

LHS Rebel Band Booster Executive Board

February 20, 2023

6:00pm/LHS Band Hall

Board Members/Committee Chairs in Attendance:

Amber Pena, President
Christina Valencia, Vice-President
Katy Reid, Membership Coordinator
Olga Padilla, Hospitality Coordinator
Jeanette Reyes, A/R Treasurer
Helga Hoban, A/P Treasurer
Dina Higginbotham, Treasurer Assistant
Larry Lozano, Communications Officer
Samantha Burgess, Uniform Committee Chair
Traci Tercero, Secretary

Directors in Attendance:

Steven Dojahn
Morgan Marin
Jonathan Avila
Cameron Connell

Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order by Amber Pena at 6:04pm
- January meeting minutes were reviewed, approval was motioned by Jeanette Ramirez and seconded by Christina Valencia

Fundraising Update (Amber reporting):

- Fundraising
 - Upcoming restaurant profit-sharing nights to be announced later
 - Deanan Popcorn has been ordered but Amber did not know the status of delivery
 - Texas Roadhouse Rolls (Easter)- will sell March 20th-31st for pick up the week of April 4th

Payables Treasurer Report (Helga Hoban):

- Submitted a monthly report (year-to-date operating expense and budget comparison)
 - Everything looks good with the budget
 - For the Winter Ensemble, Helga has been splitting the expenses evenly between the Indoor Percussion (5600) and Winter Guard (6000) line items
 - Discussed again the three items mentioned last month that will be discussed in the upcoming budget meeting for next year:
 - Band Tech (5502)- close to exceeding budget
 - Band Banquet (6200)- planning a larger event, may need to increase line item
 - CPA Fees/Taxes (5103)- new CPA is on board and has sent out the 1099 forms

Receivables Treasurer Report (Jeanette Reyes):

- Submitted a monthly report on deposits for January
 - Band Assessments- \$6090.60; Guard Assessments- \$786.50

- Year-to-date: \$59,939.84 (budgeted \$100,000)
 - Winterguard Assessments- \$1465.00
 - Indoor Percussion Assessments- \$1942.02
 - Fundraisers- \$1302.50
 - Corporate Sponsorship- \$100.00
 - Year-to-date: \$58,440.06 (\$3,660 expense)
 - Instrument Rental: \$75.00
 - Total Deposits- \$11,936.62
 - Miscellaneous- \$175.00
- Assessment payment update
 - Mentioned that we really need to keep in mind when creating the budget for next year that anticipated assessment payments may not actually be paid
 - Indoor Percussion/Winterguard Assessments
 - 12 students have paid in full
 - 10 students have paid >\$250
 - 14 students have paid <\$250
 - 7 students have made no payment (6 are past due from fall assessments)
 - Fall Assessments
 - 130 students have paid in full
 - 25 students have paid >\$200
 - 31 students have paid <\$200
 - 25 students have made no payment (some are past due from previous years)
 - Students have been reminded that assessments must be paid in order to participate in Indoor Percussion/Winterguard and to go on the Spring Trip (have gone from \$12,500 outstanding to \$3000)
- Chocolate bar fundraiser update- 30 students still have payments from 50 boxes outstanding
- Jeanette is working on the Hotel/Motel tax grant and has offered Bands of America half the profit if they will help by giving budget information for the application
- The booster club has completed the name change for the state, but the federal non-profit name still needs to change from Robert E. Lee High School Bandoliers to Legacy High School Band Boosters
- The annual budget meeting was scheduled for April 18th

Vice President Report (Christina Valencia):

- Band Banquet- May 19th 6:00-11:00pm at the Horseshoe Arena
 - Discussed decorating (table covers priced \$10 each and gold runners are not available)
 - Jeanette was unable to get the derrick decorations (except for two)
 - Committee will be meeting soon to decide design specifics and to inventory what we already have
 - Ticket sales will start mid-April
 - Asked the Directors to remind students that assessments must be paid in order to attend Banquet

President Report (Amber Pena):

- Board Nominations
 - Board Nominating Committee named and will meet soon to discuss nominations:
 - Traci Tercero (Chair)
 - Jessika Ramirez
 - Laura Shannon
 - Grace McElhaney
 - Want to get younger student's parents involved in the board (Ms. Marin will mention in the next newsletter)

- We will be bringing back the Water Chairman for next year (combining it with Hospitality did not work as well as hoped)
- Spring Trip Update
 - Bus and rooming lists have been completed (thanks Ms. Marin!)
 - 75 total persons traveling (3 chaperones, 5 directors/admins)
 - 4 students have not fully paid (working on them)
- Picture Book for Sponsors- discussed Larry and Jeanette creating a standard picture book of band pictures that can be given to platinum sponsors (will be given at Band Banquet)
- New Semi-Trailer Project
 - MISD will cover half of the \$205,000 trailer (we will seek donations for the rest- \$35k pledged to date)
 - A promotional video will be made tomorrow showing the importance of the trailer to the band (the board will be aware of the standard “talking points” when answering questions regarding the need for the new trailer)
 - A fundraiser kickoff will take place on March 25th (with drumline performance, burger fundraiser and possible Indoor Parent Performance)
 - MISD will take ownership of the large cost items and cover costs of insurance and maintenance (with a memo of understanding that the trailers are for band use only)

Membership Report (Katy Reid):

- Nothing new to report

Uniform Report (Samantha Burgess):

- All uniforms have been washed and are ready to go for next year
- Samantha will start removing Senior uniforms from the system

Hospitality Report (Olga Padilla):

- Have been prepping for upcoming Indoor Percussion/Winterguard competition season

Pit/Props Report (Amber reporting):

- Props have been priced to sell at \$7500 (whole lot)
- Discussed putting them on Marketplace (Mr. Avila will share some pages for this)

Colorguard (Amber reporting):

- Nothing new to report

Communications Report (Larry Lozano):

- Reported that we are up to 29,030 followers on Facebook

Director Reports

- Mr. Dojahn
 - MISD Band budget has been approved by Ms. Torres
 - Contains an extra \$140,00 and has moved up to the next level
 - This year both high schools will have identical budgets to avoid extra scrutiny
 - Ms. Torres will be leaving LHS and moving to Central Office (new principal will be selected by the end of this school year)
 - Next year’s show concept and plan has been completed (still working on music selection)
 - Discussed letter jacket fitting and the current rules for earning a jacket/letter
 - Reported that we will have a drug K9 to inspect students and luggage for Indoor trips and Branson trip

- Brought up wanting to develop an Alumni Night during football season next year (looking for someone to take charge)
- Upcoming Events:
 - February 21st- Red Pixel semi-trailer promotional video filming
 - February 24th-25th- Indoor Competition
 - February 28th- General Booster Meeting/Spring Trip Parent Meeting
 - March 4th- Junior High Band Clinic (Honor Band Only)
 - March 9th- Pre-UIL Contest (LHS)
 - March 14th-17th- Branson Trip
 - March 20th- Executive Board Meeting
 - April 1st- Honor Band Trip to WT A&M
 - April 5th- UIL Contest (Wagner Noel)
 - April 29th- Solo and Ensemble Contest
- Mr. Avila
 - Symphonic Band has had great rehearsal attendance
 - Progressing well towards UIL contest
- Mr. Connell
 - First Indoor competition coming up this weekend
 - Floor and prop vinyls plus flag silks received
 - Uniforms scheduled for delivery on Thursday
 - Second contest scheduled for March 10th & 11th and the Championship for April 14th-16th
- Ms. Marin
 - Guard routine is going well (Mason and Ninel have really stepped up)
 - Freshmen Band UIL preparation progressing well (hardest program Ms. Marin has attempted)

Next Meeting

- Monday, March 20th, @6pm (LHS)

Meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm

Submitted by Traci Tercero
 Booster Board Secretary