



Band Booster General Meeting

November 11, 2024

6:00 pm

Called to order at 6:01 pm by Julie Reed, President

Recorded by Lisa Quortrup, Secretary

Reading of Minutes

- Minutes from October 7, 2024 General Meeting read by Lisa Quortrup.
 - Motion to approve by Tina Winchester
 - Christina Lamb seconded
 - **Minutes accepted.**

Director's Report: Ms. Rivers

- The Ranger Regiment is ending a successful marching season. The band made area finals which hasn't been done since 2019.
- The band performed a western themed spirit show at the game against Saginaw last Friday night. We couldn't perform the entire show because the woodwinds were unable to play because of the weather. We will be performing the same show this Friday at the Rangers first ever playoff game. Game tickets will go on sale tomorrow at 1:00 pm.
- CTHS Theater did a show entitled Clue and volunteers from our Jazz band performed in that.
- The band has begun preparing holiday music. The concert is December 12th.
- The jazz band concert is on December 10th.
- On December 3rd we are hosting the Brass All Region audition at our school. We need parents to volunteer to be room monitors. We will need a minimum of 20 volunteers. It will start around 6pm. The woodwind auditions are on Dec 5th at Keller Central. There will be a bus providing transportation.
- Winter Guard and Indoor Drumline are starting rehearsals for their competition seasons.
- The Saginaw Holiday parade will be December 7th at 4. The Chisholm Trail Wind Ensemble will march in the parade along with the top bands from Boswell, Saginaw and Eagle Mountain high schools. CTHS drumline will also march in the parade (the percussion section rotates each year). The route has changed, it will begin at Willow Creek and end at the Saginaw Recreation Center.

President Report: Julie Reed, President

Committee Reports: Committee Chairs Reporting

Treasurer Report: Betty Cox, Treasurer

- September's ending balance was \$74,353.18.

Sponsorship Committee: Christine Lamb, Lola Phillips, Sarah Valenzuela, Co-Chairs

- Christina Lamb presented a Sponsorship opportunity flyer for the March to the Beat fun run.

Fundraising: Shawn and Lindsey Wright, Co-Chairs

- The tamale fundraiser is going on now. If each family sells four dozen, it could bring in around \$4,000. The highest seller gets two free tickets to the band banquet.
- Tomorrow is a fundraiser at Pizza Bistro.
- Wednesday is a fundraiser at Red's BBQ. It is all day and they serve breakfast too!

Color Guard:

Equipment:

Uniforms: Veronica Salinas, Chair

Hospitality Report: Brittney Sapien-Vance, Chair

Concession Report: Cory Newby, Chair

- The Birdville marching contest generates enough money to pay band fees for all of their high schools. Follow up with Mr. Doyle and Ms. Rivers about how we could host a marching competition.
- Main Event participates in fundraising and they donate 20% of all sales.

Web Designer: Andrea Felder, Chair

Sales: Kristy Swaim, Chair

Run Committee: Andrea Felder Reporting

- March To The Beat Fun Run is January 25, 2025. The sign up should be available by December 1st. To purchase the Run chip for timing is \$1600. Do we invest in that or just do a fun run? To break even we would need 75 runners at \$40 entry fee. Without the timing chip, we would only charge \$25 entry and need .
 - Andrea Felder motioned that we purchase run timing chip.
 - Christina Winchester seconded

■ Motion passes unanimously (10 yeas)

New Business

- As we end the marching season, please reflect on things that worked well and things that can be improved beginning with registration last spring.
 - Feedback:
 - Why don't we sell merchandise online? We have tried that in the past and we were not getting notified when items are ordered. Also, orders have to be placed in batches (most items have a minimum). When people order single items, it takes too long for them to reach a minimum order number and as a result are not delivered in a timely manner.

Could we buy online and ship directly to the buyer? Andrea Felder will check our website archive for the special order store that was used in the past.

- Per Ms. Rivers, we used a different person to write our show music and drill this year. We received the music in May! This is a huge improvement over past years. In some years, the complete show was not delivered until September or even October.
 - A big shout out to Freshmen parents who have really jumped in to help!
 - Should we have band representatives go to middle school concerts to show parents and students what they have to look forward to?
 - During registration: Many parents liked having kids and parents at the various stations. Many more volunteers are needed for uniform try-ons.
 - Should we have a social for parents on parent night?
 - Section leaders need to communicate to their section (using their group chat) about our band app. The information must get to the parents.
- The Band Banquet will be May 2 or 3, 2025. We pay approx \$2100 for National Hall which includes linens and kitchen use. (Fri \$1700, Sat \$2100) Set up around 3 or 3:30 and we're done at midnight.
 - In the past, we have used a band parent to DJ this event. His fee is \$375 (that is discounted for the band). A different band family has offered to DJ the event for a fee of \$40. This would include a photo booth as well which will save money as well. After floor discussion, the decision to hire the new DJ is made. Julie will contact the previous DJ and let him know, due to significant cost savings, we will use a different DJ this year.
 - Since we will not incur the expense of a photo booth (the new DJ provides this) and we are saving money on the DJ, we may use these extra funds to have a boba or candy bar.

- Bring suggestions for food to the next booster meeting. FYI - Corey does brisket for \$10 -\$12 (approximately) per meal.
- Bring suggestions for a venue to the booster meeting next month. If better options are not presented, we will vote to hold the banquet at National Hall.

Existing Business

Executive Booster positions open for 2025 -2026 school year are:

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer (this position is the most time consuming and the nominee must know Quickbooks)

Committee Chair positions open for the 2025 - 2026 school year are:

Webmaster

Fundraising

- Christina Lamb motioned to adjourn.
- Shawn Wright seconded.
 - Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Upcoming Events:

November

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| 1 | Football game Senior Night vs Polytechnic HS |
| 3 | Jason's Deli Fundraiser (Percussion) |
| 4 | UIL 5A State Marching Contest |
| 4 | Pizza Bistro (Color Guard) |
| 5 | UIL 5A State Marching Contest |
| 8 | Football game @ Saginaw HS |
| 9 | Mountain Mike's Pizza Fundraiser |
| 11 | Booster Meeting |

- 13 Red's BBQ Fundraiser
- 19 Mod Pizza (Percussion)
- 21 Panera Fundraiser (Percussion)

December

- 2 Booster Meeting
- 3 All-Region Phase 1 Brass Auditions @ CTHS
- 4 Bosses Pizza
- 5 All-Region Phase 1 Woodwind Auditions @ Central HS
- 5 Chick-Fil-A Saginaw Fundraiser (Percussion)
- 10 Jazz Holiday Concert
- 11 Qdoba Fundraiser
- 12 Holiday Concert
- 14 All-Region Phase 2 & Ninth Grade Auditions @ Timber Creek HS
- 14 Mountain Mike's Pizza Fundraiser (Percussion)
- 17 Tamale order pick up
- 18 Bosses Pizza (Percussion)

January

- 10 Mountain Mike's Pizza Fundraiser (Percussion)
- 15 Bosses Pizza Fundraiser (Band)
- 22 Bosses Pizza Fundraiser (Percussion)
- 25 Ranger Regiment March to the Beat Run (5K and 1mile)
- 29 Raising Cane's Fundraiser (Indoor Drumline)

February

March

- 7 Mountain Mike's Pizza Fundraiser
- 26 Raising Cane's Fundraiser (Indoor Drumline)

April

- 8-13 Indoor Percussion in Dayton
- 26 Ranger Roundup

May

- 2 or 3 Band Banquet
- 22 Percussion Concert
- 31 Graduation