



Huntsville High School Board Parent Association
Board Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2023
6:00 pm
Huntsville High School Band Room

The Huntsville High School Band Parent Association Board met on April 20, 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), Johnny Bradt (2nd vice president – fundraising), Brenda Tapia (co-treasurer), 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), Darlene Hall (Sr. Night Coordinator) , Band Directors Stuart Tankesley and Asst. Band Director Andrew Kirk were also present.

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

Band Director - Mr. Tankesely gave us a update of the state of the band. Making decisions for the Fall (competitions, etc...). Planning to attend a competition at Bob Jones next year. Still determining the rest of the calendar. Final band concert will be held next Tuesday.

Treasurer – Brenda Tapia gave an update on the current finances. Most of the money we currently have is for the London Trip. A lot of money has been raised from families working at the VBC (roughly \$6,000). Advised about to put the \$6000 required mandatory deposit to the uniform account by the first week of May.

Old Business – Nothing discussed.

New Business

Instrument turn in shouldn't be a big issue. Band will monitor the return of instruments and the band director doesn't anticipate any issues. Students are expected to take the instruments to Southeastern for repairs before returning.

Newsletter is being published by Deanna Anderson. If you have any information for the newsletter please submit to Deanna.

Kelli Parrish gave an update on uniform turn-ins. About 12 uniforms currently outstanding and some shakos haven't been turned in.

Tuesday Concert – General membership meeting will be held on Tuesday at the Spring concert. Christina (nomination chairperson) will present slate of officers and

nominations will be accepted from the floor. No other business needs to be conducted at this meeting.

Banquet update – Christina gave an update. All preparations are moving forward. Asked Audrey Baumer to solicit for volunteers. The event will be held at Stovehouse. Theme of the banquet is “Red Carpet”. Event will be catered by Olive Garden (pasta bar). There will be a photo booth for pictures. The banquet will be held on Friday, May 12. Brenda Tapia asked that we not allow parents to charge to their student’s accounts and pay for the event up front. Ben Boles will announce in the newsletter.

Amendment on 501c3 – Discuss benefits of designation and issues necessary to meet requirements. We have been given the mandate by Huntsville City Schools to meet the requirements. Christina Starnes advised that we will have to present 5 years of financial data to meet the requirements. She is getting the information together that we will need. A few more documents need to be prepared before we turn in our application. Ben discussed the process for making an amendment to our Bylaws and presented the Amendment to the board to vote on. The amendment passed unanimously by all voting members of the board.

Next year procedures – Ben Boles asked that all current board members meet with the new board members and pass along any pertinent information to help ease the transition.

Ben asked Mr. Tankesley for any wants that the band needs for the next school year. He said he would like to see the keyboard stand replaced and that we are looking at purchasing a new marimba.

Ben advised that we have around \$32,000 in the truck/vehicle account and Les Skulski advised that he did not anticipate any major expenses other than the annual DOT inspection. Will take the equipment truck to Southland before the beginning of the next school year.

Freshman parent band meeting will be held on Thursday, June 1, 2023 at 6:00 pm in the band room. We will focus on introducing to the band and present all opportunities to them.

Fundraising – Michelle gave an update on behalf of Lisa Allport. Discussed the calendar fundraiser idea. Looking at a new vendor for Boston Butts. Looking for local business to make donations for silent auctions at our concerts and have a reception after. Mattress sale in February. Continue with VBC. Student incentive band concert – have an extra pep rally where students pay to go and see the band. Small groups do a concert in the park and have a hat donation. Sock fundraiser. Bricks. Publix. Car show?

Anything for good of the band:

Discussion for transportation for away games next year. We need to start booking buses for next football season and competitions. We will determine whether we can use charter buses or school buses once we get a better idea of our budget for next year.

Discussed composite photos (August 1st) for next season. Lifetouch is no longer doing pictures so we are using a different company for our composites.

Discussed senior banners for next football season. The cost would be around \$70 per banner. There was some discussion. We can decide and have someone to coordinate once a decision has been made.