

Ridge Point Band Boosters
Monthly Board Meeting - Virtual
March 9, 2021 @ 6:30pm

MINUTES

Board Present:

President	Brenda Prezas
Vice President	Monica Ray
Treasurer	Kristen Belbin
Asst. Treasurer	Simonette Wolf
Communications Director	Kristen Blomstrom
Secretary	Heather Sanderson
Parliamentarian	Shanda Guillory-McClure
Member-At-Large	Mary Blanchard
Member-At-Large	Seema Weinig – not present

Board Not Available:

Seema Weinig

Directors:

Luis Saldaña

Other Attendees: Betsy Clark, Betty Yavar, Stephanie Peitsch, Nick DiPaola, Linda DiPaola, Lanie Hauschel, Linda Gaither, Nisha Shah, Michelle Ruben

Call to Order (Prezas)

- Called meeting to order at 6:35pm.
- Approval of 02/02/21 Meeting Minutes. Kristen Belbin motioned. Kristen Blomstrom seconded. Meeting minutes were approved.

Board Reports

Directors (Saldaña/Burson/Baños)

- Planning to have a livestream concert event in April for Pre-UIL. Mr. Saldana is planning to take reservations for seats in the auditorium, with senior parents receiving priority.
- Props & New Generator for Fall 2021
 - Booster Club set aside \$6000 for props (Fall 2020) that will now be used in Fall 2021.
 - Mr. Saldaña has the \$4,000 - \$5,000 set aside in this year's District Budget to purchase the generator before June 2021. Must be purchased through an FBISD Vendor. Lowe's would be the only vendor that could order this for us through FBISD.

- Issue: Lowe's no longer carries (Honda EU7000is), the generator that is needed to power band's equipment. It only has generators up to 3k watts max. Generators are also in high demand right now and difficult to find for purchase.
- Solution: Purchase materials to build props with district budget and have RPBB order the Honda EU7000is Generator or the Yamaha Inverter Generator 6300 since the booster club can purchase it from any vendor. It is estimated to cost \$5,000. Shipping may be additional \$200-300 depending on where we can find it. Mr. Saldana would like to have this before school ends this year. If anyone has leads for a place to purchase these, please let Mr. Saldana know.
- Once we purchase, the ownership of the generator must be transferred to the school district in order to be covered by insurance, but it will only be used by the RP Band.

President (Prezas)

- 2021-22 Budget expected to be completed within 7-10 days. It will be made available to general membership for review prior to April voting.
- April General Membership voting for Board and Budget will be completed by Jotform, as it was last year. The board agreed this would be the best way to handle voting.
 - Per bylaws (Article IV, Section 3): For General Membership meetings, a quorum is considered to be present when there is a quorum of the Executive Board officers plus 10 voting members from the members- at-large in attendance.
- Awards Ceremony - currently scheduled to be virtual as this is the safest and most inclusive option for all band & guard students.
 - Is an outdoor awards ceremony possible similar to the outdoor concert we had? Mr. Saldana thinks this is possible as long as we don't serve food or have it indoors. Mr. Saldana will present the ideas to Mr. Brogan for his approval.

Vice President (Ray)

- Update on photographs project: We are seeing if we got pictures of all students and will ensure all students have an opportunity to get their pictures taken. If anyone knows how to make a composite of the pictures, please let Monica know. Shanda's son may be able to help with this, so she will let Monica know if he can.
- Monica is beginning Senior Spotlights in the newsletters and using the pictures that were taken.
- Linda DiPaola is working on a senior video to be shown at the awards ceremony.
- We will not be organizing a band book this year.

Treasurers Report (Belbin/Wolf)

- Financial review statements for February 2021 were completed and sent to the Board for review.
- Percussion Jackets - Per Mr. Banos, there will be 11 jackets at \$85.65 each for a total of approximately \$945.45. Mr. Banos is waiting for the invoice to get an e-motion for approval.

- Band fees still due - Outstanding fees as of 3/9/2021 are a total of \$1,440. Mr. Saldana will be contacting parents at this point.
- Budget for 2021-2022 - Kristen suggests that we make two budgets, regular and COVID versions.
- CPA Fee – paid (see below)

Check Approvals/E-motions To Ratify

- Passed 02/08/21. Form 990-EZ and Form 8879-EO have been updated. These are for the tax year ending on 4/30/2020. After approval, forms will be sent to CPA for filing. There are no costs at this time. There will be payment due to the CPA for her services which will come later.
- Passed 02/12/21. Payment to Joanne Gore, CPA in amount of \$556.00 for preparing and filing RPBB 2019 tax return.
- Brenda Prezas motioned to ratify. Kristen Belbin seconded. The motion passed to ratify the e-motions.

Communications Report (Blomstrom)

None

Parliamentarian (Guillory-McClure)

- Current Board Nominations for 2021-22 are as follows:
 - President—Brenda Prezas
 - Vice President—Monica Ray
 - Secretary—Open
 - Treasurer—Kristen Belbin
 - Assistant Treasurer—Open
 - Parliamentarian—Shanda Guillory-McClure
 - Communications—Open
 - Members-at-Large—Mary Blanchard, Seema Weinig
- Nominations for the 3 open Board positions are continuing to be accepted and reviewed. Monica will share on social media and Mr. Saldana will share through Remind. Mr. Saldana may have someone interested in the Assistant Treasurer position.

Secretary (Sanderson)

None

Member-at-Large (Blanchard/Weinig)

None

Committee Reports

Awards Ceremony (Guillory-McClure)

- It will probably be held in early to mid-May. Mr. Saldana will see if we can schedule it May 15th. He will also ask if we can use Hall Stadium.
- Currently researching ideas to make this event fun!
 - Decorations
 - Swag bags
 - Senior gifts
 - Keepsake momentos for seniors. Make this an annual tradition.
 - Packaged cookies
 - Personalized coffee mugs
- Shanda will advertise for help with organizing this.

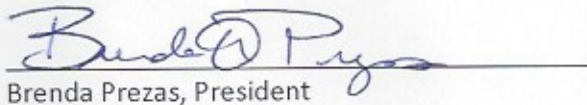
New Business

None

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.
- Next board meeting is set for April 6, 2021 at 6:30 pm via Zoom.

Minutes typed by Heather Sanderson


Brenda Prezas, President