

2023 Band Booster Meeting - July

Date: July 17, 2023

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Music room

Attendees: **Darby Petitt, Natalie Guesses, Amy Baum, Eric Hybertson, Tania Hopkins, Scott and Marianne Margheim, Chris and Kelly Rigolini, Sarah Harter, Rachel and Benjamin Backlund, Celest Backlund, Luke Backlund, George and Cricket Keppel, Richard Pierson, Heath Holmes, Lars Nilsson Liam Bacay, Greg Kitto, Rini Rausch, Danielle Buehler, Renee Threlkeld, Tara Walsh, Alice Ro, Jeremy Hirsch, Amber and Greg Forget, Samantha Sanders, Reanna Garnica, Heather Halpape, Payal Srivastava, Roopam Narayan, Tina and Greg Jewell, Brian LaComb, Spencer LaComb, Brian Robbins, Andrew and Elin Robinson, Megan Harper, Marina and Ricky McCreight, Roxanna Soto**

Agenda

- Welcome (Chris, Kelly, Eric et al)
 - Present packet, budget, band camp
 - "Golden State of Mind"
 - Matching funds, sponsorships (Tania)
 - Fundraisers (Scott)
 - Concessions sign up, manager training dates (Amy)
 - Answer questions
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Welcome

Chris Rigolini, Zach Barker co-direct band activities

Kelly Rigolini directs color guard; Other/parent volunteers; Mr. Oleka, Greg Kitto, Mr. Joe Hills (Mr. Barker's music writing partner)

Packet review

Questions:

1. Are payments the same in myschoolbucks for 8th graders? Yes, should work the same
2. Can I pay in bitcoin (haha)? NO
3. On field trip form, says "trip", should we fill that in? And dates? Leave those blank or just put marching band
4. Do DCSD employees have to fill out the forms? Go ahead and fill them about just in case.
5. Do I have to fill out two sets of forms if we have two kids? Yes, sorry
6. Can I just take a picture of my license and insurance? Sure, do that and submit with form.
7. Do I need to fill out "driving form" for my student if they are driving as well? No
8. For the volunteer form, do we need references? They have never called a reference so maybe put one or just put Chris Rigolini down. We are not doing overnights.
9. When are forms due? First day of band camp.
10. Any Halftime Help stadium time during band camp? No, all at HRHS
11. What do we do during football games? Pep band in the stands and we run the show at halftime.
12. How long are competitions? Later than 9pm usually. Some shows are multiple rounds, maybe a clinic in the morning and compete in evening, no performance schedule until maybe 2 weeks before. SO, just plan on the whole day on competition days. Very long days. Usually significant downtime during those days as well but students must stay. Itinerary will be sent out a week to four days before a competition via email and facebook.
13. Can we make a good parent communication tool in case events get rained out or storms like last year? Facebook is a good tool but we can set up a remind or whatsapp or something if parents want.

Other stuff:

- Budget (parents, keep in mind it will cost money to enter the building for each competition event so family expenses are not included in the budget; if you help move equipment, you do not pay *but* you will only see our performance but not the other schools')
- Packet information is required b/c we fall under CHASSA and are also an activity so need to fulfill requirements for everyone;
- Packet forms only cover marching band, will need to fill out forms if do other activities/sports;
- everyone fills out all forms so we don't have to worry about who filled out a volunteer form for such and such event
- Fees are determined by anticipated expenses and safe number of anticipated students in marching band, not fundraising b/c we can't depend on that money
- Budget surplus: rolled into operating budget for next year OR buy/fix equipment for current year; all goes back into the program, all money is student focused
- Compared to schools in the area, fees are \$400-500 cheaper
- **New Member band camp day is for ANYONE who has not done marching band at HRHS**
- Parent preview on 8/1 is on the track field, everything they learned during band camp, drill down competition, KONA ICE will be here (fundraiser)
- 6 football games this year, homecoming week has a ton of extra activities like parade, bonfire, keep an eye on calendar
- Regional competition is the **biggest** competition of the year b/c if we don't score high enough we don't move on. It falls during fall break, on Tuesday.
- Marching band banquet is a chili cook-off, fun and casual, November 2
- Link to calendar on hrhsbands.com
- Only state championships have charter buses, all other shows are parent/student driven
- All rehearsals are open so feel free to come at end to watch progress.
- Social activities planned during band camp: Parry's Pizza 7/26, and something for kids and something for parents 7/28 after band camp, preview day 8/1 5:30pm

Fundraisers

7/26 Parry's Pizza restaurant night, family social after band camp, 5-9pm, 20% of sales for the evening

8/1 Kona Ice 5-6:30pm

Halftime Help concessions: each family must sign up for at least one shift.

- % of concessions sold during HRHS home games, need 16 volunteers for each football game
- Manager training 8/7
- Signupgenius will be sent out when games are set
- Generally get \$7-9000 from concessions in a year!!

Lone Tree 4th of July event: received about \$3k for that event, we make \$500 from cotton candy sales

King Soopers: We get about \$2k/year for attaching HRHS to your shopping card

Scripps is called Raise Right: buy gift cards and a % goes back to band, electronic gift card is best, get ~\$200/yr

Yard signs: \$20/sign

8/12 Backyard Beats, Sweetwater Park

Qman 8/12 14th annual fundraiser for [Teaching the Autism Community Trades \(T.A.C.T.\)](#) to honor a past student, Quinton Sanford, who passed away.

Questions about band camp

Allow time to clean up equipment so end times are usually later than listed rehearsal times

Morning outside, afternoon inside

Going to get dirty, sweaty; plan like you would for any other camp day

Remind student to take care of themselves, marching takes a lot of physicality

It is HOT.

Bring food or drinks in a cooler if you want a cooler.

Please donate a case of water. We use them at events and games.

Answers to questions:

- Band camp pick up is mostly on time (5:00pm).
- In the past they could get PE credit for marching band. He doesn't know what they will decide this year about that. Right now, marching band counts as a varsity sport and 2 seasons of a varsity sport counts as a ½ credit. Have to submit forms and paperwork. Will not get it if your child has an off period.
- Uniform? Trying to match uniform to the show. Black marching shoes, we fit everyone for pants and shirt, show shirt will be our uniform shirt, aviator glasses, jackets; Color guard "gold" theme

Show this year: Golden State of Mind Think California, Beach Boys, San Francisco, Red Wood Forest, Hollywood

Next Booster Meeting: 8/21/23 5:30pm

Thank you to everyone who came! It was great meeting everyone and let us know if you have any further questions! Looking forward to another fun Marching Band season!