

Ridge Point Band Boosters
Monthly Board Meeting - Virtual
October 6, 2020 @ 6:30pm

MINUTES

Board Present:

President	Brenda Prezas
Vice President	Open Position
Treasurer	Kristen Belbin
Asst. Treasurer	Simonette Wolf
Communications Director	Kristen Blomstrom
Secretary	Heather Sanderson
Parliamentarian	Stephanie Peitsch
Member-At-Large	Mary Blanchard
Member-At-Large	Seema Weing

Board Not Available:

All present

Directors:

Luis Saldaña

Other Attendees: Nick and Linda DiPaola, Alka Parekh, Betsy Clark, Linda Gaither, Scott White, Michelle Ruben, Sara Nguyen, Nisha Shah, Diem Pham, Corrie Da Vera Cruz, Beatriz Collado, Paula Chrysong, Tootie Blanchard, Monica Ray

Call to Order (Prezas)

- Called meeting to order at 6:34pm.
- Approval of 9/2/20 Meeting Minutes. Kristen Belbin motioned. Simonette Wolf seconded. Minutes approved.

Board Reports

Directors (Saldaña/Burson/Baños)

1) Reimbursement checks to Mr. Saldaña for the following supplies:

- Spike Tape
(for marking Social Distancing in the Band Hall) from Techland Houston for \$29.70
- Repair Supplies
(nuts, bolts, duct tape for band hall furniture) from Home Depot for \$19.69
- Painters Tape
(for marking Social Distancing in the Band hall) from Home Depot for \$23.58

- Marking Paint for Practice Field from Home Depot for \$84.86
- Umbrella, Tripod, HDMI Adapter, Aux Cable (for Virtual Streaming Rehearsals) from Amazon for \$100.21
- Camcorder & SD Card (for Virtual Streaming Rehearsals) from Amazon for \$213.89
- Total of expenses is \$471.93. Falls under incidentals budget and does not need to be approved.

2) RPBB will purchase additional masks for students to purchase if they lose or would like additional masks. First two sets are free of charge to the students and are paid for from district funds.

- 250 "musician masks" from Field and Floor FX (Graphcom) for amount not to exceed \$2,200.00. Will come out of the props budget. Brenda Prezas motioned. Kristen Belbin seconded. Motion passed.

3) Purchase New DM Podiums

- The podiums are more expensive than we thought due to needing a larger size. We need two of these <https://www.mccormicksnet.com/Jarvis-Podium-p/8008400.htm>. Approximately \$2,700 including shipping. Vote for amount not to exceed \$2910 to cover any additional expenses. Kristen Belbin motioned. Simonette seconded. Motion passed.

Parents of students that need to ride the bus to games are required to sign a FBISD waiver.

President (Prezas)

- Homecoming Parade: Parent-organized event on Sunday, October 18th at 3:30pm. Seema Weinig and Claudia Lara have volunteered to be parent coordinators for the Band & Guard. Students will all ride in cars.
- Trunk-or-Treat: Monday, October 26th at 6:00pm. Mary and Tootie Blanchard are organizing. Parents and volunteers will use their vehicle or a table. After sign ups, you'll be assigned to a parking space to ensure social distancing. The students will be in vehicles also instead of walking around. Masks required.
- Senior Pinning: Saturday, November 28th at 11:00am before the football game vs. Bush. Monica Ray is coordinating. Each senior will be allowed two family members as escorts onto the field. Monica will send out a form to gather student information, and Monica will set up a parent meeting for senior parents.
- Board Vacancy: Vice President. Per bylaws, President is responsible for filling this position and the person will be announced at the next board meeting. Anticipate the position will be filled soon.
- Committee positions still needing to be filled: Band Banquet.

Vice President

Open position

Treasurers Report (Belbin/Wolf)

- Kristen Belbin is waiting on feedback from Mr. Saldaña regarding band fees relating to the Blue Books and SM Microphones. There were discrepancies between the JotForm reports and what she received from Mr. Saldaña. Mr. Saldaña will get that information to Kristen so that she can inform parents of money they owe.
- We now have a SmartVault Client Portal with our CPA, Joanne Gore. This is a new and safe way to share files rather than through email.
- The 2019-2020 Financial Audit is complete. Kristen Belbin provided this information to FBISD's auditor and Joanne Gore this week.

Financial Review—Kristen Belbin emailed to board members for review today.

Check approvals

- Reimburse Betty Yavar \$2,331.00 for payment to Leonetti Graphics, Inc. for purchase of 2020-21 RP Band and Guard sponsor shirts. This is in budget and will come out of the "Uniforms for marching season" section. Mary Blanchard motioned. Brenda Prezas seconded. Motion passed.

E motions To Ratify

- Passed 09/22/2020. Donation to Fishers of Men Lutheran Church in amount of \$100 for use of facility for RPBB audit on 09/26/2020. This was not originally on approved budget for 2020-2021 and will be taken out of the boosters' fund. Mary Blanchard motioned. Kristen Belbin seconded. Motion passed.

Communications Report (Blomstrom)

Event Coordinators will provide information to Kristin Blomstrom regarding the Homecoming parade and the Trunk-or-Treat to include in the newsletter this week.

Parliamentarian (Peitsch)

None

Secretary (Sanderson)

None

Member-at-Large (Blanchard/Weinig)

See info shared in the President's section regarding Trunk-or-Treat and the Homecoming Parade.

Committee Reports

None

New Business

Only students with the largest instruments will be assigned band lockers to maintain better social distancing. Students with smaller instruments will be required to take instruments to classes all day. Board members and parents expressed concerns about the security of expensive instruments being carried around school all day.

Per Mr. Saldaña, we should be able to hand out leis at homecoming if we maintain proper social distancing while doing so.

We will need chaperones for the football games, but we are unsure of how many with less students riding the bus.

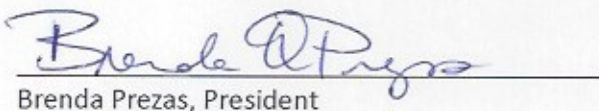
The band will participate in all football games from Homecoming forward because these are all district games being played in FBISD stadiums.

For Senior Pinning, seniors may be able to wear uniform jackets, black show shirt, and dark pants. Linda DiPaola has parents who are willing to volunteer to help with fitting and cleaning. Mr. Saldaña will speak with the Fine Arts Director and Mr. Brogan to obtain permission.

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.
- Next board meeting is set for Tuesday, December 1, 2020 at 6:30 pm via Zoom. We will skip the November meeting due to it falling on Election Day, unless issues arise that we need to discuss.

Minutes typed by Heather Sanderson


Brenda Prezas, President