

**WR BAND BOOSTERS
MEETING MINUTES
11 SEPTEMBER 2007**

Jim Tingerthal, President, welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with the following reports:

- ◆ Currently 57 paid booster members (minus one for insufficient funds, so 56).
- ◆ Chaperones:
 - ❖ Because they are emptying quickly, consideration is being made to bring in large coolers of water to the stands during home games for the purpose of allowing students to refill their small personal coolers.
 - ❖ All went well at the Dome.
 - ❖ It was noted that for away games and contests small first-aid kits are being brought along to the stands with the students, and the large kit is being left on the truck. Also noted, the equipment crew should have a first-aid kit readily available. (Since the meeting, a first-aid kit has been donated to the equipment crew. Thanks!)
- ◆ No color guard issues.
- ◆ No uniform issues, but Martha Lockhart stated that students with pinned uniforms should remind the uniform moms that they need to be altered.
- ◆ Operations:
 - ❖ Jim Evernham is still working on some logistical cart issues and tweaking the load plan.
 - ❖ Billy Miller says loading is best ever and mentioned that there are some outstanding small truck related jobs to be paid for. Treasurer requested an invoice.
 - ❖ Egg or no egg on truck? (Confirmed: we have not been egged again.)
- ◆ Fruit Sale
 - ❖ Sale begins 1 October
 - ❖ Last day to turn in orders is 26 October
 - ❖ Thanksgiving delivery is 13 November
 - ❖ Christmas delivery is 11 December
 - ❖ Same sale prices as last year
 - ❖ Houston County and Northside (and a couple middle schools) also participating.
 - ❖ Volunteers are (really) needed both delivery days for unloading and sorting the fruit. This is a big job and requires a lot of hands. Please help if you are available. POC is Kimberly Pike, feelingroovy@cox.net, 714-3794.

Sylvia Enix provided the following financial report prepared by Larry Southerland CPA, dated 31 July:

- ◆ \$25,985.88 in checking account
- ◆ \$16,418.65 in (uniform) money market account
- ◆ \$42,404.53 total assets at end of period
- ◆ \$43,285.76 revenue
- ◆ \$27,191.92 expenses
- ◆ Volunteer hours shown as converted to dollars equals \$6,201.
- ◆ Net profit in concessions for the Northside game was approximately \$6K.
 - ❖ Have not received bills from Coca-Cola and My Father's Place.
 - ❖ Received \$180 from funnel cake sales, and
 - ❖ \$320 from Italian Ice sales.
- ◆ August numbers will be posted on the web.

Rose Garcia on concessions:

- ◆ Northside game ran smoothly. Short a few volunteers, but had enough help.
- ◆ Would like to have 30 - 35 volunteers for the Central Gwinnett game.
- ◆ Dropping My Father's Place for Pizza Hut.
 - ❖ Quality and cost are factors.
- ◆ Questions raised:
 - ❖ Should we continue to provide bottled water to visiting bands? Mr Howell says YES.
 - ❖ Should we provide bottled water to the Lowndes County 300+ member band? Mr Howell says YES.
- ◆ Visitor side concession stand will be open early for Central Gwinnett Band.

Another note from our treasurer: Please compare inventory to invoices. Note any discrepancies.

We need an alternate truck driver and someone to take over next year.

Next up was our Director of Bands, Todd Howell:

- ◆ We're off to a good start!
- ◆ Remember to always show the football team and coaches support.
- ◆ Our last half-time show went a lot better than the one at the Dome. The students did a great job and the crowd response was fantastic!
- ◆ Good practice today! We've got a game Saturday, so that means practice on Friday also. The band will be performing the drum feature for the first time. You will enjoy!
- ◆ The band is getting into contest mode. We have been talking about how scores are derived and we looked at a copy of the judge's sheet. It's like saying, "Here are the answers....." The more educated the band is regarding scoring, the better for them. The judges want bands to do the best they can. Contest season is like NASCAR. Only one winner, but no bad drivers.

- ◆ Our first contest is 29 September at Northgate High School in Newnan. We will compete in the AAA class based on our wind and percussion numbers. In the past we always elected to compete a class up, but Mr Howell is looking at it from a different perspective this year. We will compete where our band is designed, rather than going up against a band that is twice our size. The judges at Newnan are the best and this will work to our advantage. Houston County will also be in Newnan, competing in the AAAA class. Itineraries will be prepared and provided prior to the 29th.
- ◆ The deadline for signing up for All State (\$15) and District Honor Band (\$10) is 14 September. Auditions will be held 8 December. All symphonic band students are encouraged to participate.

Jim Tingerthal called for additional comments:

- ◆ A few registrations were received for non-marching students which included some concession stand volunteers.
- ◆ Next booster meeting is 16 October, the Tuesday following Fall Break.
- ◆ Next Heart of Georgia meeting is 18 Sep.

Meeting adjourned!