



OE BAND BOOSTER MEETING MINUTES

Submitted for approval by: Kim Van Dyke

DATE: Tuesday, September 10, 2019

TIME: 7pm

LOCATION: Olathe East Band Room

PRE-MEETING ACTIVITIES

No pre-activities. Appx. 60 parents were in attendance.

BAND BOOSTER AGENDA TOPICS

Welcome

Meeting Minutes-

- April 2019 Booster Meeting Minutes Approved

Volunteer Opportunities-

- See section for Current Volunteer Opportunities Signups

Marching Season Basics-

- Long black socks (get multiple pairs since there is tendency for socks to be lost). All black and over the calf in length.
- Hair for male and females needs to be up, placed under the shako, and there should be no fly-away hairs. Marchers should arrive at call time with hair in place.
- Marchers should be drinking water every day stay hydrated during marching season.
- Forms for alternate transportation are PER EVENT not for the season.
- Mr. Smikahl said that gloves and dry fit shirts will not be available for Sept. 13th.

Get Connected:

- Check the website for the most up to date information. www.oeband.com
- Join the boosters private Facebook group (search for Olathe East Band Boosters- private booster page is different than the public band page).
- Email questions to band leadership at oebsbandboosters@gmail.com
- Follow us on Twitter, Instagram, and Snapchat

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Budget reviewed.
- Suggested Contributions are down are down compared to this time last year. If you would like to make your contribution, please go to oeband.com home page and click on the Pay Membership Online and follow directions. If you have financial concerns, speak to Mr. Smikahl.

NEW BUSINESS-

Due to Mr. Smikahl needing to discuss marching season and to leave time for parent questions, no new business was introduced.



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MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Smikahl provided the Music Director Report and had the following comments on current topics.

- Thank you to all parents that contributed their time and efforts for the Orange & Blue BBQ and Lincoln Test Drive which were both successful. Parents need to continue to sign up for Groom and Plume Chaperones, Hospitality, and Crew. Mr. Smikahl supported the boosters in requesting the parents to get involved in any way possible. Running an aggressive program like ours is not possible without our parent volunteers.
- We are now $\frac{2}{3}$ through the marching season with the last $\frac{1}{3}$ being competitions. Students have been working hard and making great progress.
- Although not Mr. Smikahl's favorite event- the Old Settlers Day Parade went very well and complimented the students on their playing.
- For the first time ever, the band will NOT be performing pre-game this season.
- Individual Football game performances are still being discussed as to whether the band will perform the show before or after the game.
- September 13th- Report time will be 5:00pm and buses will load at 5:30pm. The band will only perform the Opener and the Ballad not the Closer as details are still being worked on.
- September 21st- Parent Preview of Creep Crawl Slither Shed.
- September 26th- Senior Parent Night. Order of events and performances are still being determined.
- September 30th- Olathe District Marching Festival at CBAC. OE will be performing first.
- October 4th- Homecoming and Glow Show. Order of events: Show will be performed before the game, Homecoming Court will be at half-time, and Glow Show after the game.
- October 5th- Smith Cotton Competition in Sedalia. First time OE has attended this event. There will be one performance of the show mid-morning (TBD on time), Clinic early afternoon, and then band will board the bus and head home early giving students some extra time to prepare for Homecoming. Mr. Smikahl requests marchers participate in clinic since this is one of the advantages of this event.
- October 12th- Shawnee Mission North Competition. 2 performances. The first performance will be mid-afternoon and finals in the evening. This will be a late night.
- October 19th- KS Bandmasters Competition in Topeka. Most competitive competition of the season.
- October 26th- Olathe Marching Festival (OMI).
 - The goal has been met of having 13 bands sign up for the competition which is great for the first year.
 - There will be programs with advertising available so, reach out and try to find advertisers. Other revenue opportunities are: concessions, entry fees, and audience entrance fees.
 - OE and ONW will be performing shows as exhibition. TBD who will perform when.
 - A committee is in place and parents should be hearing more soon. Save the date since this event will take all parents to be successful.
- Football Playoff Games- Keep the end of October and November open for the chance of playoff games. OE will play at home games only.
- No emails will no longer come through Charms. Mr. Smikahl has converted to Gradebook emails. If you are not receiving emails need to update emails through the school office.
- **NEED- old twin sheets fitted or flat to use in place of the show prop vinyl's for practicing since vinyl's take too long to set up for practice.**



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- Percussion Parents Only: Indianapolis trip- info is slow in coming. The budget is still being finalized as to the cost per student. Anticipated dates: Wednesday, March 11th arriving home Saturday, March 14th late evening/early morning Sunday.

OLD BUSINESS (Items still outstanding from past meetings)

- Lincoln Test Drive numbers are still outstanding.
- Recruitment of new board members, chairs and co-chairs
- Band parents will need to start looking for big ticket items for February 2020 Bingo
- Looking ahead: Mr. Smikahl mentioned that in the future (not the next couple of years) that he would like the band program to invest in a semi-trailer so the annual expenses of renting a box truck could be removed. We could buy more trailers to pull but this would increase the need of parent drivers and personal vehicles being used. With the semi-trailer, we would hire a CDL driver to drive to all day competition events or BOA in St. Louis. Besides the semi-trailer costs there would be construction expenses to build out the inside of the trailer and custom painting for the outside of the trailer. The multi-level unit would hold all percussion instruments and band instruments and equipment.

BOOSTER FUNDRAISING EVENTS

If you have any ideas for fundraisers please contact a Booster member or email oehsbandboosters@gmail.com.

Happening now- Fall Final Survival Kits are gearing up for sales

Coming soon-

- Cookie Dough Fundraiser for student accounts.
- Percussion Fundraisers for Indianapolis. Possible that arrangements will be made with Hen House for sacking. Students to earn funds for their band accounts.

CURRENT VOLUNTEER SIGNUP OPPORTUNITIES

- Groom and Plume Chaperones
- Hospitality
- Water
- Coming Soon: Olathe Marching Festival

Mr. Smikahl will be sending a links in emails and these are also posted on oeband.com members only section. Password Hawks or find the Signup Button on the Home Page of oeband.com.



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UPCOMING EVENTS UNTIL NEXT BOOSTER MEETING

9/13- Football Game CBAC

9/26- Football Game CBAC Senior Night

9/30- Olathe District Marching Festival CBAC

10/4- Football Game CBAC Homecoming and Glow Show

10/5- Marching Competition Smith Cotton Sedalia

NEXT BAND BOOSTER MEETING

Tuesday, October 8th, 2019 7:00pm in the Band Room.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

POST-MEETING ACTIVITIES

Sold Orange & Blue Brigade Crew shirts for \$15.00 to parents that will be volunteering during marching season.