

## BHS Band Booster Association Meeting

November 13, 2012

A meeting of the Buckhorn High School Band Boosters was held on November 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Band room. Mike Keel, President, presided over the meeting.

### I. General Announcements - Mike Keel

A. Minutes – Minutes from the October 16, 2012 booster meeting were emailed and parents voted to approve as submitted. Meeting minutes are posted on the BHS band website under the Parents tab in Documents.

B. Upcoming events – All upcoming events are listed on the BHS band website calendar at [www.buckhornband.com](http://www.buckhornband.com). Of special note, there is a free concert at UAH on 11/14 at 7pm. The UAH and AMC bands will perform the Planets concert. Any student attending can bring their ticket stub to Mr. Souder and have a tic removed.

Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, there will be an after school band rehearsal from 3:15 – 5pm.

Next Tuesday, November 20 will be a full band after school rehearsal from 3:15 – 5pm. There will be no sectionals on this day.

December 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Rocket City Tuba Christmas at the Huntsville Museum of Art. This is for any Tuba family instruments; Tuba, Euphoniums and Baritones. Registration will be at 12:30pm on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and will cost \$5 or \$20 if you want a music book. Rehearsal will be at 1pm and a concert at 3:30. Anyone interested should see Mr. Souder for more details.

December 8<sup>th</sup> the BHS band will march in the New Market Christmas Parade. Call time is 12 pm at New Market Elementary School parking lot. Mr. Souder will let everyone know what they should wear. This is also an ACT testing day, but all students taking the test should still be able to march in the parade and should meet the band at New Market Elementary as soon as possible after the test.

December 13<sup>th</sup> is the BHS Christmas Concert. We will be performing at the Jackson Way Baptist Church on Andrew Jackson Rd. Only the BHS band will be performing at the concert this year. Mr. Souder will let everyone know what the call time will be and what students should wear.

On December 14<sup>th</sup> the band has been invited to perform the Star Spangled Banner at The Havocs hockey game. Mr. Souder will provide more details about this event.

II. Financial Report – Mike Keel read the treasurer’s report on the balance of the band’s accounts. The general band account and concessions account balances were read.

After the EAA breakfast this Saturday, Anne Harris should be able to enter in the remaining credits into Charms accounts and hopefully finish updating Charms accounts by the end of next week.

### III. Officer Reports

A. Marcia Anderson – Our band needs to stay ahead of its growth and as a way of opening up to bigger event fund raising, the band will be sponsoring a Chili Cook-off contest on January 26<sup>th</sup> 2013. We need many volunteers to help and we would like to form committees to help plan and run this event. Please contact Marcia Anderson if you can help with this event. We would like to plan a meeting for all volunteers, so that we can form committees and begin working on this event very soon. Some committees that would be needed are set up, clean up, solicit product, solicit prizes, cooking, etc. Hopefully we will be able to have TV and radio personalities to judge our contest or make an appearance. This will help advertize our event and pull in people from the Huntsville area to our contest. Some of our means of advertizing are through Star 99 radio, the BHS marquee and Facebook. BHS is a possible site for the event, but we would like to find a site that is closer to Huntsville.

Diane Gallagher spoke about the need to do a small event fundraiser quickly to get everyone used to what would be needed to run an event, so that we can do a larger level event in the spring. This fund raiser will set precedence. If it is successful and we raise a lot of money, we will get more people interested in helping the next time.

The money that our band is projected to need next year is \$70,000 - \$100,000. We need a large event to raise that amount of money. The more money that we raise at events like this, the less that will come out of our pockets. If this event is successful, people will want to come back. There could be spinoffs to this fund raiser, for example, cookbook sales. We need to make sure there is enough money to make sure the kids have opportunities for the band to expand. We are working on concerns about the lack of parental involvement within the band. The work load needs to be fair. We will address this issue later in the year.

Mike talked about looking at other large band programs to possibly model our program after.

B. Jennifer Edwards- She is considering being the Concessions Vice President again next year. We are selling left over concessions stand items. There are cases of bottled soft drinks, candy, nacho cheese, etc. left over. If you are interested in purchasing any of these items contact Jennifer. We could return some of the unopened items, but the Coke driver’s paycheck would

be docked, so we will try and sell them first. Some items might be sold to Locust Grove Upward's program for an upcoming basketball season.

There will be a cleanup day to close up the concession stand for the season this Saturday, November 17th at 9am. Please consider helping with this task. The concession stand was left in really good condition last year. There were no rodents or bugs in the stand when we opened it this fall and we would really like to leave it in the same condition this year.

C. Phil Harris – Cookie dough orders have been turned in and should arrive at the school after Thanksgiving. We sold 404 items and paid the company \$6060. Our profit was \$2400, not including online orders.

Phil sent out an email about the 2<sup>nd</sup> Fan Cloth order. Orders should be turned in on November 16<sup>th</sup>, with November 19<sup>th</sup> being the absolute latest date for turning in orders. We have to turn in our order to Fan Cloth a little early because of the volume of business they are experiencing currently. Our orders should be returned to us around December 20<sup>th</sup>.

Mike thanked all the parents for their hard work.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next Booster meeting will be December 11, 2012 at 6:30pm.