

LHS Rebel Band Booster Executive Board

January 9, 2023

6:00pm/LHS Band Hall

Board Members/Committee Chairs in Attendance:

Amber Pena, President
Christina Valencia, Vice-President
Jennifer Washam, Fundraising Coordinator
Gloria Munoz, Fundraising Assistant
Olga Padilla, Hospitality Coordinator
Helga Hoban, A/P Treasurer
Dina Higginbotham, Treasurer Assistant
Robert Pena, Pit Boss
Samantha Burgess, Uniform Committee Chair
Jessika Ramirez, Colorguard Liaison
Traci Tercero, Secretary

Directors in Attendance:

Steven Dojahn
Morgan Marin
Jonathan Avila

Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order by Amber Pena at 6:06pm

- November meeting minutes were reviewed, and approval was motioned by Helga Hoban and seconded by Dina Higginbotham

Fundraising Update (Jennifer Washam):

- Fundraising
 - Texas Roadhouse Rolls (Easter)- will sell March 20th-31st for pick up the week of April 4th
 - Deanan Popcorn (possibly February)
 - Ordered by the case (\$110/100 bags) with nine different flavors
 - Should we collect pre-orders or purchase cases then pass out bags to sell?
 - Students that have outstanding chocolate payments will not be allowed to take popcorn to sell
 - New fundraiser suggestion- Poppin Popcorn (can be mailed directly to the buyer)

Payables Treasurer Report (Helga Hoban):

- Submitted a monthly report (year-to-date operating expense and budget comparison)
 - Ending balance in the operating account as of 12/30/2022 is \$131,187.14
 - For the Winter Ensemble, Helga will be splitting the expenses evenly between the Indoor Percussion (5600) and Winter Guard (6000) line items
 - Three items were mentioned to be discussed during budget planning 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)- Current CPA is discontinuing business with us and the new proposed CPA will be charging more for services (still less than others)

- Approval of the new CPA firm (Weaver and Tidwell) was motioned by Traci Tercero and seconded by Dina Higginbotham, with no objections (Olga Padilla abstained from voting due to conflict of interest)

Receivables Treasurer Report (Amber/Dina reporting):

- Submitted a monthly report on deposits for November and December
 - Band Assessments- \$5,519.00 (Nov) \$4,300.00 (Dec); Guard Assessments- \$400.00 (Nov) \$325.00 (Dec)
 - Year-to-date: \$54,428.66 (budgeted \$100,000)
 - Winterguard Assessments- \$500.00 (Nov) \$100.00 (Dec)
 - Indoor Percussion Assessments- \$650.00 (Dec)
 - Spirit Sales- \$120.00 (Nov)
 - Year-to-date: \$429.22 (\$6629.21 minus \$6199.99 expense)
 - Fundraisers- \$24,325.05 (Nov) \$7,361.25 (Dec)
 - Water Jugs- \$15.00 (Nov)
 - Profit-Share Night- \$87.00 (Dec)
 - Total Deposits- \$31,029.05 (Nov) \$14,870.75 (Dec)
 - Miscellaneous- \$150.00 (Nov) \$2,047.50 (Dec)
- Assessment payment update
 - No report
- Charms Update
 - Fundraising credits being added into accounts
 - Outstanding chocolate payments have been charged to appropriate accounts (Dina will send an email reminder)
 - Birch Resources scholarship money has been added to recipient accounts

Vice President Report (Christina Valencia):

- Band Banquet- May 19th
 - Approval was given by the board to move the Band Banquet to the Horseshoe Arena
 - Will use Building "A" for a cost of \$900 (500-person capacity)
 - Phoenix Catering will do \$15/person (\$18 with desert)- will order 300 meals initially
 - Discussed allowing Seniors 3 extra tickets and everyone else 2 extra tickets (proposed ticket price- \$20)
 - Looking for a DJ to hire (discussed 3 potential candidates)
 - Need to investigate security needs (are they included in the cost?)
 - Theme will be "Black Gold" (will be able to decorate the day before)
 - Discussed the dress requirements for the banquet (dress up vs. casual)

President Report (Amber Pena):

- Upcoming open board positions for next year:
 - Membership Coordinator
 - Colorguard Liaison
 - Hospitality Coordinator
 - Secretary
- Amber asked for other members to let her know in the next week or so if they want to stay in their current position next year
- Discussed the creation of the Nomination Committee- need 4 members (no more than two board members)
- Discussed an issue with students paying for Spring Trip, but not having assessment paid (making some progress)
- Next year's budget meetings will be coming soon

- Need to have a Uniform Room Clean-up soon (Amber will survey availability on either 1/20 or 1/21)

Membership Report (no report):

Uniform Report (Samantha Burgess):

- Decided on a uniform washing day (pick up uniforms on 1/20 and bring back 1/23 (Amber will send out a SignUp Genius invite for volunteers)
- Samantha will test if the uniform bags are washable

Hospitality Report (Olga Padilla):

- Planning dinner for All-Region Clinic students/directors on Friday at Wagner Noel
- Discussed having a concession stand at the upcoming mid-winter concert (Traci will ask for a popcorn donation from Cinergy again and Olga will pick up other items from Sam's)
- Olga got information from Urban Air for a possible social event

Pit/Props Report (Robert Pena):

- Discussed the need to get rid of black gold props- will possibly use them as decorations for Band Banquet, then they can be sold

Colorguard (Jessika Ramirez):

- Nothing new to report

Communications Report (no report):

Director Reports

- Mr. Dojahn
 - Directors have started meetings to develop next year's marching show (music is to be chosen in the next week) and we are keeping the same designers
 - Upcoming Events:
 - January 12- UTEP Concert (LHS Band Hall)
 - January 13/14- All-Region Clinic and Concert
 - February 4- LHS Solo/Ensemble
 - February 7- Mid-Winter Concert
 - February 13-17- Intercession
 - February 18- UIL Solo/Ensemble Contest
 - February 20- Board and General Booster Meeting
 - February 28- Spring Trip Meeting
 - September 23- BOA New Mexico (Las Cruces)
 - September 30- BOA Midland (will discuss if we want to supply volunteers)
 - October 7- Local Marching Contest (TBD)
 - October 14- UIL Regional Contest
 - October 28- UIL Area Contest
 - Honor Band is rehearsing every week day 8:00-9:40am and having sectionals after school
 - March 4- Junior High Band Clinics
 - April 1- Clinic in Canyon (need 4 parent volunteers)

- Mr. Avila
 - After school rehearsals for Symphonic Band began today (went great!)
 - Rehearsals will be every Monday and sectionals will take place before school

- Ms. Marin
 - Sectionals take place during class and full band rehearsals on Thursdays (nine rehearsals left)
 - Most difficult program to date for Ms. Marin
 - 14 All- Region students with 3 progressing to Area (1 runner-up for State!)
 - Winterguard update
 - Preparations ongoing (i.e., uniforms, props)
 - Show titled “Phases of the Moon”
 - Looking for 4 parent volunteers (drivers needed as well)

Next Meeting

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm

Submitted by Traci Tercero
Booster Board Secretary