.

Need someone to video the second home game.

Remind 101- we will need to re-register when Mr. Jarvis sets it up.

Booster President's Report – Terri Piasecki (bb_president@apexhighband.org)

Extra show shirts can be ordered in this spiritwear order only. So far we have orders for 22. There is a link on facebook for alumni to order.

\$20 due from each student this week for track pants.

Committee Chairs- Terri has original sign up forms from the picnic with parent names and email addresses.

<u>Visual Ensemble Update</u>- (Shelly) VE is going well even though they started late. The staff live in Hickory, but are students at NCSU. They have 5 kids with rifles. Choreography is beautiful with the flags. They eliminated the dance crew at first, but then restarted them with some girls who had dance experience. These girls will also do either rifle, flag, or both.

<u>First Aid committee</u>- up and running. The bags are ready. Paperwork is ready. The binders are set. There is a brief overview in the front of each binder with a summary of allergies and notes on what to do with bee stings.

Incident form- In Case of Emergency at a competition. Boosters have umbrella policy for competitions that could cover emergency medical care needed.

<u>Band Camp</u>- Over! It went well. Section leaders had leadership training with Wanda and Coach Hagar on topics like trust, protocols, goal setting for sections, whole team, building relationships, communication. This was good and should be continued year after year. Another suggestion is the ropes course at Bond Park for team building next year. Leslie's facebook page has been a good example of her leadership skills in action with good communication to the band!

Middle School Night- We invite feeder middle schools to come and play with the band for the National Anthem and in the stands. They can watch the halftime show, then we then have a party after the game with refreshments, and we show a video of the halftime show. We are trying to figure out a good date for MS night as it can't be homecoming, or Gold Patron Night, or the Ring Ceremony night. 2 or our home games are August 21 and 28 which are too early for MS night, so we are limited on dates. Looking at October 2 game or the night that the JV team will play AFHS, which is now on a Friday night while the Varsity plays away.

1st Vice President's Report – Michael McLanahan (bb_1stvp@apexhighband.org)

We have 109 band students so we are exploring ways to transport them and chaperones. We are right at 2 buses, but that is really not enough room for chaperones, prop kids, etc. With 3 buses we will have extra spaces that could be sold to parents to travel to the competitions. We have been using Holiday Tours and have been satisfied with them, but we are shopping around from the WCPSS approved list of bus companies. Chaperone minimum is 2 per bus + Mr. Jarvis + Staff. However, in the past, we have asked staff to transport themselves.

Smaller buses are not that much less and provide less storage space under the bus.

2nd Vice President's Report – Berry Credle and Sandra Hershberger (bb 2ndvp@apexhighband.org)

<u>Car Wash</u>-Saturday, August 15 at Advanced Auto on Hwy 55 9:00am-2:00pm. Parents needed to guide cars (not to wash). We will bring 2 drums and 2 flags to attract attention to the car wash. We will use the further back parking lot so as not to interfere in business.

<u>Go Play Save Books</u>- There is a link on the band website for GPS. Stella Lescher will be at the end of practices on Tuesday and Thursdays in a green Nissan Quest mini-van.

<u>Mattress Sale</u>-Saturday, October 3 Pass our flyers now. Put student's names so they get credit for customers who come. Why is the mattress sale effective? 1 in 10 people are in the market for a new mattress. The market is good right now for mattresses, especially with new construction in our area. The prices are about 30% cheaper because they have no showroom and no marketing fees. We made more than \$6000 last year, so it is a really good fundraiser for us. Each student can make money for their band account as well for referrals. 1^{st} referral= \$20, 2^{nd} = \$25, 3^{rd} = \$50. One student last year had 5 referrals. Clint from the mattress sale will be here at the September 10 meeting and will bring yard signs. We will give the Town of Apex names and addresses of families who are willing to put up signs in their yards for one week before the sale. We do not have a permit for Cary.

Special rates given to faculty members (\$100 off) and other discounts for EMT, firefighters, and police.

<u>Chipotle Fundraiser</u> night raised \$860.00. We already have a check from them.

<u>Shop with Scrip-</u> Some people are taking advantage of this. You can get virtual gift cards for many stores including Amazon, gas, Wal Mart, etc. You need to set up an account with Shop with Scrip.

Grocery Cards- Lowe's Foods- 6% and Food Lion- 4%. These are not re-loadable

Link to Kroger for and HT VIC card for general band fund. These are easy to do online.

Amazon Smile- 0.5% of sales go to general band fund for those who choose Apex Band Boosters from the list of organizations.

Dates to Note

9/10 Next General Booster Meeting (note change from Tuesday to Thursday)

Meeting adjourned at 8:16pm