



Huntsville High School Board Parent Association
Board Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2023

The Huntsville High School Band Parent Association Board met on July 12, 2023 in the HHS Band Room. The following board members were present: Kelly Parrish (President), Brenda Tapia (Co-Treasurer), Joe Rist (Secretary), Jaime Davis (1st Vice President – Volunteers), Lisa Allport (2nd Vice President – Fundraising), Michelle McNabb (2nd Vice President – Fundraising), Michelle Vice (Uniforms), Kerri Thomas (Uniforms), Karen Hansberger (Trip Coordinator), Les Skulski (Trucks/Equipment), David Anderson (Co-Media Chair), Deanna Anderson (Newsletter), Pam Rogers (Color Guard Liason), Stuart Tankesley (Band Director), Andrew Kirk (Assistant Band Director).

Kelly Parrish called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Joe Rist (Secretary) inquired if all members had read the minutes from the 7/12/2023 meeting. No changes were recommended. Michelle McNabb made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted, Brenda Tapia seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously. Joe advised he will post the minutes to the HHS Band website.

Kelly Parrish gave an update for Kristina Hutcherson (Hospitality). Kelly advised that the September 22 game at Joe Davis is Middle School Night. Hampton Cove Middle School band president Marcella Funderberg will be providing desserts. HHS will provide pizza and Tom Perkins is providing the water for the event. Kristina Hutcherson will email Martina Wood to make arrangements for paper products to be supplied. Kelly advised that November 2 is Senior Night. Darlene Hall has a senior so Nicole McDavid will be helping with lining up and other details on night of event.

Jaime Davis (1st VP – Volunteers) advised that volunteers needs were posted through October. Advised that the buses for the Austin game will be leaving the school at 1:30. We need to make sure volunteers are aware of departure time. It is an early dismissal day for Huntsville City Schools. Students will sign up for buses. We will most likely have 4 buses to take to each game. With the addition of the 4th bus, we need to make sure we have first aid kits for the bus chaperones for all 4 buses. Jaime inquired about the equipment and ladder placements for the pre-game show. Mr. Tankesly advised that they are currently finishing up the show and will determine the ladder placement prior to the first performance and share that with Jaime.

Lisa Allport and Michelle McNabb (2nd VP – Fundraising) gave an update of the status of upcoming fundraisers:

- Boston Butt update – 24 currently pre-ordered
- Calendar fundraiser has received roughly \$700 so far
- Band Merchandise will be available for sale at the 1st home game and car show
- London apparel is now live and the link will be posted in the next newsletter

Les Skulski (Transportation/Car Show Head) advised that the equipment truck is ready for the season. He advised it had an oil leak but he was able to determine cause and it is no longer leaking. Les is currently checking on the status of the plate for the trailer. Les advised he still is looking for a volunteer to tow trailer to the September 1 football game. He advised that one parent has already volunteered to tow the trailer to all home football games. A remind will be sent out asking for a volunteer to tow trailer to the September 1 game.

Les gave an update of the car show. Flyers are currently going out at other local events. He advised that pre-registration right now is slim but has heard by word of mouth that a lot of people have said they would register closer to event. Les wants to have a meeting at a future date to work out all the logistics for the event. He will advise once a meeting date is determined. Les is currently looking at logistics of taking the winner photos on the track at Milton Frank. Stuart Tankesly advised he would investigate what access we would have due to newly renovated track. The event and other future events will be advertised in the school's Panther Postings and other band social media.

Michele Vice (Uniforms) gave an update on concert uniform fittings. Currently need to fit 27. Michelle inquired when they could come to school for fittings. Mr. Tankesly advised that they could come during school hours to finish the concert uniform fittings.

Pam Rogers (Color Guard Liaison) said that back packs, t-shirts, and other guard accessories have been ordered but will not hand out to color guard until items have been paid for.

Brenda Tapia and Christine Starnes (Co-treasurers) gave an update of the current band finances. We currently have about \$184,000 in checking (mostly pass through money for London and Charm's credit), about \$8,591 in the uniform fund, and \$32,435 in the truck fund. Brenda posed the question to the board on what we are going to do with families who have not paid band fees prior to London trip. A discussion was held and it was decided that at a minimum the London trip fees must be paid. It will also be encouraged that families contact the treasurer to arrange payments of any remaining band fees. Currently we have funds to provide 3 scholarships for students to attend the London trip. Another item brought up by Brenda Tapia was a concern that the cost of band camp lunches was more than the fees that we collected for the lunches. She said we need to make sure when planning that we ensure that we either break even or make money.

Karen Hansberger (Trip Coordinator) advised that buses for the away games and Bob Jones competition have been book. She is currently working on snacks for the September 1 game. Dinner for the September 1 game will be at a shopping center. Students are responsible for purchasing dinner. Karen also advised that the bus for the Memphis performance has been booked. She is currently working with Go Go bus and the ongoing issues with us getting and being able to use our credit for a future bus. This will continue to be pursued. Karen also advised that for the London trip we need to have a point of contact for the band in the US.

Mr. Tankesly gave an update of the London trip. He advised that parade walkers were all set and would consist of the band directors, someone to handle medical needs, color guard sponsor, and a photographer. Advised that a lot of initial preparation will start happening quickly as we move past the September 1st passport and traveler information deadline and into October. Advised that September 1 was the last to commit but a person could realistically still do the land only option almost to the time of departure but it would cost them significantly more. It will be added to the next newsletter that September 1 will be the last date to commit to attending the trip.

Mr. Tankesly advised that the local competition at Bob Jones High School will most likely be a preliminary and finals type of event. Advised that we might have to perform twice in the competition.

Kelly Parrish advised that all pictures and senior biographies have been turned in. Kelly inquired about having more luggage tags printed and available for sale at future events. Les said that he would arrange to have more printed and available for purchase. Kelly also advised that show shirts have been ordered and that she will pick them up this week. There will be a community pep rally during the school open house on August 31st at 7 PM.

The next board meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 19 at 6:00 pm in the school band room.

The meeting was closed at 7:25 pm by Kelly Parrish.

Approved by Kelly Parrish, President

Respectfully submitted, Joe Rist, Secretary