

9/10/19

The September meeting of The Holt Band Boosters was called to order by booster president, Carol Dalton at 7:02 pm. In attendance were: Jennifer Hinman, Heather McCarty, Stephanie & Michael Crouch, Jill Poyser, Cindy Jenkins, Rita & Sean Witte, Brad Jones, Tom & Jennifer Kortkamp, Mike Dalman, Vicki Strode, Stephanie Struckmann, Carol Dalton, Lisa White, Troy Miller, Jim Cunningham, and Traci, Paul, & Trinity Morlock.

Jill Poyser made a motion to approve the August booster meeting minutes as written and Traci Morlock seconded the motion and the August minutes were submitted as written.

Rita Witte gave the V.P. Report. We will be using Uber or Lyft to transport bus drivers to their hotel this year. Last year, we had a parent volunteer do this, which isn't ideal. Uber & Lyft are both reasonably priced and the board finds this is a cost-efficient solution to having to find a volunteer driver. The cost for the Uber/Lyft trip is approx \$12 each way.

At the previous Thursday night rehearsal, there were some safety traffic issues when the band was marching back to school from the field. To ensure the safety of our students & volunteers, we will now have parent volunteer crossing guards. Guards will wear yellow safety vests and have light wands to direct traffic when the band leaves the field. Guards will be posted at the Soby Field crosswalks, the entrance to Holt parking lot by tennis courts, and the gator with flashing lights will follow the band back to the band room. It is very dark in the area outside of Soby Field and the new gym construction isn't helping traffic or lighting issues.

Please be mindful of pedestrians, marimbas, flute players, etc., when traveling to pick up your children from band rehearsal. The parking situation is complicated & often there are other events at Holt on the same night as rehearsal. Overlapping events make the situation even more dangerous for our students because of increased traffic.

That being said, it would be ideal and appreciated if students would park in the lot behind the band room (North Parking Lot) on Thursday evening. Parents, please drop off your children in the same, back lot if possible.

Traci Morlock gave the uniform report. All uniforms are ready to go. Please have your student check to see if their shoes still fit. At this point, they should know this. If they need shoes they need to let Mr. C, Mr. E, or Traci know ASAP.

Jennifer Hinman gave the treasurer's report. Total deposits were \$8,605. The majority of income, \$6,000 was in student fees and \$1500 from fundraising and spirit wear. Total expenditures for the month were \$12,200. The majority expenses were: \$5,000 for guard uniforms & instruction, \$2,400 spirit wear & fundraising, Uniform cleaning \$ 1,600, Band Camp \$665, and Insurance & Tax Prep \$600.

Cindy Jenkins gave the Scrip Report. Total sales for August were \$21,400. Student accounts earned \$609 and \$166 went to the general band fund.

Jill Poyser gave the pit report. A new hitch was put on the trailer and the trailer is ready to go for Blue Springs. Anyone that can help the pit at competitions or Thursday night rehearsal would be appreciated. Skrim should be in soon.

Carol Dalton gave the fundraising report. Candy bar sales are still ongoing and there will be a MOD Pizza fundraiser on September 19th.

Jim Cunningham gave the director's report. We are patiently waiting for Color Guard uniforms, flags, and skim.

All registration fees should be paid. If you have not done so, please do so immediately. Financial statements will be e-mailed soon.

Due to the ongoing construction of the new gym, the band will not troop as usual to Soby Field. Instead, the band will go through the school building and out front doors of Holt.

Please remind your student to bring a water jug to all Thursday & Sat rehearsals.

Cindy Jenkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rita Witte seconded this motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm.