

East Lake High School Band

Band Boosters Meeting Minutes

December 19, 2017

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Attendees:

Linda McElligott, Melinda Abbitt, Jennifer Vigliano, John Burwell, John Fulton, Jennifer Phelps, Cheryl Melidosian, Julie Latorre, Kim Hart, Bill Reeves, Beverly Reeves, Lindsay Noble, Wendy Wilson, Lisa Zeien

Welcome and Introduction:

Lisa began the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Financial Update:

Jennifer updated us on status of marching band fair shares, we have 76% of students paid in full. 84% of the overall money due has been collected because of people who have paid but not in full. There is about \$5,000 outstanding in fair share money.

The Winter Guard fair share amount is in the works. There was an amount given by Erik, but that amount has not been finalized. Percussion also. The number of students was not final, which is needed to know the exact amount. It will be resolved soon.

For the March 3rd event, Bill and Bev Reeves, and Kim Hart went to the meeting about it. They reported that we'll get invoiced for judges, hotel, and meals. We are not able to ask hotel to donate rooms, FFCC takes care of it and we pay for it. We need staffing for tickets, wristbands, water stations, check-in, etc. FFCC will come to one of our meetings to give advice. (We discussed inviting them to our January 9th meeting). Will come again to give us walk through for show. ELHS admin and custodial staff needs to be aware. Sprinklers, lighting, etc. Parking lot lights are off at night, we need them on. At Classic they weren't all on.

Will need many volunteers for ticket sales and concessions. Guard and percussion parents need to volunteer, as well as all band parents should try to help. This benefits all band!! Maybe Tri-M can be guides, etc. They need hours for second semester. We don't let students handle the money. Kids can be food runners for concessions.

Different levels of wrist bands - volunteers, spectators. We can stamp our bands - and we already have plenty of Holiday Inn ones. We are leasing the school property, so we pay school money. We control the event. Called a stand-alone event. We can't sell East Lake merchandise, but can sell FFCC stuff (only 10% we get - they stay here and man it). We can do what we want for vendors. (chick-fil-a, Mookies). We will do credit card sales. At door and link for pre-sales, \$15 or \$10.

Who wants to do program? Ads - can use same form as for Fall. Need to know due date for Ads. Printer needs two weeks. Person putting it together needs two more weeks. One program is free for families, extras can be purchased for \$5.00. They want I-pad check in for the schools to check in, would need wi-fi. There will be a Judge Room - critique room. \$3,000 - \$4,000 estimate for judge expenses (8 judges). Trophies need to be made. Need more than two weeks notice. Can rent black thing to protect floor. It's \$100.

Fundraising Update:

Ideas for fundraisers:

- coupon books, \$30/book. Profit is good. Wondering if football is doing it.
- Tupperware
- Pampered Chef
- Chicken Salad Chik - spirit night w/performance
- Maria - rehearsathon - she was going to email Julie.
- Need ideas/contacts for spirit nights
- Car Wash - kids asked about this. Wouldn't be for fair share - full Booster. John mentioned a car wash a-thon idea. Get sponsors. Teams. Need for equal places - brings in more money than regular car wash. Maybe SunTrust and 5th Third Bank (across street), and two shifts for each location. If we want a trip we need to raise money.

Band News (Mr. Fulton):

Trip - no date yet. Orlando trip would be leaving Saturday morning - perform - go to park - awards celebration - next day go to park, then leave. \$192/student (tix and festival). Maybe stay at Universal Hotel. Bus cost not known yet. Festival happens every weekend. It's a competition.

Jan 13th is MLK parade - we were invited. We lack info on it and what we would play. Take drumlines and some of guard.

Swing & Sweets & Banquet dates working on. Rent lighted sign. Swing & Sweets has to be after March 9th b/c we need stage. Ted Louis Leave is coming to Swing N Sweets. Lakewood HS wants to come. They can sell tickets too.

Jan 20th is Jazz Ensemble.

Jan 27th is Marimba Day - USF (John is out of town that weekend and following weekend).

Wind Ensemble Camp is Feb. 9th. Also a percussion camp or jazz (?) Feed kids pizza - feed clinicians. John could use smoker to feed main meat to judges. Queens pizza family?

Solo and Ensemble is Feb. 16 and 17 at Gibbs (we will probably do 16th). There's a guard thing Feb. 17th (?)

Conert MPA- Wind Ensemble - March 13-15 (asking for 15th).

Jazz Band played last Saturday at Young Lions Jazz Fest - we got \$750 check, it cost us \$150 to be there. Billy's Bicycles played. Billy the Barber feeds people and gives kids new bicycles,

to about 70 families each year. Our kids were paid, and gave it back to Billy. Music was a big hit!

Winter Concert - Robert couldn't come but made a video. He spoke about the music. Maybe he can come another time.

Julie stated that a sign-up genius will go out asking for volunteers to wash uniforms after January 13th.

Lisa Zeien adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.

*****There are at least three Board positions that are/will be vacant soon and need parents to jump in. Spring is when we need to have next year's Board in place in order to get off to a good, organized start when everything begins to get busy in August. Please contact Lisa Zeien or Julie Latorre if you have any interest or questions about any of the Board positions*****