

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Dripping Springs Band Boosters

Dripping Springs High School, DSHS Band Hall, Dripping Springs, Texas

September 19, 2011

Attendance: Lauren Neugebauer, Jennifer Godwin, Terri Crowell, Cynthia Hill, Julie Pryor, David Brandon, Sue Munns, Donald Danforth Sandy Alvarado, Ellen Carter, Carol Wright, Patricia Tracy, Ruth Jadeja, Mabel Brandenburg, Allen Brandenburg, and several others were present – the sign-in sheet for the general meeting is missing.

Call to Order: The monthly meeting of the Dripping Springs Band Boosters Board was held on Monday, September 19, 2011 at the Dripping Springs High School, DSHS Band Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by Band Booster President, Lauren Neugebauer.

Minutes: The minutes from the August 15, 2011 Dripping Springs Band Booster board meeting were presented. David Brandon made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented; Patricia Tracy seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

President: Lauren Neugebauer reported the following:

- The Band Booster records notebook will soon be kept in the band hall, available for anyone to see who is interested.
- 451 show shirts are now available. A separate adult shirt order will be done. Jae Howard showed a mock-up of the t-shirt artwork.
- For the Friendswood contest, there will be 4 charter buses, with 224 available seats. There are only 3 extra seats. An extra parent charter bus may be arranged if enough parents are interested and if someone steps up to coordinate it.

Parliamentarian: Parliamentarian Sheri McIntire reported that she has reviewed Robert's Rules of Order with regard to the operations of the Band Boosters. She recommended that we continue to conduct our meetings in the relaxed way that suits us, but that we take pains to ensure that when we vote on a money issue, the motion is clearly understood before it is voted on. To do this, either the President or the Secretary should clearly state the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Ellen Carter reported the following:

- The board has appointed Karon Barbee, CPA to do this year's audit, therefore the people who had previously volunteered to be on the audit committee will not need to do it.
- Drumline contest receipts exceed the budgeted \$15,240 – informally, it looks like we will clear at least \$10,000.
- Ellen reviewed the budget and several amendments (see attached copy for details). Donald Danforth asked that the prop trailer pullers be reimbursed for gas if they request it. Ellen asked for an estimate, and Donald said approximately \$500. The Charter Bus/Transportation line item would need to be increased by that amount.
- David Brandon made a motion to approve the budget as amended; Jill Wilcox seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
- There was a discussion about band booster payments to DSISD for bus drivers. The arrangement that we came to with the district in the spring of 2011 was explained.

Historian: Carol Wright reported the following:

- The Smug Mug account has been set up, the cost was \$150 for set-up.
- We got a lot of good local press in advance of the drumline contest. Carol is making thank-you gift photos for the visiting drumline directors.

Percussion: Julie Pryor reported that the drumline contest went very well. Patricia Tracy thanked everyone who volunteered. It was noted that the student volunteers worked very hard.

Concessions: Lauren reported that concessions are going very well and there are lots of volunteers.

Membership: Terri Crowell reported that the high school membership list is pretty much complete. DSMS forms are still coming in. All told, about 200 people have paid voluntary Band Booster dues.

Chaperones: Sandy Alvarado reported that things are going great. Chaperones are fully staffed, but we can always use more help with pit and props. She asked people to please come help at away games and contests. Anyone interested in driving should see Donald Danforth.

Fundraising: David Brandon reported the following:

- The drumline contest sponsorships, air grams and t-shirt sales went well. We won't bother with "rim shots" next year.
- We have received \$160 from the PackMonster fundraiser.
- The 2nd Hill Country Ranch Pizzeria fundraiser will be September 27 and 28, one night for the high school and one night for the middle school.
- We need volunteers to coordinate the silent auction for the Salt Lick event – one to solicit items, and one to do the program.
- Help is welcome if anyone would like to help form rules for web advertising.

Uniforms: Jae Howard reported that it is better if a small group of practiced hands do the plumbing for games and contests, since it is a last-minute, controlled chaos situation. People are encouraged to volunteer to learn the ropes in the uniform room.

Communications: Nothing to report. Please return any volunteer badges that were kept after the drumline contest.

Color Guard: Cynthia Hill reported the following:

- Mr. Woods thanks everyone who worked on prop construction – they look amazing.
- The show is going well, and uniform fitting is progressing.
- There is a TCGC facilities meeting with DSISD Facility Use Supervisor Adam Bernstein scheduled for Sept. 21. Ellen needs to put together a preliminary budget for the spring color guard contest.

HEB Cards: Ruth Jadeja reported that more than \$33,000 in HEB cards were sold this month, which is a record!

In other News: Sue Munns asked everyone to be sure that shoes are clean for contests. There will be a parent volunteer party sometime after the last football game – time and place to be announced.

Patricia Tracy made a motion to adjourn, and David Brandon seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jennifer Godwin
Band Booster Secretary