

# **BVNW Bandwagon Meeting**

## **Minutes**

**Tuesday, September 3rd, 2019**

**7:00 pm in the Band room**

Welcome/Call to Order – Kelly Winkler called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

- Introductions and Explanation of Bandwagon - Kelly and Stacie introduced themselves and had the group introduce themselves and their student. Stacie asked everyone to sign in and announced that Husky magnets are available. She explained what occurs at the Bandwagon meeting.
- May 2019 Minutes- The meeting minutes were reviewed and approved. Jennifer Walker motioned to approve the minutes and Scott Winkler seconded..
- Committee Chair Reports
  - a.) Treasurer Report--- Kristi Taylor - 78% of band fees have been collected. Reminder letters have been sent for those who have not paid. Capital account transfer shows “balancing the budget” with our cash reserves. As far as expenses, all categories are on or under budget. Neutral inflows/expenses – these are “pass through” items, such as color guard uniforms and have no impact on the revenue and expenses. Adam explained that the program goal is to spend all dollars taken in, so that the funds collected from parents go back to their students.
  - b.) Spirit Wear--- Kristi Taylor – Delivery occurred around August 20 with the back to school sale. A new chairperson is needed. There are usually only two sales a year – one in the fall and one in the winter. A parent has stepped in to offer a second sale based on the Show theme. That will come out in the next few weeks. Not certain if that parent will do winter sale or not, but it is a possibility. This is a limited commitment as there is not a sale in the spring. Dawghouse is easy to work with.
  - c.) Welcome to the Band --- Kelly Winkler/Stacie Gram – This occurred the evening before new marcher camp. New marchers were invited and were able to meet their section leaders before new marcher camp. Parents were invited and were able to sign up for committees.
  - d.) Band Preview Night --- Kelly Winkler/Stacie Gram – As the band has grown, the night has been simplified (no longer a big picnic or snacks provided). This year provided water. This has allowed the bandwagon to reduce the budget. This year the time was moved to 4:30 rather than an evening event. With the change in the time, it was better attended and simplified for the kids in not having to go home and then come back. Feedback is positive, will consider keeping these changes going forward. Band preview night also had a fundraiser at Twisters which resulted in \$120. Discussion occurred about having a similar fundraiser after Future Howling Huskies night.
  - e.) Uniforms—Jen Stambaugh, Betsy Waxman, Linda Stark – Fittings went well, no long lines or overcrowding. All kids but one have been fitted and only five alterations left to do. Daytime

fittings made it difficult to find volunteers. The committee chairs will consider the pros and cons before next year. This coming Friday – anticipating that the kids will wear band shirts rather than uniforms due to the heat. Anyone is welcome to help with band uniforms before performances/games

- f.) Locker Decorations - Hannah Barlows – Hannah did decorations for new marchers. These have been made and put on their lockers. She welcomes volunteers. Discussion of the sheet decorating contest for Homecoming occurred. There is a cash award. Kelly will reach out to Hannah to see if she is interested in doing the sheet again this year.
- g.) Roadies – Jeff Parrish -
  - a. Water – inquired about purchasing and getting reimbursement for water. Payment request form is on the band website.
  - b. Trucks are lined up for road events.
- h.) Feed the Band--- Kris and Matt Quick – Off to a good start. Kris has made reservations for all major events for fall – BBQ for KState, Chris Cakes, doughnuts and pizza for the various events. Kris has sign up genius for volunteer for various events. The presidents will ensure links to the sign up genius are put on the website. Kris is working with band directors for to determine what the food needs are for the local festivals. KState festival is sometimes difficult to staff with volunteers. Feed the Band volunteers, however, will get a wristband to attend the festival. Most sign ups are filled very quickly.
- i.) Band Camp Snacks – Sharon Murdock – Came in under budget. However, please do not adjust the budget. Primary reason was donation of Gatorade from soccer team. Also with a slightly smaller size and rebate available on animal crackers we were in good shape.
- j.) Senior Recognition Night --- Michelle Tribbey & Kendall Burr – they are repeating on this committee. The date is October 24. Karen Stohlmann inquired about printing pictures from senior recognition night to be framed and presented to the seniors as their gift at the band gala. This was favorably received. The cost of the printing of the picture will come out of the senior recognition night and the cost of the frame will come out of the Band Gala budget. Electronic version of the picture will be provided to the parents. Inquiry was made about “copyright” of the picture. It was explained that parent volunteers take the pictures so this is not an issue.
- k.) Chaperones Captain --- Linda Stark – chaperones needed for three events. Sign ups are available. You do receive admission if you volunteer as a chaperone. Sign ups will be posted on the website. This led to discussion of the website and Shalini mentioned that we had very few pictures submitted last year. Suggestion was made that chaperones would be requested to take pictures. This suggestion was well received.
- l.) Glow Show --- Corby Malik and Christina Fink
  - a. Confirm plan – Last year was very successful, weather was great. Christina and Corby are excited to do it again and apply what they’ve learned. Corby is in favor of keeping it the same even though it is after Halloween, and they also have some new ideas. Corby has reached out to Johnny Rowlands and to others for raffle donations. Discussion of Trunk or Treat – making time frame more compact, offering prizes for car theme, “give back” candy, minimizing candy handouts. Corby and Christina will consider the various ideas.

- b. Glow show uniforms – significant project to ensure we know what size the kids need and to make sure suits are in good working order.
- m.) Care/Concern---Megan Dillavou – Megan has addressed care and concern needs for four or five people that the band directors have let her know about in regards to illness, grandparents passing away or broken bones.

#### Band directors report

Awesome start to the school year. Fun to get to know the new kids and to see the older kids interactions with the younger kids. Camp had very high energy. First performance was Friday at Husky Night, first home football game is coming up this Friday. The show has been developed quite a bit since band camp. The band continues to work on the show throughout the season. There is an early festival this year so they are working extremely hard. Weekly emails will be sent out so parents and students know what is going on. Announcements are also made at the end of class each day. This Friday it is likely they will not wear full uniforms for the game. Show shirts will be worn instead. The show shirt is covered by band fee. Friday night students will wear band shirt, black shorts and tennis shoes. Call time is 5:00 for Color Guard and Drum Line, 5:30 for whole band. There will be an assembly at 10:10 Friday morning with drumline and band performing. May require band shirts to be worn on game days.

#### Upcoming dates:

Sep 11 – Wednesday night rehearsal at 6:30 to 8:30

Sep 18 – Wednesday night rehearsal at 6:30 to 8:30

Sep 23 – Monday – Blue Valley district marching showcase. All Blue Valley schools will perform. This event can be very crowded so arrive early. BVNW is performing 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> that night.

Sep 27 – second home football game. Future Howling Husky night. Adding a component and having a clinic for middle school students interested in Color Guard.

Sep 28 – K State festival. Have not received schedule but anticipating leaving around 1, with performance around 6:45. Late night arrival home – midnight or 1:00.

Oct 1 – next Bandwagon meeting.

The band has switched communication methods and is now utilizing the Band app. Also weekly emails are being sent via Canvas instead of Charms. Weekly message should typically be received Thursday or Friday. Please let directors know if you are not receiving it.

#### New Business:

Bylaws Review – Written copies were distributed. Stacie highlighted the substantive changes and explained that everyone had the opportunity to review the changes and ask questions at the next meeting. We will also vote on the bylaw changes at the next meeting.

Some of the changes highlighted included:

- Clarified the nominating committee size and how members are selected to the committee (volunteer or requested by co-presidents).
- Changed term limits to three years rather than two years.
- Minutes will be maintained electronically. Kris Quick noted that it says minutes will be posted to BVNW website (rather than bandwagon website). This will be corrected.
- Clarified that co-chairs for a position are limited to one vote in total (not one vote each)
- Sharon Murdock noted inconsistency as to whether past presidents are a member of the executive committee or not.
- Clarified that simple majority vote of bandwagon members in attendance at a meeting is sufficient for a vote.
- Clarified definition of a quorum.
- Changed budget meeting date (from fall to May)
- Clarified that expenditures that have not been budgeted will require a vote of the membership if greater than \$250.
- Changed requirement for dual signature on a check to expenditures over \$1,000 (previously \$250)
- Clarified definition of individual student band account.
- Changed dating for requests for use of individual student band funds to correspond with budget dates.
- Governance and oversight provisions were added. (Review of bank statements, review of bank account reconciliations)

A complete copy of the revised bylaws can be found on the band website, and was also handed out at the meeting.

Motion adjournment by Scott Winkler, seconded by Krystal Robinson. Meeting adjourned at 8:11.