

19-20 COUGAR BAND BOOSTER CLUB

Minutes
February 11, 2020
7pm CSHS Band Hall

1. Call to Order - Melissa Garza @ 7:03
2. Review and Approval of Minutes - Motion to approve the minutes made by Hayden Riley & seconded by Jennifer Byroad. The minutes were approved.
3. Financial Report - David Worley
 - a. Monthly financial report
 - i. Assets
 1. Customer Invoices and received checks are both mostly for spring trip
 2. Vendor invoice of \$2,883 is down-payment for next year's marching show & guard uniform
 3. Total equity is currently \$75,250
 - ii. Income
 1. \$1,066 in band fees still being collected
 2. The guard did several independent fundraisers and made \$811 over the year. We will maintain this for them in a separate line item. Under expenses the Guard Fundraising Purchases shows they spent \$382 of this money on rifles.
 3. Guard Income is separate. This is income from their fees to pay for show shirts, gloves, and other supplies for the winter show.
 4. Drums Along the Brazos money continues to trickle in.
 5. Spring Trip income reflects students who have paid for the trip. About half of the students have paid in full; the rest have paid the deposit only.
 6. Spirit Shop income of \$111 is from the winter pop up spirit shop.
 - iii. Expenses
 1. Clinician expense was for Taryn Hairston
 2. Guard sourcing is gloves, flag bags and one set of silks for the winter show
 3. Drums Along the Brazos is the invoice for the awards
 4. Miscellaneous: Pool reservation of \$400 for our Back to School Bash with Consol. They will reimburse us for \$200 of that. We need to add a new line in the budget for this new event next year.
 5. Spring trip expense of \$121 is the deposit for symphony tickets
 - b. Motion to approve financial report was made by Markus Nimocks & seconded by Hayden Riley. Report approved.
4. Booster Volunteers and Committee Reports
 - a. Chaperones (Jennifer Ford): We need a few chaperones for the spring trip. Let Jennifer know if you are interested.
 - b. Uniforms - Cassie Schatz
 - i. All concert uniforms have been assigned except ONE child. All three bands will wear them this year. March 26 is the last time they will wear them, then a smaller group plays at graduation.
 - ii. Marching uniforms will be cleaned over Spring Break
 - iii. We have three volunteers willing to take on uniforms! They will be able to train next year with Cassie before she graduates in 2021.
 - c. Fundraising (Markus Nimocks): MarchA-Thon & DATB are long gone; TCGC is coming soon. After TCGC we will begin corporate sponsorships
 - d. Spirit Shop (Laura Kirk): In March we will go to CCCreations with new designs for next year.
 - e. Events: TCGC! - Lora Nolen & Jamie Murphy
 - i. We host this event with local schools. We need 400 volunteers. ALL volunteers are needed: adults and students. Non-band members can also help. NHS and AVID hours will be counted. Volunteers must be 8th grade or older. Sign ups open up tomorrow; an e-mail will go out tonight. Our volunteer spots are reserved for us until March 3. After that, registration will close. Then it will re-open and we will be able to volunteer for slots for any of the four schools. The more slots we fill, the larger percentage of the profits we keep.
 - f. Props (Brandon Welch): Allen Hold will step into leadership of the props crew for the remainder of the year.
 - g. Guard - Lora Nolen
 - i. At our first contest at Georgetown we ranked 2nd out of 10 teams. Great start!
 - ii. This Saturday is our second competition at Morton Ranch. Performance at 5:25; cost is \$10.
 - h. Publicity (Laura Kirk): Keeping social media and the website updated and handed out a flyer for parent volunteer opportunities at the side by side concert
5. Band Updates - Mr. Seale & Mr. Dixon

- a. Mr. Seale
 - i. Beauty & Beast was great! Good job to Mr. Dixon and all the students
 - ii. The directors and our four All-State students are going to TMEA this week, beginning Wednesday. This is staff development for the directors. For the kids it is rehearsals and a concert, working with very talented directors & clinicians. The concert is at 12:30 on Saturday. These expenses are being covered by the district and boosters. We will treat the kids to a really nice fancy meal.
 - iii. UIL
 - 1. We have a full orchestra with some varsity band students and some orchestra students. They are rehearsing before school and will have a pre-UIL concert on February 23.
 - 2. Our pre-UIL concert will be during the day on March 5. Mr. Seale will get details to us.
 - 3. We will have a clinician from West Texas on March 4.
 - b. Mr. Dixon
 - i. This year's Spring Trip will be April 17-18. A weekend in San Antonio including the San Antonio Symphony with the Guadalupe Dance Company, a day at Six Flags, the Alamo, Rivercenter Mall, and two Bucbee's stops. Details are in the Sunday newsletter. Deposits due Monday, February 17.
 - ii. Next year will be a "big trip" year. We are looking at Chicago over Spring Break, with a symphony, Cubs game, Broadway show. Tentative plan is to fly. More details will be worked out.
6. Old & New Business
- a. Bylaws
 - i. Grammar issues have been cleaned up.
 - ii. Suggestions for changes:
 - 1. Article VI, item 1: Increased amount president can approve for non-budgeted items from \$300 to \$500.
 - 2. Section VII, item 3: We added e-mail to the roster the secretary will keep.
 - 3. Article IX: We officially added Publicity Chair & Spirit Shop Coordinator positions
 - 4. Motion to approve was made by David Worley and seconded by Amanda Martin. Updates to the bylaws were approved.
 - b. Band banquet: coordinators Cassie Schatz & Amanda Martin
 - i. Location: Brazos Expo Center on May 8, at 6:00 pm
 - 1. We've outgrown our space. We need space for 400.
 - 2. The cost will be \$2,900 dollars. That includes the room, tables, stage, audio-video equipment. In addition, we will need to pay for two security guards at \$40 per hour. This is part of the contract because of the size of our event.
 - ii. Food: Texas Country Catering
 - 1. Menu: grilled chicken, salad, green beans, twice baked potato, tea and both devil's food & Italian cream cake. They will also provide servers.
 - iii. Decorations
 - 1. We will be purchasing black tablecloths that we can re-use in future years.
 - 2. The senior leadership will come up with three themes to be voted on by the seniors.
 - 3. We will be making the decor on a budget of \$500
 - iv. Cassie Schatz will coordinate senior recognition
 - 1. Senior parents need to create a board for their senior that is able to fit on a music stand.
 - 2. Senior parents will need to send three photos to Mr. Dixon.
 - 3. An e-mail will be sent out around Spring Break with more detailed instructions.
 - v. Band students are paid for by the boosters. Family & friends pay \$20 per person for the meal. Family members are welcome to attend the banquet at no cost without purchasing the meal.
 - vi. Five Senior Scholarships are awarded at the banquet
 - 1. Any senior who will be attending college can apply
 - 2. Applications are due in the school counselor's office by April 20 at 4:00 p.m.
 - 3. A panel of outside judges who have band experience, but no connection to CSHS will evaluate the applications.
 - c. Leadership for next year.
 - i. Many committees need help! Three executive board positions need filling. Nominations and voting take place at the April meeting. In May there is a joint board meeting with both boards.
 - ii. Contact any board member if you are interested in helping in any way.
7. Adjournment was motioned by Mr. Smith and seconded by James Batenhorst. The meeting adjourned at 7:52