

Branham Band Boosters Regular Meeting
September 1, 2011

Held at: Branham Music Room 64

Attendees: *Linda Ho, Karen Flens, Joni Kiefer, Yvette Young, Tom Utic, Diane Wyant, Bob Aron, John Brawn, Ed Radzikowski, Jim Von de Bur, Paul Lee, Brian Ward, Emily Vinik, Beatriz Ballantyne, John Pursey, Mona Ameril, Barry Meyers, John Knight, Tom Wieske, Linda Brogden, Sue Alston, Kathryn Vandiver, Bryan Vandiver, Maggie Huang, James Petzinger*

Meeting was called to order at 7:13 p.m. and began with the introductions of the board and attendees.

1. Update on Preparations for Competition Season:

- ☞ Band – Diane Wyant. Performance progressing well, drill writer to come in possibly 10 times this year vs. 5 times last year.
- ☞ Guard – Brian Ward and Linda Brogden. Waiting for list of equipment and members from Marc in order to solidify. Guard costumes on the way.
Linda Ho to check on status of costumes, gloves and plumes.
- ☞ Operations – Jim Von De Bur. Props being constructed by Tom Kiefer, Bob Aron and Paul Lee.
Jim Von De Bur to review volunteer list and contact additional parents interested in operations.
- ☞ Uniforms – Mary Ann Meyer. Barry Meyer presented update. All students have been fit. Shoes for 5 students were ordered and on the way. Three quarters of the sashes are completed. Plan on attaching sashes to uniforms September 10. Two racks were purchased and modified for the uniforms. Has sufficient volunteers.
- ☞ Student/Travel Support – Karen Flens. Will be using the website “Volunteerspot” to coordinate chaperones for competitions. Missing a few student forms with contact information. Have approved one permission slip form for all 4 performances. A week before competition will issue information via web on details of the competition.
Karen Flens to identify students and re-issue forms. Coordinate with Sue Alston. Sue to provide instructions in newsletter on how to sign up to volunteer.
- ☞ Food – Linda Ho and Yvette Young. Came in under budget for Band Camp. Restaurant Depot prices significantly less than Costco. Will advise on menu and need for volunteers as we near performances.
- ☞ Photography/Homecoming Program Photos – Bob Aron. Group picture will be taken on September 10th in current band t-shirts. Will provide other pictures to Kim Eng. Will need to set date for portrait pictures.
Bob Aron to send information on volunteering to Sue Alston for the newsletter.
Diane Wyant to announce on Thursday, September 8th to students that group picture will be taken on Saturday with band t-shirt.
Linda Ho to remind Diane on Wednesday to make the announcement.
- ☞ Communications – Sue Alston. Plans on issuing newsletter twice a month on Mondays.

2. Status of Spring Band Trip – Diane Wyant. 41 out of 79 students have signed up for the trip. Does not have the right instrumentation for marching. Needs to make decision in the next 10 days on whether or not Victoria trip will happen.

Sue Alston put update in newsletter. Diane, Joy and John Brawn to come up with a survey and contact applicable students.

3. Treasurer's Report/Proposed Budget for 2011 – 2012 – Joni Kiefer and John Brawn. Joni presented current snap shot of budget. John Brawn reviewed the budget. There was a motion by John Brawn to approve the budget as presented, seconded by John Knight. Unanimous vote to pass budget.
4. Fundraising. There was a discussion on upcoming fundraising and the need for chair persons. Explore fundraiser such as Vanguard Bingo, hosting a competition, etc. Fundraising meeting to be at Linda Ho's house on September 8th at 7:30 p.m. Sue to publish on newsletter the upcoming calendar and solicit volunteers and inform of fundraising meeting. Need Coffee Chair.

Open Action Items:

- ☞ Karen F to follow up with Kathy on Jamba Jamboree dates . Insure Price and DMS are informed.
- ☞ Linda H. to talk to Dan Wilbanks on stadium chairs.
- ☞ Linda H or Karen F to invite new Activity Director to next booster meeting.

All action items noted in red.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.