

20-21 COUGAR BAND BOOSTER CLUB

Meeting Minutes

Jan 12, 2021

7pm via Zoom

1. Call to Order - Lora Nolen @ 7:03
2. Review and Approval of Minutes from November 11 2020.
 - a. Motion to approve - Hayden Riley
 - b. Seconded David Worley
 - c. Minutes were approved
3. Financial Report - David Worley
 - a. Budget Matters
 - i. Some numbers from the report as of 12/31/2020, which covers November and December since we don't meet in December: Checking \$38,306, Savings \$23,035, Cash \$95, Total \$61,436.
 - ii. Customer invoices outstanding (these are outstanding band fees, all but \$800) \$14,578 - we've had ~\$10K come in via paypal, \$6K in via check.
 - b. Fundraising Income Status - \$6470 corporate donations, which is about half of what we usually do, but this is an exceptional year b/c of Covid. Some other sources of income this time are Amazon Smile, the last of march-a-thon (total ~\$27K this year), used flag sales, and some parent donations.
 - c. Expenses - various regular expenses are presented, some notable details:
 - i. We are absorbing the Paypal fees from paying band fees via paypal. They are higher than usual and this is why.
 - ii. Sound system consult for band directors
 - d. In general we are doing pretty good for the year. No questions were raised after thorough explanation (further details are represented in the corresponding financial report).
 - a. Motion to approve financial reports was made by Deann Herring and Hayden Riley seconded. Financial report was approved.
1. Booster Volunteers and Committee Reports:
 - a. Chaperones - Leigh Neaves & Laura Kurk
We trained some new Freshman dads and moms this year, it was a good opportunity, and the fall chaperone needs were well met
 - b. Events - Jamie Murphy & Amanda Martin
We're still waiting to hear what's going to happen with the band banquet. We will do a few things for the 8th graders at the side-by-side concert, and we'll reach out for some volunteers for that.
 - c. Fundraising - Markus Nimocks & Hayden Riley - no updates
 - d. Guard - Lauren Stoddart
Winter guard has been hard at work, thanks for the purchase of the floor and uniforms.
 - e. Membership - Nanci Bodiford
Some new students have arrived for second semester.

- f. Procurement - Jennifer Byroad & Jennifer Ford
The food & snacks were handled throughout the football season as well as the playoff game.
- g. Publicity - Laura Kurk
Still actively looking for some help! If you are willing to work with word press, or graphics for social media, she'd love you to volunteer. Also, senior spotlights are coming up this spring.
- h. Props - Allen Hold & James Batenhorst
They are currently building a boat for winter guard props and they would love help! It's gonna be cool.
- i. Spirit Shop - Deann Herring & Charlotte Hold
Two orders still need to be picked up. We also are going to be selling old merchandise at rock-bottom prices, so watch for those announcements.
- j. Uniforms - Cassie Schatz & Heather McCulley
Concert uniforms are still waiting to be cleaned. Still waiting on washers - the news from Mr Seale is that it will be several years before this is possible, there are some plumbing issues involved.

4. Band Updates - Mr. Seale & Mr. Dixon

- a. The Christmas concert was great - thanks everyone!
- b. Many students did well at Region and will advance to Area.
- c. Normally we have a musical at this time of year, but that's not going this year
- d. We have a side by side concert coming up, where the 8th graders join the wind ensemble students, it's a good exposure to what's coming up in high school band. That's Feb 6th.
- e. Chamber night is coming up, so various ensembles are practicing now, and we are going to perform outdoors at Atlas Lake if the weather permits. This is Feb 12th. This involves all three bands.
- f. Feb 18th and 19th we are going to do a virtual concert, this takes place during the school day, record and live stream.
- g. Night of Percussion Feb 27th, that should be our first indoor concert if all goes well, we are waiting to hear from the district about various covid limitations for the audience. It might need to be ticketed so that we can manage attendance better.
- h. UIL is a little delayed this year, the official date is April 22nd, but it is different because of Covid. We have to have the video recording (three stage pieces + sight reading) uploaded by that date.

5. Old & New Business

- a. We will be sending out a notice to follow up on band membership fees
- b. People have asked about the trip to Chicago that was originally planned for this spring, that is not going to happen, and it is sad. But we are going to be sure that as soon as the district allows we will plan a trip.

6. Adjournment

- a. Motioned Sarah Shafer
- b. Seconded Deanne Herring
- c. Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm