



**Tigard High School
Band Booster Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, September 15, 2021 / 7:00 pm / THS Libaray

Present

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| 1. Vikki Villarreal, President | 8. Dan Vystrcil | 16. Stephanie Hoke |
| 2. Sara Tye, Vice-President | 9. Melissas Cochran | 17. Jan Weiche |
| 3. Teresa Pearson, Co-Treasurer | 10. Kelley Ilic | 18. Allison Hajdu-Paulen |
| 4. Kristy Dana, Co-Treasurer | 11. Tina Yep | 19. Michelle Woodworth |
| 5. Kris Hilgaertner, Secretary | 12. Chris Rosenauer | |
| 6. Jim Irving, Band Director | 13. Kerri Bulter | <u>Absent</u> |
| 7. Kati McKee, Band Director | 14. Joi Dunn | 1. Jim Irving |
| | 15. Frank Bartoletta | |

Meeting started at 7:05pm.

Handouts: Agenda

AGENDA

1. Meeting Reminders and Dates
2. Treasurer Update
3. Football Game Volunteers
4. Band Competitions/Chuck Wagon
5. Craft Fair
6. Wreath Sales
7. Championship Event
8. Band Director Report

MEETING REMINDERS

Announced that Band Booster Meetings will be the third Wednesday of the month and reminders will be sent out the week before and posted on the Band Booster page. Minutes will be sent out the week after.

TREASURER UPDATE

1. \$5500 donation was received from the Tigard Balloon Festival, even though the event was cancelled and the Band Boosters did not volunteer their time. It was much appreciated!
2. Instructor expenses are coming up.
3. *Can and Bottle Drive*: Mike Pearson, the Lead for the Can and Bottle Drive, took a full truck load to the bottle drop and we should get a check for approximately \$1600 next week.

- a. If anyone would like the blue bags, contact Mike or email the band boosters at thsbandboosters@gmail.com to arrange to get some to you. Alternately, some blue bags will be put in the band room where students can take one home.
 - b. For those new to this opportunity, these are large transparent blue bags with a Band Booster sticker and bar code on them. As an alternate, or in addition to, the Saturday C&B Drives at THS, families can collect their own cans and bottles in that bag and drop it off at the Tigard Bottle drop on Hwy 99. ***You don't have to wait in line!*** Drive around the back, where there is a small door on the building about 4 feet off the ground. Scan the bar code from the bag in the scanner next to the door which will open the door for you to insert the bag. THS Band will get the credit.
4. The Band Boosters have applied for a \$10,000 grant from the district. There is no final word yet, but things are looking positive, Kati will let us know. If awarded, the grant would cover all of the student band fees for the year.
 5. Please have your kids volunteer for the monthly Can and Bottle drive. They will have fun and get to know the other band kids. Except for October, when there is a marching band competition on the same day, the drive is held in front of the band room at THS from 10am-2pm, second Saturday of the month.
 - a. An idea was suggested by Stephanie that the different bands volunteer for a different Saturday and do it together. For example, November would be marching band, December jazz band, January Concert/Symphonic Band, etc.

FOOTBALL GAME VOLUNTEERS

Vikki announced a volunteer opportunity at the football games, 2 parents per game. Parents usually sit at the top of the bleachers on the far left of the band section facing the field. They pass out the cheese at halftime, remind the kids to clean up after themselves after the game, etc.

MARCHING BAND COMPETITIONS

There are four competitions coming up, the first being October 13. It's an all-day event. You can buy tickets to watch your kids perform and compete. There are also volunteer opportunities to help back at base camp throughout the day. You can provide or help serve:

1. Breakfast snacks of juice and muffins, etc.
2. Snacks- fruit, cheese and crackers, granola bars, bottled water
3. Hot lunch- one lead person is needed to choose the meal and cook the main portion/course of it and others can volunteer to bring and serve sides.
4. The band owns a "Chuck Wagon" which is a camper that is towed in with a stove, oven and generator for power that is used to cook and serve.
5. If people prefer to cook at home and then keep warm/reheat in the wagon that also works.

CRAFT FAIR

The Band's annual Holiday Craft Fair is another big fundraiser for us that is held on the 1st Saturday in December. Many volunteers are needed this year as well as leads in:

1. Donations and Raffle
2. Concessions
3. Publicity

4. Volunteer Coordinator
5. Vendor Management
6. Set-up/Clean-up

Sign-up sheets were provided at the meeting. If you were not able to attend but wish to sign up for an area or two, email the boosters at thsbandboosters@gmail.com.

If you want to rent a booth, check McKee's Fabulous Forum webpage to sign up.

WREATH SALES

Each holiday season, the band also contracts with a local farm to sell wreaths, garlands, and swags. The quality is *superb* and the prices very good. Pre-orders start soon and the wreaths are picked up at tables outside the Craft Fair day.

When the flyer is released, please post to your social media sites to encourage sales. They must be pre-ordered as we do not order extras for same day sales. They are ordered in group batches which might leave a few available same day, but that should not be counted on. The band, of course, gets a portion of the sales. Also, the kids who sell the wreaths get a portion put to their own band accounts to cover fees or spring trips, etc.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT

Due to COVID and the usual location not being available, the main championship event for the year will be broken up into two smaller championship events. The two larger divisions, 3A and 4A will be held at Sherwood High School. The two smaller divisions, 1A (ours) and 2A will be held here at Tigard High School! This is an incredible opportunity for us and it will be all hands on deck to help pull it off. All band students are expected to be available on Saturday, October 30, no exceptions. Families are encouraged to clear their calendars as much help will be needed. Michelle and Kati will speak in more detail later in the meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Winter Drum Line is great opportunity in December, January, and February to try something new, outside your usual instrument. See Kati McKee for more details.

In alternate years, the band traditionally takes a trip to Disneyland where they march in the parade, have an amazing music clinic and recording with a Disney conductor, and all around have a great time. Costs are kept down as the planning and reserving is all done in house. The trip was cancelled last year. It is not clear yet whether it will be able to happen this year, but Kati is keeping her eyes out, and communicating with Disneyland and the hotel at which the band usually stays. Disney has opened up the process with projected spots in January. The school district is allowing travel currently, but no one can say what the spring will hold. The cost is usually round \$900 inclusive for the week. Chaperones are already in place with staffing but parents are welcome to travel with the band.

A parent asked what the sizes of the different bands are this year. Kati estimated 24 in marching band, 35ish in concert/symphonic and wasn't sure about Jazz or Wind Ensemble.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT INTRODUCTION BY KATI McKEE AND MICHELLE WOODSWORTH

Saturday, October 30, 2021. It's a mandatory performance for marching band, no matter what- job, family birthday etc. The entire band program is needed to make it work. We will need parents, too, as it takes *many* volunteers. It is a big fundraiser for the entire band program. There will be different volunteer roles between 7am and 10pm.

Sponsorships are needed to cover the \$5k needed to pay for the judges and their travel. More information will be coming. If you know businesses, there are opportunities for \$250, \$500, \$750 and \$1000 sponsorships with increasing benefits awarded the sponsor. A lead is needed to organize this area. Michelle will give support and guidance.

A graphics person is needed to design logo for program, posters, t-shirts, and also to design the program. Melissa mentioned she may know of someone and that will be pursued. If anyone not at the meeting knows of someone who has these abilities, or does it for a living (bonus if they would be willing to donate all or a portion of their expertise), please contact band boosters ASAP or contact Kati.

Michelle provided the Exec Board with a handout providing a breakdown of what will be needed for the event.

Attendees were reminded to sign-up on the sheets for various opportunities and needs.

Next Executive Board meeting: Wednesday, October 20 at 6:00 pm
Next Band BOOSTER meeting: Wednesday, October 20 at 7:00 pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.