Booster Meeting

January 17, 2023

In attendance:

Directors: Mr. Flores

Board Members: Katrina Hanson, Amy Ishee, Terry Ishee, Connie Ramos

Booster Members: Janie Chavez, Amy Gonzales, Veronica Gonzalez, Isabel Marmalejo,

Jose Rodriguez, Robin Sanchez, Sharon Stevens

Meeting called to order at 6:12 p.m.

Reviewed minutes. Approved

Treasurer’s report was reviewed. January was very quiet. Preliminary TCGC results; a total of $20,072.27 was made; we had $8321.74 in expenses; thus giving us a profit of $11,750.53. We sold everything in concessions other than a few bananas from the judges room and a few chips that were donated. Thanks to everyone who volunteered. Kids were really great that volunteered. Adrian Marquez emerged as an impressive leader.

TCGC recap. For next year, we need more volunteers. There were several that backed out due to the ice storm, understandably. But all volunteers were so wonderful and willing of their time. Huge kudos! It was suggested we make sure new parents understand the magnitude and importance of TCGC from the beginning of the year.

A question was asked about how we are looking for future expenses. We do not have anything that we are aware of at this time.

We need more parent participation from our band/guard parents. It was suggested that we have a pot luck for a meeting. Maybe April’s booster meeting after Future Eagle night.

Terry wants to say a huge thank you to everyone for their unwavering support this year.

Booster membership and sponsorships still available!

New Business

Need to create a scholarship committee (3 – 5 people). Members can’t be senior parents. We give two scholarships to seniors whose parents are boosters. Must have a student in the band. Committee will notify senior students. Volunteers for this committee are Janie, Jose, Amy, and Robin. Amy will get them everything they need.

Officer Nominating Committee. We need to have at least three people. Mr. Flores, Robin, Connie and Terry have volunteered to be part of this committee. Nominations are announced in March and votes happen in April. Connie will also run for secretary.

We currently have an online fundraiser for percussion. The end of the fundraiser will be March 1st. We want to get $15K. It would cover the funds for the Indy trip. If we get it, we will do a Gattitown party. The link has been posted on the remind and on Instagram. Now that TCGC is over we will focus on getting that out. We might revisit the deadline as we had the ice storm that stole one week. A question was raised about the money that is raised through this fundraiser and where it goes and why it doesn’t get credited to a specific student. This is given to the percussion as a whole because if it’s individual then we lose the non-profit status. This way we don’t pay any fees for the Cheddar fundraiser.

Shoe Donation Fundraiser should start in April. Amy will head this up. The company collects shoes that have no tears or holes and are a matched set. They will pay us a certain amount of money per pound of shoes. The shoes get sent to those in need in other countries. Amy suggested we let people know so they don’t start giving them away.

The Band banquet was discussed. The purpose of this event is to celebrate the year with the students. It gives them an opportunity to dress up and have fun with their bandmates. Parents do attend. Connie mentioned that prices have doubled and it’s more difficult to get a deal, especially on a Friday or Saturday. She has been offered a deal with the Austin Southpark Hotel, the location of the past several banquets. But the date will need to be a Sunday. We discussed and settled on April 30th. Connie will contact the hotel and have the first banquet committee meeting this month. Amy has volunteered to head up the senior slideshow presentation.

TMEA/TFMA will take place this weekend. They leave 6am on Friday and return on Saturday. Last year we had seniors but we would really like three adult additional drivers. This is an international music convention for anyone who is interested in majoring in music. Noah will be performing at this event as he made first chair in STATE!!!! We would need these drivers to take them to SA and then come back to SA on Saturday to bring them back. We will work to find helpers.

Upcoming events – spring trip, indy trip.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.