Band Booster General Meeting Minutes

Chisholm Trail Ranger Regiment

Date: September 14, 2026

Time: 6:00 PM

Called to Order: 6:04 PM by Anthony Ynostrosa

Recorded By: Beth Foster, Secretary

Approval of Minutes

- Motion: George Kearns
- Second: Elba Soto
- Result: Passed

Reports

Director's Report

- Currently working on the second movement of the show; will begin the third movement next week, followed by the fourth.
- Working on getting the house prop on the field. Will practice assembling and disassembling the prop after this meeting.
- Newsletter: any booster related items to be included are to be sent to Schriver by Thursday. Newsletter goes out Fridays, Saturday at the latest.
- Band Expo (UIL Regional Marching, hosted by CTHS): need as many volunteers as possible.
  - UIL volunteer needs:
    - Parking: all school lots will be used; volunteers needed to take tickets.
    - Concession stand volunteers needed.
    - Twelve schools expected to come through.
- Band Expo will include all-district participation.
- Competition schedule:
  - First Saturday of October (10-3-2026): Don Hanna competition, perform at 11:30 AM. No football game the night before; likely practice Friday evening for Saturday's competition.
  - Wednesday (10-7-2026): Band Expo.
  - Saturday (10-10-2026): Birdville Invitational Marching Festival.
  - Monday (10-12-2026): holiday, but practice held.
  - Tuesday (10-13-2026): UIL Region Marching.
  - 9 to 10 days off before the next competition.
  - UIL Area Competition: October 24.
- Meeting next Tuesday for those volunteering for UIL Region on October 13.
  - CTHS Band will be the first to perform at Region.
- District has decided to stay in summer uniforms one more week. Shoe statements will be sent to students who still owe for shoes. If a student forgets something, the band will cover it but will have them leave something to hold as collateral.
- Homecoming halftime performance will take place after the game.
- Alumni may interact with students during the third quarter.
- Need parent volunteers to ride the buses.

- Need volunteers to sit with or near students during games.
- Show shirts have been ordered.
- Discussion about reducing reliance on a single funding source. Looking at pushing the district for clearer expectations on fund management, what students should pay for, and what should be covered through fundraising.
- Question raised on whether Guard being seated separately from the band at the last game is now standard. Confirmed: Guard sits in front if there's room, to the side if not.
- Third-quarter expectation: students stay within the band block rather than going to concessions. They may mingle and sit in different areas but must stay within the block. The group will explore passing out snacks and hydration; going forward, students should be getting situated during the last four minutes.
- Reminder: once in uniform, student snacks should avoid anything that could spill and stain the uniform. Water or clear drinks only.
- No shoe painting this year. Considering popular "tops" instead and may look into black bibbers depending on what's decided for tops.
- Competitive season runs through early November. If football goes into playoffs, the band will continue performing through the playoffs.
- Meal Plan fee handling will be revisited for next season.
    - 20 of 180 students did not sign up for the meal plan this year.

President's Report

- Two weeks until “Bandtober”.
- Homecoming this week: students may wear small mums as long as they are not attached to the uniform.
- Large mums may be hung on the fence.
- Performance will take place after the game.
- Band Expo:
    - All-district bands will attend.
    - Concessions can be open, but keeping it simple is recommended.
- Upcoming competitions:
    - UIL:
        - Need 30 to 40 volunteers.
        - Volunteer meeting next Tuesday.
        - Outside vendors are allowed outside the stadium but cannot interfere with UIL vendors. Outside vendors cannot sell same type of merch (like shirts) as UIL vendors. Food vendors should be avoided since the band is selling concessions.
    - Duncanville competition (10-17-2026) has been canceled.
- Two upcoming parades:
    - Saginaw Christmas Parade, December 5. Need volunteers to help build a float. Wind Ensemble and Seniors will participate.
    - Parade of Lights, Downtown Fort Worth, November 22. All students participate.

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report

Balance: $12,766

- Army sponsorship is coming through and will hit the account by end of week.
- Received the fan pledge check today: $30,828.
- Balance will total $48,594 once all pending amounts hit the account.
- Taxes for the fiscal year have been filed.

Sponsorship / Fundraising

- Garage Sale raised $1,483. Remaining items were put in the trailer for pricing for next garage sale.
- Nothing Bundt Cakes fundraiser: $200.
- Lemonade sales: $320.
- Upcoming Fundraisers
  - Spirit Nights:
    - Raising Cane's - September 29.
    - Panda Express - October 6.
  - Fun Run: January 30.
    - Chip timer booked.
    - Sign-up is live.
    - If the date conflicts with the percussion contest, will check with Schriver about rescheduling.

Equipment (Road Crew)

- Will practice assembling and disassembling the prop after this meeting.

Uniforms

- No uniform distribution for the upcoming week.
- Changes to uniform handling:
  - Racks will no longer be brought to the stadium; there's no room for them on the trailer.
  - Students will wear uniforms the entire time during games, which will require more frequent washing.
  - Need 7 students to help with uniforms.
    - One student plus one parent per rack to check uniforms.
  - More information to come.

Hospitality

- Meal schedule for games is posted in the band hall and is subject to change.
- Students who did not purchase the meal plan have options such as Uncrustables and chips.
- Students will not be fed at UIL competition, but volunteers will be fed.
- Students will be fed at Band Expo.

Concessions

- Earned $2,785; spent $1,679; profit of $1,105.50. Restocking for new season is the biggest expense.
- Top sellers: 324 units of water, 72 units of hamburgers, Sprite as the number one seller, plus nachos and Powerade.
- Average order value: $6.25.
- Sourced new retailer for hamburger patties, reduced cost from $1.15 per patty to $0.25 per patty for same quality.
- Switching from regular to jumbo hot dogs to charge a bit more.
- Added ramen noodles for a higher profit margin.
- Acquired a large coffee urn for hot water.
- Putting up "On the Dot Pit Stop" banners on concessions building
- Potential promotion: bring back an aluminum can, get a free candy.
- Proposal to switch from the free Square account to Square Pro for faster checkout, combo purchases, more flexibility on pricing and margins, inventory max levels, and the ability to sell out on the kiosk. Cost: $49/month.

Website

- Need Mr. Esparza’s headshot and bio

Medical

- Updated medication policy:
  - Boosters can no longer administer medication, including over-the-counter medication.

    - If a student is over 18, medication can be administered to them directly. If a parent is present, medication can be given to the parent to administer.
    - If a parent is not present, depending on the circumstances, a call to the parent may be needed to obtain verbal approval.

Sales & Merchandise

- Switchyard sales: from August 6 to 12, sold $6,722.74 in items already on hand.
- Spent $410 to bring in new women's hats, men's hats, and earrings to sell as merchandise.
- Shoes have been ordered; waiting on ETA. Cost: $240.
- Gray spirit shirts will be discontinued and replaced with purple shirts. Discontinued gray shirts will be donated to feeder middle schools.
- Will accept donations for merchandise sales.

Photography

No additional notes recorded.

Color Guard Liaison

No additional notes recorded.

Percussion Liaison

No additional notes recorded.

Old Business

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New Business

Banquet dates and pricing:

- Need to determine venue.
- If not held in the cafeteria, the venue needs to be booked a year in advance.
- Proposed date: May 8

Bank Account Updates

Changes:

- Remove Kristy Swaim from the account.
- Remove Valricia McCloud from the account.
- Remove Brittney Vance-Sapien as a responsible account holder. She will remain an authorized signer.
- Add Zachary Micah Lutterbie as an authorized signer (approved).

After these changes:

- **Responsible account holders:**
    - Anthony Ynostrosa
    - Courtney Ledet

- **Authorized signers:**
    - Brittney Vance-Sapien
    - Amanda Zarbock
    - Zachary Micah Lutterbie

Motions

- Motion: Upgrade concession Square account to Square Pro.
  - Made by: **Kelly Murphy** Second: **George Kearns** Result: **Passed**

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Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: George Kearns

Second: Kendra Kearns

Meeting Adjourned At: 7:30 PM

Next Meeting

Date: 10-12-2026

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Band Hall