



Huntsville High School Board Parent Association
Board Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2023

6:00 pm

Huntsville High School Band Room

The Huntsville High School Band Parent Association Board met on February 23, 2023 in the Huntsville High School Band Room. The following board members were present: Ben Boles (president), Audrey Beumer (VP-Volunteers), Lisa Allport (2nd vice president – fundraising), Christine Starnes (co-treasurer), Joe Rist (secretary). Committee chairs present: Marie Jeffress (color guard liaison), Kelly Parrish (uniforms), Kerri Thomas (uniforms) Les Skulski (trucks/equipment), Stephanie Winters (trip committee), Ben Boles (media chair), Christina Hutcherson (Hospitality Chair), Band Directors Stuart Tankesley and Asst. Band Director Andrew Kirk were also present. Pam Rogers

Meeting was called to order by Ben Boles @ 6:00 pm.

Ben Boles (President) discussed the upcoming mattress sale and some of the logistics for the sale this Saturday. We are hoping that the sale raises at least \$6000.

Christine Starnes (co-treasurer) gave an update on the band's current financial situation (attached Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual). Christine advised that we still had a few outstanding invoices that we need to cover but we will easily meet our required financial cushion to start the next school year. Christine explained how QuickBooks has been good for us to be able to track expenses and details of each account.

Ben Boles (President) advised we are currently seeking 501c3 designation for the band. We are pursuing the necessary documentation to complete this process. We must do some amendments to our constitution and by-laws to meet certain requirements. We will address the amendments at a future board meeting.

Andrew Kirk (Assistant Band Director) gave an update on the current status of the band's instruments. Mr. Kirk created and submitted a needs and wish list for percussion instruments. Mr. Kirk advised we have a great collection of percussion equipment and discussed some areas that needed to be addressed immediately. Stuart Tankesley (Band Director) gave an updated on other band instruments. Mr. Tankesley said we have ordered a Baritone Saxophone. He said we are anticipating growth over the next few years but feels that we are in a decent situation with our current band instruments. Stuart said we could use some additional marching baritones if we continue to grow. Stuart also said that we need to evaluate the status of the school's instrument cases.

Marie Jeffress (Color Guard Liaison) gave an update on the color guard. She said that the girls this year purchased their own sabers. Marie advised that we will have a need for pom poms for the next band season. Stuart Tankesley advised that we are putting a

lot of effort into recruiting color guard for the next school year but feels that we are in a good current situation. Marie said that we might need a new cart for next season.

Stephanie Winters (Trip Coordinator) gave an update for the New York trip. We will have a parent meeting on March 9th. Said itineraries are set and all the final transportation logistics are being finalized.

Christina Hutcherson (Nomination Committee Chair) gave an update on the nominating committee and gave a list of the current slate of officers. Ben advised that we will present the slate of officers for a vote at the Spring concert to formalize the nominating committees' recommendations.

Band Board Nominations

President – Kelly Parrish

Co-Treasurer – Brenda Tapia, Christine Starnes

Secretary – Joe Rist

Uniforms – Michelle Vice, Helena Johnson, Kerri Thomas

1st Vice President - Volunteers – Jaime Davis

Hospitality – Kristina Hutcherson

2nd Vice President - Fundraising – Lisa Allport, Michelle McNabb

Trip Coordinator – Karen Hansberger

Trucks – Les Skulski

Media Chair – Marvin Millar, Dave Anderson

Senior Night – Darlene Hall

Pit Crew Dad – Michael Stahl

Voice of the Band – Joshua Parrish

Newsletter – Deanna Anderson

Color Guard Liaison – Pam Rogers

Ben Boles discussed that we need to make sure that we account for inflation and determine how we going to cover the costs going forward for the next school year. We need to get creative and come up with some ideas on how to fundraise and continue to meet the needs of the band.

Ben Boles discussed a few other issues for us to consider. We have to have contracts for all people involved in band due to the new 501c3 mandate by Huntsville City Schools. We need to look at our big fundraising opportunities including the mattress sales and potentially a sock sale.

Stuart Tankesly (Band Director) gave a quick band update. He said that All-State was a huge success and that we will continue to host that in the coming years. We discussed feeding the children prior to leaving before MPA to make sure that the kids are fed.

The meeting was closed at 7:10 pm by Ben Boles.

Approved by Ben Boles, President

Joe Rist, Secretary