

EMHS BAND BOOSTER MEETING

Oct 6, 2015

Christy Batterson, Booster President, called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

President Report:

- Christy Batterson reminded parents of the Tuesday practice, Oct 13, 4 pm - 8 pm. There will be the full run through for the parents at the end of practice. Coffee and hot chocolate will be served.
- Senior parents please look for information to come home concerning Senior Night, Oct 30, 2015. Mr. Jahnke will visit with the seniors to determine whether or not Converse shoes will be allowed.
- Seniors and family members will be on the field. Each senior and their family members will be introduced; the senior's brief bio will be read. There will be mums for the seniors' moms and a ribbon for the seniors' dads.
- Senior salute for the game night program is due NLT Oct 14, 2015.

Vice President Report:

- Tracey Garrett gave a big thank you to all our volunteers. Upcoming volunteer opportunities are: Tues, Oct 27, OSSAA, in Lawton, and Sat, Oct 31, OBA, at UCO. Please sign up on Charms.
- OBA Finals tickets are \$10 each; these are assigned seats. We only received 250 tickets. You'll need to buy prelim tickets at the gate.

Secretary Report:

The minutes from the Sep 2015 Booster Meeting were read by parents. Julie Drumm moved that the minutes be approved; seconded by Danny Smith. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report:

Debbie Thomas reported that 75% of assessments have been paid. Still accepting payments. August financial report was available for parents to read. Deana Meyers made a motion to approved the financial report; Karen Bouska seconded the motion. Approved by the booster parents.

Ways & Means Report:

Kim Shirley wasn't able to attend the meeting. Christy Batterson reported that \$41,000+ has been received from our Check Writing Campaign.

- The long sleeved tees are in; please pick up at one of our upcoming band practices.

Logistics:

- KellyLynn McLaughlin reported that the band trailer will be cleaned out Thursday, Oct 8. Parents are welcomed to help.
- Julie Drumm thanked all the parents who have helped served food to our band kids and parents at our band competitions. There are enough sandwich fixings to feed the band kids prior to practice this Thursday; she needs parents to help.

Publicity: None

Color Guard:

- Jody Cordeiro reported that the Color Guard is learning their new drill. New flags are expected soon.
- Maryann Rollins complimented the Color Guard.

Scholarship:

Grant Gregory reported that the Band on the Run, 5K will be either April 2 or 3, 2016. It will probably be held at Mitch Park in Edmond. Our annual Mattress Sale is scheduled for April 16, 2016. This is an excellent fundraiser for the band.

Director Report:

- Mr. Jahnke reported that the show is going well but the band still has lots to do.
- Mustang contest was a pleasant surprise. Judges comments were positive. They love what we're doing but we need to finish our show. Our band won the music category by 14 points! Big compliment when other Band Directors came over to watch our/your kids perform/practice. General Effects were our lowest scores but that will change and we should get a "bump" when our props are added.
- Goal this week is to finish the show!
- St. Louis Trip, Oct 14 - 18, 2015:
 - Mr. Jahnke will send out a nightly email updating all parents on that day's activities.
 - Buses will leave EMHS around midnight, Wed, Oct 14. Band kids and sponsors need to be at the band room by 11pm. We should arrive in St. Louis around 10am due to mandated bus driver rests and a breakfast stop.
 - NO PDA BETWEEN COUPLES!
 - Band is staying at the Drury Plaza at the Arch. There will be room checks.
 - Tentative daily schedules. Practice sites and times still need to be confirmed but will be either at a college or high school; turf field.
 - Thursday: Rehearsal in the morning. Pizza and arcades and possible rehearsal in the afternoon. Dinner - Band divided into 2 groups; 1 group will eat at Landry's and the 2nd group will eat at Hard Rock Cafe. Kids have already selected their entrees.
 - Friday - morning rehearsal. Might watch some prelim performances. Groups will switch restaurants then go to City Museum for a fun evening.
 - Saturday - leave hotel for good. Morning rehearsal. Our prelim spot is the third band from the end which is a good position .
 - Kids will need money for lunch Friday & Saturday as well as spending money for souvenirs.
 - Tulsa schools have heard how well we're doing; NOT HAPPY.
 - 12 to 14 schools in finals. Saturday night we will either be performing or watching finals. We will load up and depart after finals; sometime between 10pm & midnight.
 - Should be at EMHS sometime around 10am .
 - On St. Louis trip - your kids will be safe & well cared for. They will represent our school & community. Will have fun.
 - Will check on availability of live feed for Super Regional Finals.
- Thursday, Oct 22, 2015, is our band's scheduled away game, Westmoore.
- Saturday, Oct 31, 2015, is OBA.

Our next Band Booster meeting will be Nov 9, 2015. Information on time and location of this meeting will be posted closer to the meeting date.

Christy adjourned the meeting.