

BHS Band Booster Association Meeting October 11, 2011

A meeting of the Buckhorn High School Band Boosters was held on October 11, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Band Room. Connie Glass, President, presided over the meeting.

I. General Announcements – Connie Glass

- A. Minutes - Minutes from the September 13, 2011, band booster meeting were emailed and parents voted to approve as submitted.
- B. Upcoming Events - An upcoming events handout was provided and will be emailed through Charms. Mr. Souder announced that there will be no rehearsal this Thursday, October 13, due to the AP Awards event. Mr. Martin announced that students may substitute for parents who signed up for this Saturday, October 15th EAA Breakfast. Parents were reminded of the following activities on Friday, October 21st at the end of Fall Break: Full Band Rehearsal 1-3, Break 3-5, Call Time 5:00 p.m. for home game against Sparkman. This is also Senior Night.
- C. CHARMS – Please keep Charms updated with your current contact/email information. Charms is our vehicle for communicating with parents about all band activities. Go directly to www.charmsoffice.com to log in. If you have difficulty logging in to Charms, please contact Connie at connie@elderlawfirm.net or Dawn at dmwacaster@knology.net. Dawn also brings Charms info and passwords to booster meetings.
- D. Upcoming Band Booster Meetings – Tuesday, November 8th and MONDAY, December 12th. Note December meeting change to Monday night because the Band Christmas Concert has been scheduled for Tuesday, December 13th.
- E. Lisa Blay (1st VP) and Terri Ellett (3rd VP) have resigned. Thanks to both for their hard work this Fall. The apparel fundraiser has been completed. The only other big fundraiser will be the Spring Fruit sale and Lisa has volunteered to coordinate again this year. With these important duties resolved, 1st VP and 3rd VP positions will not be replaced.

II. Financial Report – Dawn Wacaster

The Fall Band Fee is \$360 per student. Schedule of payments - \$90 was due by August 25th, \$90 due by September 15th, \$90 due by October 15th, \$90 due by Nov 15th. After football season ends, concession stand and clean-up profits will be entered into the Charms student accounts. The October budget with proposed and actual spending was provided. Reminder that Fall fees must be paid by December 22nd.

III. Old Business – Connie Glass

- A. Proposed By-laws were discussed. Parents were asked to review the Proposed By-laws, emailing suggestions and concerns to Connie in the coming weeks. We will then discuss and hopefully vote at the next meeting, November 8, 2011.
- B. The new www.buckhornband.com site will be up and running by Sunday, October 16th. The first items available will be Upcoming Events, Calendar, and Contact Information. One new feature will be a page for uploading photos and videos.

IV. New Business

- A. Equipment Trailer Committee. Our equipment bus is over 10 years old. If it breaks down, the band is responsible for towing and repairs. Mike Keel has done quite a bit of research on trailers. Parents were asked to speak to Mike after the meeting if they are interested in being on this committee.
- B. Dance Committee. The students have requested a Band Dance to take place in the school cafeteria on Saturday evening, November 5th. Marsha Anderson has volunteered to head the committee. She will need parent volunteers to help decorate, chaperone, provide food, etc. Costs will be offset by a \$5 fee per ticket. Band members may bring a non-band member date.
- C. Ultimate Frisbee. There will be an Ultimate Frisbee tournament at some point during the day on November 5th. More details to come.

V. Director Remarks – Jacob Souder

Mr. Souder thanked parents for their ongoing support. Several parents had questions about the situation that occurred during the Hazel Green game involving the BHS Band, Hazel Green Coach and football players. Mr. Tommy Ledbetter, BHS principal, met with the booster officers last week and stated that the situation was being handled through the appropriate channels. Dr. Terry Davis (Madison County Superintendent), Dr. Sandra Spivey (Madison County Director of Secondary Ed), Mr. Darrell Long (Hazel Green Principal) and Mr. Ledbetter have been working together to resolve this situation. Apology letters were sent by email last week from Mr. Long and Coach Putnam. Mr. Souder has spoken to the band students about this. In future, he and chaperones will ensure that the band does not encroach in football player sideline territory just prior to the halftime performance. If there are any further concerns, Mr. Souder will be glad to address those on an individual basis.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the BHS Band Boosters will take place on Tuesday, November 8, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.