

Eufaula High School Band Booster Minutes

April 1, 2014

Meeting called to order by: Tammy Brockman

Those present at this meeting:

Kim Allen, Katrina Osbon, Khristina Dees, William Dees, Kathy Brown, Tammy Brockman, Erther Robinson, and Cliff Washburn.

Current Financial Statement: \$2436.24 was our beginning balance \$2910.89 is our ending balance. There are open P.O.s that total \$452.00. Our current balance is \$2458.89

Old Business:

Thank you to everyone that participated in the 5k Tiger Walk/Run. Thank you also to those who helped with putting this event together and hosting.

We need volunteers to help decorate the tables for the Band Banquet on May 12, 2014. Anyone willing to help with this please contact Tammy Brockman. Tammy is going to draw up and order the invitations next week.

We discussed the competition briefly deciding to have the event on Oct. 25, 2014. (*Update*... the date is now Friday, October 17.) The officers will be meeting Tuesday April 8 to stuff envelopes with invitation letters being sent to prospective bands. We will meet a Happy Kitchen at 6pm.

The floor was opened for any nomination for Band Booster Officer Positions, Katrina Osbon was nominated for Secretary. The Nominees are: President: Tammy Brockman unopposed. Vice President: Kim Allen and William Dees. Treasurer: Khristina Dees unopposed. Secretary: Zee Jones and Katrina Osbon. Chaperone Chair: Ertha Robinson unopposed. After ballots were cast the positions for 2014-2015 school year are:

President- Tammy Brockman

Vice President- Kim Allen

Treasurer- Khristina Dees

Secretary- Katrina Osbon

Chaperone Chair- Ertha Robinson

We have two volunteers for parking lot duty for next year, Joey and Arora.

We discussed the possibility of new fundraisers. Because we are pretty much broke, and we have obligations to sponsors to fill that involve painting the trailer and to do that we need money. We have a new fundraiser that would put band director Cliff Washburn in a dunk tank with either Confetti, Gatorade, jello, water, or tomato juice. We will let the kids vote to decide what we should use in the dunk tank. Kiss the pig was discussed again, we are not sure that the Spring Concert is an appropriate event to do this. We are thinking it may be better to do that at one of the first home games during half time next school year. Washburn is supposed to get approval from Mr. Hawkins for us to do this. Again this would involve putting out jars in order to "vote" for who you want to kiss the pig you put money in that person's jars. So far the only volunteers we have to participate are Cliff Washburn and Tammy Brockman. We want to do bagging for bucks we are in complete agreement however that it should be the band members (not parents) to volunteer to help. We also discussed taking groups of band kids downtown to wash windows for donations like with bagging for bucks but on a little bigger scale. This idea is still pending we will look more at it next meeting.

We want to get a uniform shorts and shirt for the kids to wear during events when they do not need to be in full band uniform. They will be able to wear these to competitions, football games, and any other event they participate in as a group during the warmer days of marching season. The cost of these will be taken from the band fee from currently being \$105 to \$140.

Mr. Washburn is going to draft a form to go in next year's school handbook. The form will be for band booster membership. The cost will be \$5 per year just like the athletic boosters and PTO. This entitles that person the right to not only come to all meetings but to vote as well. Every person participating in the band boosters will be required to pay this \$5 fee. We also discussed what to do regarding the parents that did not help or pay their \$50. We need to follow thru with what was discussed at the beginning of the year meeting, if a parent did not sign up to help in some way they will be billed the \$50.00. Between ballgames, fundraiser events, and the banquet there have been plenty of opportunity for parents to wipe out that fee. The collection of these fees will go into a fund to help with the cost of hosting the competition.

There was a great deal of discussion about band camp. Mr. Washburn stated that he may just cut back on the number of kids that he brings in to help. In order to offset the cost of using the Auburn students we voted to have a yard sale the first weekend in June. We have been offered the old goodwill building to hold the yard sale so that we can do it rain or shine. We were told we could also use it to store donated items between now and then for only the cost of the light bill during that time which normally runs around \$30/month. Mr. Washburn will draft a letter to parents and others stating that we will be accepting donations for delivery at that location on Saturdays between 8am-12pm. If they are not able to deliver the donated items we will make arrangements for someone to go and pick them up. We need this to work we need volunteers to help price items as they come in and to work the yard sale the day of. All officers are asked to please be there to help the day of.

This brought up to the subject of duties. The question was brought to Tammy about why chaperones are not required to work the concession stands like the officers are. The answer to that is that they are out there every game taking care of our children. Although we have an amazing group of young men and women they are still teenagers and there has to be (it is required) chaperones to look after them. Therefore it will continue that chaperone chair does not have to work the concession stand. However all other officers must work every home game? Each officer will be given the option in advance to pick out one game that they will not be working. Please be considerate and give us some notice so that we don't have several off on the same night and end up short handed. Obviously in the case of an emergency we will understand. While working in the concession stand everyone gets free fountain drinks however food must be paid for this is how we make our money. If your son or daughter comes and gets food either they or you needs to pay for that food. We cannot afford to be giving it away. If there is food left at the end of the night then by all means take what you want, but during games food must be paid for. Also there are no children allowed in the concession stand, this isn't our rule this is a school board policy. Your child is not supposed to be in the concession stand so please make sure they do not come in the back door. They can meet you at the door or window but they cannot come inside. This was a big issue last year and we have got to be diligent about not allowing them in there. All P.O.s for food for the concession stand have to be turned in no later than Monday. If we order anything we have to have an invoice to turn into the office. We need your help with all of these things. We appreciate each and every person that helps us but we have to do it the right way.

New Business:

We need to get out into our community. We want Eufaula to see where their donation and fundraiser purchases are going. We want to give back to the community instead of just asking for them to buy this or that. The idea of a carnival of some sort was brought up. After discussion we voted and decided to do a "Back to School Bash" the Saturday after school starts back. Which would be August 9, 2014. We will rent out space to vendors for food and such. We want to do things that involve all ages and is open to the public. We would charge for entrance and sell tickets for rides and games. We would like to have a concert in the evening so we will be contacting local artists about possibly performing for us this includes a performance by our jazz band. We would like to use old tiger stadium Washburn will be contacting the school board for approval for this. We are going to print up flyers to put in the teachers boxes at the elementary and primary school to be sent home with each child. The proceeds for this will go towards helping pay for the competition.

We talked about doing calendars like we did the year before last, it was voted on and decided that we would in fact be doing calendars again. Kathy Brown volunteered to put the calendar together. We discussed that sponsors of the calendar may want a presentation to buy an ad if that is the case it was said that our new Drum Major and one other student would make that presentation if so requested. Ads and orders will need to be in by October in order for the calendars to be here by Christmas the proceeds will go into the general fund.

Our priorities at this time are (1) the yard sale (2) back to school bash and (3) the competition. These are the largest events on our agenda at the moment. And we need help from as many parents,

grandparents, sisters, brothers whoever wants to help please feel free to contact any officer about volunteering to help with any of the above items. Meeting adjourned.