

Buc Band Booster Club Meeting

8-9-2011

Call to order at 7:00 p.m. by Jeff Gilbert

Jeff Gilbert(President)--please sign up tonight to receive e-mails for band functions, and regularly visit bucband.org

Mark Chambly--new trailer is being repaired, painted and built out. The graphics will be added once all of this is done. Please sign up to help.

Kelly Rathbun--chili supper is in January, please sign up to help.

Jeff introduced Dr. Holacka, the new BISD Superintendent. Jeff told her and the booster club that we are the largest group in the district and one of the most successful.

Brian Casey--introduced Daniel Fernandez, the new Clute Intermediate band director, as well as Justin Baker, a student teacher from Texas Tech.

The show this year is called "A View Askew" . Mr. Casey introduced the rest of his staff:

Martin Montoya-this is his 2nd year at Brazoswood

Amy Walden-this is her 5th year and she is a Buc Band alumni

Eric Harper-percussion

Alan Troung-color guard

The drill has been written in-house this year.

Spots-silver team marches most games. Music and marching evaluations are ongoing for spots on blue team.

We have a freshman/senior mentoring program that is going very well.

Shoes will be ordered this Friday. Students needing them should bring a check for \$39.

March-o-rama is Tuesday, August 16. Parents are able to march with their kids.

The complete list of items students are responsible for having is posted on the website. Everyone should now have a camelback for marching practice, a combination lock for lockers, a blue fundamentals book, a lyre and flip folder (for appropriate instruments), a plain black backpack for games, and light-weight long black shorts to be worn under bibbers. Check bucband.org at least a couple of times a week for director announcements.

The spring trip is tentatively scheduled for Feb 1-5 to Orlando. The estimated cost is \$900. a student.

The first fundraiser started Friday. Sales literature has been sent home with students.

Forms have been handed out and need to be turned in. We have about 284 band students plus color guard.

Jeff-We need color guard dads to help with equipment.

We need a volunteer with an F350 to pull the mini-pearl.

Debbie Tyler(Secretary)-April minutes were approved as presented.

Chili's dinner fundraiser night is Wed., August 17. Flyer will be e-mailed to everyone.

We are collecting all types of printer cartridges and old cell phones for recycling as a fundraiser. Place them in the green and white box by Mr. Casey's office.

Daryl Dauer(Treasurer) --our fiscal year is June to May.

The status of our accounts is presented monthly, e-mail Daryl with any questions.

We are a non-profit organization. See Daryl if you need tax exempt forms or deposit money forms.

We are looking for someone to provide CPA services free or for a small fee.

Our books are open and we document everything.

Beth Dauer-Hospitality--the pool party is going on right now.

Tuesday, August 16 is March-o-rama and ice cream social. Freshman, Sophomore and Junior parents will be asked to bring something. Watch your e-mail and bucband.org. Marching rehearsal starts at 5:30.

Saturday, November 19 is the Festival of Lights parade and masquerade.

Please bring small giftcards to welcome our new staff. Place them in locker 339.

If you know any Buc Band alumni, please put them in touch with Amy Walden.

Lynne and John Davies(Lynne is 1st Vice President)--contact info is chaperones@bucband.org.

2011-12 chaperone guide is on bucband.org and has lots of information.

The chaperone orientation meeting is Tuesday, August 23 at 5:40 in the band hall. The chaperones for game and contests take care of student needs and are a liaison between parents and directors. An e-mail will go out each week inviting chaperones to respond usually by Wed. night for that week's game. We can only take 30-40 chaperones so not everyone will get the invitation. You will have a specific job assigned to you. We strongly prefer that you wear band parent shirts so students will easily recognize you. We are responsible for first aid, water, sprite, plumes, gauntlets, poncho's, clean-up, loading and

unloading.

Madeleine Felsted(2nd vice president, fundraising)--we are currently doing a candy/wrapping paper fundraiser, packets have been sent home with students, orders are due by Aug. 24.

The Joe's BBQ sale is in October-proceeds go into the individual kids accounts.

Other on-going fundraiser are SCRIPTS giftcards(on bucband.org) and working concessions at Toyota Center.

Ryan Lindveit wrote a piece, which was performed by the symphonic band. State Farm awarded the district's fine art department \$25,000 in the contest.

Rita DePalatis(food and beverage)--Band Aides

Coordinated by Rita and Rea Gann. Feel free to contact either of us.

Sign up sheets with contact info and times you might be available. (Please don't let the fact that you might not be able to serve the whole time keep you from volunteering. Flexible.)

Band parents who serve as extra eyes and ears for band directors to free them to focus attention to the field and marching practice.

What do they do?

Arrive 20-30 minutes before practice to fill coolers with ice/water to fill/refill camelbacks/waterbottles

Set up chairs inside and outside band hall for students' use when needed

Set up student sign in/out sheets

Set up utility cart with band aide bag* and other things sometimes needed to help students/directors

During practice....help students cool down when overheated, when not feeling well.

Provide cool cloths, ice bags, tylenol, ibuprofen, tums, band aids, etc. (If parent wants student to take personal medication, provide the med in a plastic bag with their name written on it. Include signed permission note and dosage instructions. One for both band aide bag and bag that goes to games/contests. Let us know!)

Monitor students when not on marching field (students need to sign in/out whenever they're not on marching field such as RR breaks, not feeling well, leaving for doc or other appt., leaving for college, etc.)

General assistance when needed (binders, drill sheets, gofers, etc.)

Heat

Most problems tolerating heat related to: **no or not enough water** (Students should drink lots of water at home and camelbacks or at least water bottles are REQUIRED during practice (filled with water and on their person....not left in car, band hall, etc.)

Skipped or no breakfast Should eat complex carbs and protein. Bad choices—pancakes, pop tarts, high fat (stomach upset). Good choices, bananas, whole wheat toast with cheese or peanut butter, eggs, etc.

Wearing black/dark clothing attracts heat of sun. Don't layer clothing.

Other illness or condition colds, etc. Sometimes fighting both this, exercising (marching), and heat is tough. Communication: Let director and us know if there's illness or condition with your student that would affect their marching so that we can better assist them.

Parents please encourage your children to prepare for each day by putting camelback, drill books, other necessities for practice in same place every day so they can "grab and go" and encourage them to eat a good breakfast. Getting enough rest also important.

Applying bug spray/sunscreen Because of students who are hypersensitive to this, do not apply on marching field. Report to band aide station and we'll direct student to designated area for this.

Drop offs/pick ups: Please do not drop off or pick your child up in the portion of the parking lot used as the marching field or the bus lane!!!! Safety issue and equipment issue

Contest Food

BBQ (bbq, buns, various chips, cookies, Sprites, snacks), possibly game meal, or possibly sack lunch from home depending on venue.

No sign up sheet but if available and interested in helping me pick up food, drink, waters, please email me and I'll contact you when needed.

Chaperones help set up and serve at contest but not limited to chaperones. If you're attending contest and want to help, you're very encouraged to do so (to help give very busy chaperones a break).

You're also encouraged to bring your own dinner and come eat with your child.

Game Meals

Sign-up sheet for Game Meal volunteers and contact info.

Game day meal options:

Bring something to school with you—locker

Have someone deliver meal to you after school

Order Game Meals (available to band students, directors, and chaperones)

Restaurants: All Star Pizza, Wurst Haus, Quinzno's

Had request to work with Chick-Fil-A but they can't do what we need to have done for this to work out.

How it works:

Envelopes with check-off menus available in band hall.

Student picks up only the envelope they need each week, writes correct name on envelope, checks off what he/she wants, encloses exact change-cash (WE DO NOT HAVE CHANGE AVAILABLE), seals envelope, and puts it in Locker 301 no later than the end of practice the night before the game.

I and a few helpers collect and sort the envelopes and deliver orders to restaurants. (If student/chaperone miss turning it in on time, they can deliver order themselves to appropriate restaurant later that evening or early next morning and tell them to include in Buc Band order.) Meals are delivered to school on game day and volunteers take to cafeteria where they monitor/help students with pick ups. Student only permitted to pick up his/her own meal to prevent meals going missing.

Garry Gann(Capital Improvements/Set Design)—Sign up to help. Sign up sheets are on the table.

Bob Bowden(PR/Merchandise)—you can buy Buc Band stuff at booster club meetings and at games. Orders from May are in and available tonight.

Bob also sends out the e-mails to the booster club member.

Tammy Cermak(Uniforms)—please pick up a handout concerning uniform care and alterations. Seniors will be altered uniforms this Friday, Saturday is juniors at 9 a.m., sophomores at 10:30, and freshmen at 1:00. Tuesday, 8-16 will be for those who missed previous fittings. All paperwork must be filled out completely and turned in before a uniform can be issued. The pink form with the medical release has to be filled out and turned in before a student is allowed to ride the bus to games. The band fee is \$285. and the activity fee is \$40.(\$30 for those on free and reduced lunch program). These need to be separate checks and need to be turned in when uniform is issued.

When hemming bibbers, **DO NOT** cut them, use velcro, or machine hem. This all ruins them. Solid black soccer shorts(no stripes or design) should be worn under bibbers, as well as a black band shirt. Freshman will be given their shirts Thursday, and extras may be purchased for \$10. each.

Jeff—there is currently no color guard liaison.