

LHS Rebel Band Booster Executive Board

November 14, 2022

6:00pm/LHS Band Hall

Board Members/Committee Chairs in Attendance:

Amber Pena, President

Christina Valencia, Vice-President

Katy Reid, Membership Coordinator

Jennifer Washam, Fundraising Coordinator

Olga Padilla, Hospitality Coordinator

Jeanette Reyes, A/R Treasurer

Helga Hoban, A/P Treasurer

Samantha Burgess, Uniform Committee Chair

Jessika Ramirez, Color Guard Liaison

Traci Tercero, Secretary

Directors in Attendance:

Steven Dojahn

Morgan Marin

Jonathan Avila

Cameron Connell

Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order by Amber Pena at 6:03pm
- October meeting minutes were reviewed, and approval was motioned by Mr. Avila and seconded by Christina Valencia

Fundraising Update (Jennifer Washam):

- Spirit Wear update
 - Not much left of the current inventory
 - Will hopefully sell the remainder at the football game this Saturday
 - Special orders are being delivered in a timelier manner (not many coming in now at the end of football season)
- WiddyUp fundraiser update
 - 33 students participated
 - We received a check for \$11479.10 (the boosters received \$1600)
 - Boosters purchased gift cards totaling \$270 plus the party reward (Mr. Gatti's) for the percussion section for \$300
- Chocolate Bar fundraiser update
 - Received 400 boxes, costing \$13,295 (with the \$132 refund for shipping, came out to \$13,163)
 - 108 students are participating with 279 boxes passed out so far, and have received money for 66 boxes
 - Amber will be at the school on Tuesday and Thursday to pass out more boxes this week
- Texas Roadhouse fundraisers
 - Rolls are ready this week- students will receive their "pick-up" vouchers on Tuesday
 - Students can choose either to pick up the orders or hand out the vouchers for their customers to pick up

- People picking up can go to the hostess stand to announce their arrival and then go to the back to pick up the rolls/butter
 - 57 students participated in the roll fundraiser with the following numbers:
 - Collected \$15,335
 - Our 50% was \$7514.50
 - We purchased the rolls for \$6977.00
 - The difference was \$537.50
 - Profit-sharing night at TRH tonight (11/14)
- Next profit-sharing night to take place in January (Whataburger)
- Discussed upcoming fundraiser ideas
 - Candle Café- popcorn or candles
 - Deanan Popcorn (cost \$1/bag- sell for \$3)
 - Yard signs (\$1 to make/sell for \$10)
 - LHS flags (for summer going into fall)
 - TRH rolls again at Easter

Payables Treasurer Report (Helga Hoban):

- Submitted a monthly report (year-to-date operating expense and budget comparison)
- Reported that we finished marching season below budget with expenditures
 - The only line item that went over budget was the LHS caps (went over \$600)
 - Was offset by \$925 brought in for the hats and front ensemble jerseys

Receivables Treasurer Report (Jeanette Reyes):

- Submitted a monthly report on deposits
 - Band Assessments- \$7546.00; Guard Assessments- \$546.00
 - Year-to-date: \$44,798.66 (budgeted \$100,000)
 - Corporate Sponsorships- \$3000.00
 - Year-to-date: \$54,544.56 (\$58,204.56 minus \$3660.00 expense for show shirts)
 - Spirit Sales- \$308.57
 - Year-to-date: \$494.22 (\$6629.21 minus \$6134.99 expense)
 - Fundraisers- \$15,364.80
 - Water Jug Sales- \$15.00
 - Profit-Share Night- \$319.08
 - BOA- \$2675.00
 - Total Deposits- \$29,774.45
- Assessment payment update
 - 71 students have paid in full
 - 41 students have paid >\$200
 - 58 students have paid <\$200
 - 46 students have made no payments (15%)
- Ms. Marin's mother-in-law suggested applying for the Midland Hotel and Motel Tax for our contribution during BOA (Jeanette is looking into this and getting band information to submit)

Vice President Report (Christina Valencia):

- Band Banquet
 - Discussed moving the banquet from the Midland Country Club to another venue
 - No longer have a "sponsor" at the Country Club
 - Want more options for food (i.e., catering)

- Want to have a larger venue so that parents can attend
- Locations discussed:
 - Midland Horseshoe Arena (will cost \$1400)
 - Bush Convention Center (Jeanette can use connections for a \$600 fee)
- Discussed using Phoenix Catering for food (\$15/person)
- Amber asked members to come up with theme ideas to discuss at the next meeting

President Report (Amber Pena):

- Birch Resources has given a \$2000 scholarship to the band with instructions to give it to needy students for their assessments
 - An online application will go out on Wednesday (11/16) with a due date of 11/30
 - Ten students will be selected to receive \$200 towards their assessments (not spring trip funding)
- Christmas Blessing
 - Discussed identifying needy students for the Board to “bless” with food, clothes, etc.
 - Mr. Dojahn and Ms. Marin will get a list of band students (from Campus Communities in Schools) from both schools that fit this category
- Amber reported that Christmas cards have been designed and will be sent out to the following:
 - Staff members at both Legacy schools
 - Junior High Band members
 - Corporate Sponsors
- Amber wanted to start discussions regarding upcoming vacancies/expiration in the Board for next year and for current members to decide if they want to remain in their positions (if eligible).
 - Expiring positions: Volunteer/Membership Chair, Parliamentarian
 - Vacating positions: Secretary, Colorguard Liaison

Membership Report (Katy Reid):

- Reported that the number of current volunteers is about 100 (much better than last year)

Uniform Report (Samantha Burgess):

- We will be washing the uniforms in January
- There are reports that the uniform bags smell bad, so Samantha will test washing the bags

Hospitality Report (Olga Padilla):

- Lunch for this Saturday’s game day will be a nacho bar from Chuy’s

Pit/Props Report (Amber reporting):

- Rob Pena and Daniel Burgess are looking into buying an ATV for the band via online auction (Jeanette will try to find someone to possibly donate one)
- Jeanette asked if we will be auctioning off the props from the “Black Gold” show

Colorguard (Jessika Ramirez):

- Jackets arrived and look great
- There is an extra jacket available if anyone would like to purchase

Communications Report (Amber reported):

- Getting feedback from parents appreciating not being bombarded by messages
- Website and social media views are holding steady

- Larry is reviewing the website to make sure that all the sponsors are listed and applicable links are available

Director Reports

- Mr. Dojahn
 - Expressed gratitude to the Board for a great marching season
 - Explained eligibility rules regarding the upcoming football games
 - Today is the regain/lose eligibility day from the 2nd grading cycle
 - Any game during the Thanksgiving holiday does not count towards ineligibility (all students will be allowed to participate)
- Mr. Avila and Mr. Connell
 - Winter Guard and Indoor Percussion have been combined and will be called “LHS Winter Ensemble”
 - The Henshaws will be developing the upcoming competitive show (1st performance will be February 25th)
 - Colorguard audition will be held Tuesday (results posted on Wednesday) and a parent meeting will be held on Thursday
- Ms. Marin
 - Will be conducting the first chair test tomorrow
 - UIL music has been selected and voted on by the students
 - Preparing for the upcoming Christmas concert (testing the students with some difficult pieces)

Upcoming Dates:

- Play-off Game at Astound Stadium (vs. Keller)- November 19th
- TMEA Phase 1 Auditions (MHS)- December 5th
- TMEA Phase 2 Auditions (Abilene HS)- December 10th
- Holiday Band Concert (LHS)- December 15th
- Caroling Concerts (Honor Band)- TBA

Next Meeting

- Monday, January 9th, 6pm in the Band Hall (no meeting held in December)

Meeting was adjourned at 7:17pm

Submitted by Traci Tercero
Booster Board Secretary