

Minutes for Monthly Ridge Point Band Booster Club Meeting: September 10, 2018

Board President (Wallace) called meeting to order at 6:32p.m.

In attendance: Kathleen Alcorn, Tracy Alexander, John Hurter, Stephanie Peitsch, Michael Beckelman, Rachel Wallace, Nisha Shah, Christy Stephens, Linda DiPaola, Frank Mauricio, Mary Mauricio, Simonette Wolf, Luis Saldana, Greg Davis, Mr. Banos, Melannie Boullion

Approval of previous meeting minutes:

Alexander moved that the Board approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Alcon was the seconder. The motion passed.

Board Reports

President (Wallace)

- Plans are being made to reach out to the feeder Middle Schools to make current eighth graders aware of spring new band member dates, summer camp dates, Disney Trip in 2020, etc. early in the school year.
- Plans are being made to make the Jazz Valentine's Desert/Dance and Jazz on the Hill events much larger. Discussion followed about including a photo booth and possibly food trucks.

Vice President (Alexander)

- Ridge Point Band will support bringing awareness to childhood cancer on "Go Gold Night". The band and guard is also honoring band families who have been affected by childhood cancer at the football game on September 15, 2018 by wearing yellow ribbons on their uniforms.
- Middle School Band Night is September 28, 2018. RTMS, BMS, as well as students from QVMS and FCMS that will attend RPHS are invited to attend. Middle school students will meet at 3 p.m. and eat then ride with the game with RPHS band members. Middle school students will be picked up after half time. Middle schoolers will possibly stand on the field and perform a song with the band while forming RP on the field. Parents from RTMS, BMS, QVMS, and FCMS will be asked to chaperone to experience an evening with the high school band. This will be a perfect time to recruit future band members and volunteers.

Treasurers Report (Shah/Alcorn)

- Current year inflow is \$55,473.50, outflow is \$10,248.40 and net amount is \$32,156.32 as of July 31, 2018.
- 12 band members and 8 guard members have outstanding dues.
- Shah thanked the Audit Committee for their work on August 10, 2018.

- Check approvals:
 - Weekly payments for the pizza fundraiser (Papa John's - Houston Pizza Venture, LP) will begin September 5, 2018 and end May 2019 not to exceed \$1,450. This payment will include the cost of 200 pizzas and a \$20 tip. The payments will be bi-weekly for no more than \$2,900. The check will be made out to either Houston Pizza Venture, LP or Papa John's. This is budgeted, but exceeds by \$500. **Beckelman motions to approve payments of no more than \$2,900 bi-weekly to Houston Pizza Venture, LP or Papa John's. Alexander was the seconder. The motion passed.**
- E-motions to ratify:
 - Passed 8/4/18: \$799.36 for 64 Snark Tuners purchased from Sweetwater. Check made out to Rachel Wallace as reimbursement for a credit card payment. In budget.
 - Passed 8/9/18: \$1,000.00 to Jordan Garza for percussion arrangement. The boosters are paying \$1,000.00 of the fee with the balance being paid with Mr. Saldana's budget. In budget.
 - Passed 8/13/18: \$1,395.00 to Embroid Me for jackets and t-shirts - part of the Guard uniform. In budget.
 - Passed 8/24/18: 10 items
 - \$1,280.00 to Make music for Smart Music subscriptions. In budget
 - \$2,074.00 to Leonetti Graphics for show shirts. In budget
 - \$1,014.00 to Leonetti Graphics for uniform shorts. In budget
 - \$1,044.00 to Leonetti Graphics for Roadie shirts, Mom shirts, and hats In budget.
 - \$2,308.50 to Leonetti Graphics for Fan shirts. In budget.
 - \$1,654.35 to Tote Unlimited for marching shoes. In budget.
 - An amount not to exceed \$1,150.00 for a refurbished MacBook to run Mainstage which is used to produce electronic sounds for the marching show. It can only run through a MacBook. (\$1,150.00 left in the amount budgeted for Drum Major Camp that will be used to cover the cost)
 - \$600.00 to Beno Morris (Morris Audio Consulting) to set up the electronics to run through Mainstage. (\$750.00 in the budget allocated for Tents/Cart/Sound/Cooling to used to cover the cost; **will use Drum Major Camp & Smart Music excess for this instead**)
 - \$859.55 to Pender's Music Co. for music books for the students. In budget.
 - \$1,250.00 to Ultimate Drill Book for dot books. In budget.

- Passed 8/28/18: \$572.66 for gloves purchased from Demoulin. Check made to Kathleen Alcorn as a reimbursement for a cc pmt. In Budget.
- Passed 8/30/18: 2 items:
 - \$4,800.00 to Georgie Girl Costumes for a 50% deposit for Guard costumes. In budget.
 - An amount not to exceed \$1,450.00 per week for the first two weeks of the pizza sale fundraiser (Aug 22 & 29, 2018.) This will cover the cost of 200 pizzas and a \$20 tip. We will be paying bi-weekly, so the first check will be for no more than \$2,900.00. It will be made out to either Houston Pizza Venture, LP or Papa John's. In budget.
- Passed 8/31/18: \$540.00 for Online Quickbooks Subscription. Check will be made out to Nisha Shah as reimbursement for a cc pmt. In budget.
- Passed 9/5/18: 7 items all for summer band clinicians:
 - a. \$2,400.00 to Walter Johnson for 60 hours at \$40/hr. In budget.
 - b. \$1,760.00 to Christine Murphy for 44 hours at \$40/hr. In budget.
 - c. \$1,760.00 to Eleanor Parker for 44 hours at \$40/hr. In budget.
 - d. \$640.00 to Ethan Gula for 16 hours at \$40/hr. In budget.
 - e. \$480.00 to Jason Finnels for 12 hours at \$40/hr. In budget.
 - f. \$1,600.00 to Lamar Boulet for 40 hours at \$40/hr. In budget.
 - g. \$1,600.00 to Ryan Rongone for 40 hours at \$40/hr. In budget.
- **Wallace moved to ratify all E-motions on agenda. Beckelman is the seconder. Motion passed.**

Directors Report (Saldana/Davis/Banos)

- Saldana reports that show preparations are going as planned. The new electronics system is set up and wired professionally. All props are put together. Tarps will be purchased to cover the front of the props.
- Ideas about taking the band on a weekend trip to South Padre or a day trip to Galveston the last weekend of April were discussed. The South Padre trip would involve leaving on a Friday and coming back late Sunday evening, at a cost not to exceed \$400. A Galveston trip would involve leaving early on a Saturday morning and arriving late the same night at a cost not to exceed \$100. After some discussion, it was decided to move forward with the Galveston day trip.
- Ridge Point and Clements are cohosting the UIL competition on October 23, 2018 at Hall stadium. Elkins will help as well. 13 parents are needed to volunteer for this. Students will also help.
- The Dekaney game (September 15, 2018) itinerary had been sent out and Saldana explained itinerary.

- There was discussion from Booster members and Directors about pit crew and props.
- Saldana formerly introduced Mr. Banos to the Boosters.

Committee Reports:

Merchandise (Wolf/Barriga)

- Polo shirts are coming in soon. Hoodies and long sleeve shirts are on the horizon. Guard and Band mom hats are also upcoming. Working with Directors for 8th grade t-shirts for Middle School Band Night on September 28, 2018.

Garters (Beckelman/Benson)

- There will be at least two more garter making sessions. Contact Jennifer Beckelman 832-250-3352 or Stacey Benson 937-626-1121 to volunteer.

Uniforms (Ray/DiPaola)

- The August fittings had a wonderful volunteer turnout and went well.
- There is still labeling and organizing work to be done.
- Concert uniform fittings will be November 10, 2018, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sponsorship

- Sponsor list: Gee Eye Care, Canes, Chick-Fil-A Sienna Crossing, Balanced Body Image, Dr. Steven Lieberman--That Foot Guy, Elaine Hatton Real Estate, SPAH, My Beauty Floors, Sara Appliance, Scott & Jane, River Point Church Miss City, Inspired Floors, Christian Brothers, Dr. Von Beckman, HEB, and the following families: Tibbs, Elizondo-Collado, O'Nan, Shafley, Tonsberg, Wolf, Ruben, Gaither, Ortiz, and Hory.
- Sponsorship plaques are being ordered and committee will begin passing out swag bags to sponsors in late September or early October.
- Alexander is following up on getting current sponsors on the band trailer.
- 15 corporate sponsors and 10 family sponsors raised \$15,000. There were in-kind services and good donations of \$2,500. This totals \$17,500 raised.

Pizza Sales

- Jennifer Beckelman is the new Pizza Sales Chairperson. The last two sales were sold out and the number of pizzas ordered is steadily increasing.
- Volunteers are always welcomed and needed.
- This is the largest fundraiser of the year.

Website (Waters/DiPaola)

- No current news.

Chaperones (Castillo/Mauricio)

- No current news.

Pit Crew (Mauricio)

- Loading and Pit Crew timing and safety concerns were answered by Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m. Next meeting is Tuesday, October 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the band hall.

Minutes taken and typed by Melannie Boullion

Minutes approved: R Wallace Date: 10/1/18