



Huntley Band Booster Agenda August 13, 2024 @ 7:00pm

Deanna Reeves, Matt Pontious, Joya Morales, Mike Espisito, Michelle Clifford, Heather Davis, Tyler Guthrie, Leah Novak, Gaby Gatti, Anne Moersfolder,

Called to order 7:00

Congratulations to Mr. G!!! So excited to have you! All the kids are excited to have you and we are glad you are here.

1. Treasurer Report Sarah is not here. Any questions? We still have money from last year. When Mr. G gets settled, we will get his list.

2. Executive Board

- **Approve the July meeting minutes** Matt motioned to approve. Deanna seconded.

3. Director Update I'm really excited! Thanks for the kind words! It will be nice to be with the kids. When I want to buy something, who do I contact? Deanna-3 quotes with the why. The president can approve it if it's under \$250. Sarah will let you know about how much money we have. I have 2 small-scoops under the drum that need to be replaced.. Deanna, Danny charged everyone extra to replace stuff, or we can figure it out. Do we still have the Disney Music Lyres? Anne, some are in the Booster closet. Leah, we are going to ask the kids tomorrow. The kids were supposed to turn them in. The choir director asked me to ask about a fundraiser about individual student accounts. If that happened, she wanted to know how. Deanna-for Disney, we had a spreadsheet. It is not ideal. Danny really wanted student accounts; we had many conversations. Lou's could be used for accounts. Danny wanted that, but this is the first time we were in a place to have extra. That was a decision made by a couple people. Matt-excel will not work. Some of the programs are expensive. Leah, some companies will give you a breakdown by students. Deanna, so far we don't have support from parents. We may not have as successful of a year going forward. Deanna, we will probably need to reimburse the money. Matt, it was hard to navigate the Webstore. Michelle, I was in between-I just tallied. I liked having the money go to fees. Michelle, doing the fundraiser at the end for parents is good. Leah, anything about potential trips, field trips to help pay...the flock I got was specifically for Disney. Kriv signed us up to help raise money. We included orchestra and choir. 100% of the earnings went to kids. Joya, Danny wanted accounts for future trips. Deanna, people complain about not having fundraisers for the kids, but where are those parents to help? Gaby, we got no information about the fundraisers. As a mom, freshman last year-as a new mom-there was like a barage of information. Deanna, I can understand. Last year we had a few

meetings. Leah, I have all the email lists, including 8th grade lists. Joya-there is so much information! We have done weekly emails, the Band App...Leah, my job is getting bigger-now I'm assistant activities director for Fine Arts. I'll be the contact for all Fine Arts. Tyler and I have talked about how parents want a calendar. I have been talking to our communications department. When you click on Band, the first thing you see will be the calendar. It will be a Google calendar. Deanna, it was Danny's calendar. We also need a link to the Booster website. Mike, you need a central link. Leah, YES! Gaby, I use the Band App calendar. Tyler-I signed a contract to be paid for writing drill. And if that is not something we want in the future=I don't want people to feel weird about the director writing, that is fine. Last one, we need to talk about props. My first interaction with a teacher today was props. Leah, I just talked to Belin. He was talking about concrete. Deanna, after we can talk more.

4. VP Ways & Means Update We all know that Carrie stepped down. Any volunteers? Carrie-we have 2 confirmation: Rookies and Instrument Barn. Rookies asked if the drum line could play outside before Bears games. Deanna-I think we can do that.. Mike, color guard can perform, too. We need new decals for signs and the back of the trailer. I got an email from Lorrie Woods, if there are other vendors we will have a process. We really need someone to step up. We are all here to help!! Mike is willing to possibly take over. Deanna, we can talk after.

5. Operations Update We have the bases. Storage crisis! We have props in 3 different places. I took a frame to measure with the vinyl. They don't fit the frames. They are fabric, not vinyl. We will figure this out this week. We ordered the trucks. We think we have a way to load.

Committees: *update from committee leaders/Representative Board Members*

- **Website (Josh/Matt)** Director has been updated. Josh has a guy. I will follow up since Sarah had surgery.
- **Sponsorship Program (Carrie)**
- **Band Meals (Joya)** Meals went very well!!! Thanks to everyone who was on the Meal Maestros. I have a few items to return, but I think we were very close to budget. The team talked about sending out a survey to the students to gauge what their favorite meals were and to ask for any new ideas. We will meet in late April/early May to plan for next summer. Anyone is welcome to join our group!
- **Uniforms (Anne)** fittings went well. Everyone was done in 3 days. The new ladder is amazing. We have the shoes organized. Leah, do we need to do ladder training? Deanna, let us know.
- **Spirit wear (Deanna)** We extended to Wednesday. We should still have our show shirts on time. Leah will post in Raider Times in November. Mike, thanks for the extra sizes. Michelle, thanks for the v neck and tall!!! Deanna, I didn't do car decals. I will look into that.

Casey will do wooden ornaments and earrings.

- **Scholarships (Josh)**

6. Discussion Items

- **Open Position – VP Ways & Means**
- **Photography for Marching Band**
- **Homecoming** Homecoming signs have been bought and ordered!
- **Senior Night** Caron Prettyman is requesting info. Last year we paid for senior banners. Her worry is asking for donations from the local businesses after we have done the sponsorship drive. I love that we can buy the yard signs, and we can give kids a nice gift. We need to be careful on how much we spend. We increased the budget last year. Just because it is a nice thing, that is not our purpose. If we don't get help with fundraising, then some of these things will need to be cut. Our goal is to enhance the program. We can't extend the budget just for gifts. I can talk to Caron on that. Tyler, will get a list of seniors.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50. Matt seconded the motion.

7. Upcoming Events

- **(8/9) First Day of School**
- **(8/23) Fall Sports Kick Off**

Next Meeting: September 10, 2024 @ 7pm HHS Band Room