

20-21 COUGAR BAND BOOSTER CLUB

Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2020
7pm via Zoom

1. Call to Order - Lora Nolen @ 7:04pm
2. Review and Approval of Minutes from September 1st 2020 -
 - a. Motion to approve by Hayden Riley
 - b. Seconded by Markus Nimocks
 - c. Minutes were approved
3. Financial Report - David Worley (participants can see via screen share)
 - a. Budget Matters
 - i. Balance sheet this month, as of September 30th: Checking: \$18,532, Savings: \$23,034 Cash: \$576 Total: \$42,142. Paypal: \$17,551 - which is 100% march-a-thon income. Outstanding checks: \$6850
 - ii. Customer Invoices - we will net around \$24K in band fees.
 - b. No questions were raised after thorough explanation. (Further details are represented in the corresponding financial report.)
 - c. Motion to approve financial reports was made by Deann Herring and Allen Hold seconded. Financial report was approved.
4. Band Fees, David Worley explains:
 - a. They will be \$175 for everyone, with \$20 upcharge for Seniors and Juniors for away games. Spring trip balance is
 - b. You'll get an email specifically stating what you will owe.
 - c. Lora Nolen notes that the boosters have worked hard over the past few years to get savings, which is why we have been able to continue to operate despite fees being delayed this year.
1. Booster Volunteers and Committee Reports:
 - a. Chaperones - Leigh Neaves & Laura Kurk
It's a weird year, of course. We have made it through one game this time. We had a mix of props crew and chaperones, there is an unusually large amount of work this time since students are on the field. We are trying to include parents that don't have season tickets, and senior parents, as well as train freshman parents. There will be 2 chaperones going on the away games this year.
 - b. Events - Jamie Murphy & Amanda Martin
We have virtual drums along the brazos this year, virtual. Scheduled for November 14th, taking more registrations this year because we don't have physical restrictions and so we have a wider reach. It's great that we are able to provide this mechanism for feedback for bands, with Covid many bands aren't

getting much feedback from judges, and lack the opportunity to be critiqued. Be looking for information on this coming up.

- c. Fundraising - Markus Nimocks & Hayden Riley
It's going really well, we are actually 10% ahead of where we were last year, which is great. We should be able to count on at least as much from March-a-Thon as we did last year. It was even better that we were able to have a night that included all the kids.
 - d. Guard - Lauren Stoddart
We are starting to talk about the Winter guard program, and should have more about that in the near future. We are concentrating on the current show at the moment.
 - e. Membership - Nancy Bodiford not in attendance this time, update by Lora Nolen
There have been some new students joining, we keep making new water jugs, but no other updates.
 - f. Procurement - Jennifer Byroad & Jennifer Ford
We've got everything lined up for this Friday, we are doing well and have things planned out, all that's left is to execute.
 - g. Publicity - Laura Kurk & Jeanette Madkins
Big push right now is the Drums Along the Brazos. Laura is still looking for upcoming parents that are able to help with this, it's a great opportunity to help the band and she won't be here next year so needs a person to transition to. Lora Nolen adds that the booster bylaws don't specify that adult volunteers have a child in the band.
 - h. Props - Allen Hold & James Batenhorst
Always hilarious, Allen notes that managing parking at this year's Drums Along the Brazos will be really easy. The props crew continues to meet regularly to keep things in shape, they met at the bunker last month which went well, and coming up they will be probably meeting at Harvey Washbangers to wash the towels that are musty.
 - i. Spirit Shop - Deann Herring & Charlotte Hold
Deann explains that the winter shop is open right now, and has a very short window. Closes this coming Monday. Please take a look at what's in there. Hoodies are especially great, and the bundle is a great deal. There are minimums for screen print designs, so we will need to meet those.
 - j. Uniforms - Cassie Schatz & Heather McCulley
Concert gear is packed up and ready to go to the cleaners, whenever the directors think the timing is right. Cassie is training boosters to help her and working towards Senior night.
5. Band Updates - Mr. Seale & Mr. Dixon
- a. Mr Seale:
 - i. Definitely everything is different this year, but we are not taking it for granted that we can do what we are, it's still a great opportunity.
 - ii. This Friday is our first of two away games. We have about 51 kids and 2 chaperones going. Taking 2 buses, masks the whole time. We won't do our halftime show, but we will play in the stands. Great chance to support the football team. He sent an email out this afternoon explaining how to buy a ticket for this game.

- iii. We have Monday off this coming weekend, so we have cancelled Monday practice and moved it to Tuesday. Rehearsals have improved, more focused, and the show preparation is heading in the right direction. He is pleased that the students are able to work hard despite there not being specific competitions coming up.
- iv. Seniors have one final chance to wear their uniforms for Senior night, and if they'd like to take any pictures with them. There will be recognitions at half time for Seniors. If parents can't get a ticket for the game, there will be vouchers for parents for half-time. There should be no issues with not being able to be there if you'd like to be.
- v. We have our district showcase on the 30th, will feature CSHS and Consol doing the marching shows. We will also have the middle school bands there to watch, and to also join for a song. We will be spread out and socially distant on the field and in the stands. There might be limits on how many can fit in the stadium. There is an advantage to doing it at Consol because their stadium is bigger.

6. Old Business / New Business:

- a. Old business - the fees, we covered at the beginning of the meeting.
- b. The requirements for marching - Black pants, all are fine, even Adidas three stripe ones.

7. Adjournment

- a. Motioned by Laura Kurk
- b. Seconded by Allen Hold (after rock/papers/scissors with Deann Herring)
- c. Meeting adjourned at 7:44pm