

RP THEATRE BOOSTER CLUB MEETING AUGUST 28, 2023

This evening's meeting was 3-fold:

Part 1 - First Theatre Parent meeting of the year, began at 6:08 pm.

Teacher Alex Novia spoke about Fall Semester Events, Spring Semester Events, Texas Thespian Festival, International Thespian Festival, Grant Applications, and our success in procuring a \$19,980 mic system donation from the Sienna Community Services Foundation.

She introduced Troupe 7678's Student Board, who spoke about their individual roles, and reviewed their Mission, Vision & Core Values. Katie B. gave a brief synopsis of Trail to Oregon, our first show of the year. Patrick C. asked that all students & parents join the Band app and listed social media accounts. Sterling S. posted a QR code for the troupe's Amazon Wish List and requested donations.

Part 2 – Miss Novia introduced Madelon M. to parents. She introduced the Board & Committee Chairs and asked a few Chairs to discuss upcoming events (noted below). Madelon reiterated the importance of joining our Booster Club, let parents know that they are always welcome at our meetings (but they must join Booster to have a vote), and that we would now start our official Booster meeting (welcome to stay but free to leave).

Part 3 – Booster Meeting for August 28, 2023.

I. Call to Order / Presence of Quorum 6:34 pm.

Board Members in Attendance:

Madelon McGrenera, Marcy Cashion, Melissa Bland, Michalyn Porter, Amanda Anderson & Kim Janak

Teachers in Attendance:

Alexandrea Novia, Blake Weir

Committee Chairs in Attendance:

Molly Brogan, Crissy Daniel, Danielle Hooks, Melissa Jackson, Kathy Jones, Amy Saenz, Tamisika Smith & Kelly Wilmot

Students in Attendance:

Katie Bland, Erin Brogan, Patrick Cashion, Reese McGrenera, Miles Menendez (Class of 2023), TJ Saenz, Sterling Smith & Grace Williamson

Other Booster Members in Attendance:

Casidah Davis, Portia Davis, Melissa & Jose Flores, Leslie Jones, Megan Knudson, Linda Linton, Janeca Malveaux, Morgan McMorris, Crystal & Justin O'Brien, Terry Saenz, Jeremy Staible, Missy Warner & Tobi White

Non-Member Parents in Attendance:

Jazmin Abdulmasih, Lindsey Bart, Michelle Bemudez, Ana Cantu, Cindi Chilcote, Beth Johnson, Anthony Jones, Tara McCartney, Maria Nasco, Rafael Nolasco, Amy & Scott Perdue, Shay Ramos, Tracy Roberts, Rachel Ryan, Shweta Sabramanian, Matt Sikes, Neil & Salve Tecson, David White & Tom Woods

II. President's Report – Madelon

- a. Welcomed parents and introduced Board & Committee Members
- b. Special thanks to our current 29 members. Noted Booster Club's purpose and solicited new members. Noted current Community Sponsors and requested help in finding more.
- c. Reviewed our main communication tool, the Band App, and suggested everyone join. Also listed Social Media sites.
- d. Motion to Approve Meal Coordinator/Tamisika Smith from 08/18/2023 (email approval: Madelon moved to add; 2nd Michalyn, approved by Melissa B., Marcy, Kim & Alex). All in Favor; None Opposed.
- e. Open Committee Chairs asked if anyone would like to head up Haunted House, Silent Auction, or Show Coordinator. Emphasized need for new Freshman or Sophomore parents to become involved, since four of our six board members are Senior parents.

III. Vice President's Report – Marcy Cashion

- a. Noted that all fundraising efforts must be approved by Principal Len Brogan, who then forwards to FBISD for approval.
- b. All Spirit Nights, the Car Wash & Haunted House have been approved for the Fall 2023 Semester.

IV. Treasurer's Report – Michalyn Porter

- a. In keeping with having Freshman/Sophomore parents becoming involved in the Board, Michalyn noted that she is looking for a Financial Secretary who can shadow her and take over Treasurer duties next year. Leslie Jones (Haven Jones) noted she might be interested.
- b. Reviewed June & July Financials. Marcy motioned to approve; Melissa J. 2nd. All in Favor; None Opposed.

- c. Tina Worrell QuickBooks \$550. Madelon motioned to approve; Marcy 2nd. All in Favor; None Opposed.
- d. Motion to Approve Theatre Needs
 - a. Costume Shop Upgrade/Hanging Rod \$228.15. Amy motioned to approve; Kathy 2nd. All in Favor; None Opposed.
 - b. Trail to Oregon Needs \$155. Melissa J. motioned to approve; Kim 2nd. All in Favor; None Opposed.
 - c. Booth Upgrade \$1,158.99 (Speaker \$459.99, QLab \$400, Artlist Software \$299). Marcy motioned to approve; Kathy 2nd. All in Favor; None Opposed.
- e. Motion to Approve 2023 2024 Budget
 - a. Madelon talked about overall income & expenses (will send an email reminder to prompt Booster membership). Noted ticket sales go to theatre department's Activity Fund (not Booster).
 - b. Scrolled through entire Budget's income & expenses in case of questions (noted Concessions will be sold when we host UIL in March)
- a. Janeca motioned to approve; Marcy 2nd. All in Favor; None Opposed.

V. Publicity Report – Amanda Anderson & Kim Janek

a. Will be handling publicity/posts for upcoming Trail to Oregon Show

VI. Teacher Report – Alex

- a. Last year we were awarded Honor Troupe Status by the Texas Thespians.

 Tomorrow a rep from the group will be on campus with our plaque & banner, which will be acknowledged in the Texas Thespian monthly magazine.
- b. Our next Spirit Night is Chipotle Wed. 09/06 from 4 8 pm; participants must show a flyer (distributed in class) for the troupe to receive % of proceeds
- c. Trail to Oregon is next weekend, Fri. 09/08 Sat. 09/09. SUG will be sent out for concessions & Fan-O-Grams will be available for purchase
- d. Convention registration closes Fri. 10/20; trying to register participating students ASAP, so we can reserve lodging at the Gaylord.
- e. Car Wash is coming up Sat. 09/16 from 9 am 3 pm. Students attending Convention are required to participate. SUG has been distributed.

VII. Student Report – Officers

- a. Patrick & Miles expressed thanks for Booth Upgrade approval. Discussed goal for spring semester, a Customized Booth iMac System for \$3,169.55 (includes software and would utilize a troupe iCloud rather than individual account).
- b. Katie Bland discussed Banquet (students only at venue) & Awards (students & parents in Auditorium). Unfortunately Quail Valley was too pricey; currently looking into Sawmill Clubhouse with a Churro food truck (\$6/per person) to provide refreshments.

VIII. Secretary – Melissa Bland

- a. Motion to Approve June 26, 2023 By-Law Vote. Kelly motioned to approve; Marcy 2nd. All in Favor; None Opposed.
- b. Next Club Meetings:
 - 1. Tues. 09/12 at 6:30 pm in the Black Box with Zoom option.
 - 2. Mon. 10/23 at 6:30 pm in the Black Box with Zoom option.
- c. Meeting Minutes to be added to the Booster site.

IX. Committee Reports

a. Car Wash on Sept. 16th – Kathy Jones
Sign-Up-Genius has been sent out – please come out to support the troupe and help wash cars. Waiting to hear back from Harvest as to whether we can have a bake sale, but that's not looking promising.

b. Spirit Nights – Molly Brogan

Approved Events for Fall:

Thurs. 08/17 – Ramble Creek

Wed. 09/06 – Chipotle (must submit flyer)

Thurs. 10/19 – Brandani's Burger

Sat. 11/11 – Cane's

Thurs. 11/16 – Chicken Salad Chick (kids are at convention)

Wed. 12/06 – Brandani's Burger

Thurs. 01/18 – Ramble Creek

c. Spirit Wear – Crissy Daniel

Spirit Wear Shop is now open for new orders through Fri. 09/08.

d. Volunteer Coordinator – Amy Saenz

Amy reminded parents that they must complete an FBISD Background Check if volunteering. She asked that parents show her their approval emails the first time they volunteer. She will be sending Sign-Up-Geniuses for all events (typically a couple of weeks prior to shows). Melissa J. reminded parents that it is imperative that we have parent volunteers to assist with concessions.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Minutes approved at the Sept. 12, 2023 Booster Club Meeting.