

Falcon Band Booster Club
January 11, 2024
Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome and Attendance

Meeting called to order by Larry Rupp at 7:01pm. Quorum is present.

2. Officer Reports

a. President – Larry Rupp

i. Status of big rig

Mr. Pearce talked to Mr. Goodwin. The broken down rig is sitting somewhere in CCISD. He is going to have to wait for district funds to roll over in September to have funds to help purchase a new one for Lake Band. We will continue to try to sell the old one as is or for scraps. Rigs need to be run once a month at highway speeds for upkeep. Mr. Goodwin is committed to getting us a quality tractor when funds roll over.

b. 1st VP Fundraising – Julie Sosa

- i. Truck logos- Joy says logos weren't put on the trailer and we accepted money. She had asked Julie to contact the companies who donated money. Mr. Pearce says we need to get logos started much earlier for next year. Start now and honor the ones from last year for next year. Get all sponsors done before next year and print all logos on one sheet before the beginning of football season. Set a deadline for around August 1st depending on how long it takes to print the sheet. Sam Draper suggested having flyers at Megaband for parents to begin soliciting donations. Chris Rylant suggested having some more fundraisers to help raise money to supplement sponsorships. She suggests forming a fundraising committee. Put in Band Buzz looking for interest in being on the committee and advertise at Megaband. More parents are needed as volunteers. We need to reach out to parents during events where more parents are present. Sam Draper stated that raising more money can help with band fees amounts which are increasing each year. Chris Rylant volunteered to talk to parents at Megaband.

c. 2nd VP Communications – Chris Hare

Buzz getting out and he's working on keeping the website up to date as best as possible.

d. Secretary – Lisa Stiles

Meeting minutes for this year and previous years are on the website -
<https://www.clhsband.org/meeting-minutes.html>

e. Treasurer – Joy King

- i. Financial Report - Nov 3, 2023 – Jan 11, 2024

Income from this report includes the band competition and the November fundraisers.

Profit

US Bands Competition- \$9,802.82

Fundraisers

Poinsettias- \$1,701.06

Butterbraids- \$1,593.40

Financial Report – Nov 3, 2023 – Jan 11, 2024

FBBC Checking:

Beginning Balance:	\$46,628.95
Income:	\$24,026.74
Expenses:	\$6,243.03
Available balance as of 10/5/23:	\$64,412.66

FBBC Savings:

Beginning Balance:	\$12,412.61
Income:	\$31.73
Expenses:	\$249.80
Available balance as of 10/5/23:	\$12,194.54

Savings account- last meeting we moved money from savings to checking. Officers voted to do this.

Mr. Pearce had additional expenses. Mr. Goodman usually sends us money as seed money to start up next years marching season but hasn't this year. The directors need to put down deposits to lock in the marching program designer for next year's program. Color guard is saving money for costumes so money can be moved from there. Sam asked about booster being reimbursed the \$5000 that is usually paid by the district. She was asking for planning of the budget for next year. Does that fee need to be added to the budget or will the district give that money again?

Amendments

Joy King made a motion to accept the following amendments:

Income

Category	Current Budget	Amendment	New Budget Amount
Corporate Donations and Grants Income	\$550	\$3,918.00	\$4,468.30
Membership Income	\$4,100	-\$143	\$3,957
Other Income	\$100	\$656	\$756
Band Competition Income	\$13,900	\$2800	\$16,700
Butter Braids Income	\$2,500	-\$834	\$1,666
Poinsettias Income	\$3,000	\$560	\$3,560
Mattress Sale Income	\$3,000	-\$2,292	\$708
Crazy Sock Income	\$2,000	-\$2000	\$0
Spirit Items Income	\$3500	-\$1085	\$2415

Contest and Game Meals Income	\$20,600	\$483	\$21,083
Uniform Income	\$38,450	\$1,688	\$36,762
Total Income	\$191,070	\$375	\$191,445

Expenses

Category	Current Budget	Amendment	New Budget Amount
Administrative Expense	\$500	\$15	\$515
Postage Expense	\$225	-\$15	\$210
Percussion Instruction	New	\$2063	\$2063
Colorguard Instruction	New	\$5000	\$5000
Contest Fee Expense	\$800	\$250	\$1050
Winterguard Entry Fee Expense	\$650	\$20	\$670
Winter Guard Props,Flags, Floor Expense	\$4500	-\$3000	\$1500
Winter Guard Program Design Expense	\$3000	\$1185	\$4185
Band Competition Expense	\$5800	\$741	\$6541
Butter Braids Expense	\$0	\$73	\$73
Poinsettias Expense	\$2000	-\$141	\$1859
Bites at the Lake Expense	New	\$125	\$125
Contest and Game Meals Expense	\$20,800	-\$4145	\$16,655
Popsicles Expense	\$300	-\$4	\$296
Uniform Expense (current year)	\$19,700	-\$583	\$19,117
Show Props Expense	\$7500	-\$4209	\$3291
Show Props Expense (deposit for next year)	New	\$3000	\$3000
Total Expenses	\$191,070	\$375	\$191,445

Amendments reflect the actual income, add categories, and balance the budget.

The motion was seconded by Sam Draper. The motion passed.

The 990 was filed by the certified account.

Joy paid Texas sales tax for last year.

The props (Fans) are stored in the trailer and the directors would like to sell them. Chris Hare asked for good close up pictures of the prop and he will post on Band Props Facebook Marketplace

3. Committee reports for last month activities.
 - a. Poinsettias Sales – Joy King reported that about \$1700 raised.

- b. Butter Braid Sales – Joy King reported that about \$1,600 was raised.

Mattress was a whole lot less than last year. Poinsettia and Butterbraids were better fundraisers. Mr. Pearce indicated that if orchestra does with fundraiser next year we will participate. It does not require any work from the band.

4. Committee reports for upcoming activities

- a. Bites at the Lake - Feb 15th – Larry Rupp

Larry went to restaurants and got 7 yeses. In the past there were usually about 20 restaurants. Larry will work on getting more restaurants and will follow up with the ones he talked to. We need to have closer to 15 places.

Tickets will cost about \$25 each. Price may change depending on the number of restaurants. Larry needs volunteers to help reach out to restaurants. Chris Rylant is working on getting bids for the banquet and will look at who did Bites at the Lake in the past.

- b. Band Banquet - May 10th (6pm- 10pm)– Chris Rylant- UHCL has penciled us in for May 10th. They can't host for free so the cost to have the banquet at UHCL will be \$800. The theme is Greco Roman and Chris is looking into Italian Restaurants. Chris is trying to save money on decorations by borrowing decorations. Parents will organize food, decorations and band video. Kids take care of everything else. Seniors get a book and cookies with their names (Senior gift), Mr. Pearce takes care of awards. Seniors eat for free. Banquet attendees are mostly kids and senior parents. There are 31-33 seniors this year. Sam Draper will reach out to the previous Banquet Chair to get information from last year. Chris will form and meet with a committee to plan to solidify plans. She will also look into having it in the CLHS Cafeteria. We would only have to pay for custodial services. The ticket prices will be determined by the expenses so the cost is not known yet.

5. Other activities, concerns, news from chairs / parents

6. Upcoming events

- a. Megaband – Jan 20th

Mr. Pearce was able to reserve the facilities for the event this year. It will be held in the gym and band hall. Megaband is a time for incoming 8th grade band students and high school band kids to play fun music and socialize and then perform for parents. The purpose is to promote band and get junior high kids interested before course selections. Booster club will have representatives there to promote band and answer questions for parents. The Booster Club will purchase pizza.

- b. UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest – Feb 3rd (Hosting event, Student payment of \$12 by Jan 12th)

Lake is hosting the contest. Payments are due on January 12th. The cost is \$12 per student for Solo entries and \$12 per student for Ensemble entries. Mr. Pearce needs volunteers to feed judges. All Wind Ensemble students will have solos and all Ensembles will play.

c. Spring Trip – Feb 16th – 20th (5th payment due Jan 19th)

The itinerary will be coming out soon. Room assignments sign up will be at next payment Jan 19th for those who are up-to-date with payments.

7. Directors' Comments

Concert band rehearsals are beginning soon.

Region Band was in December and 35 students made Region Band. Ten of those students advanced to Area. Oliver Lampson placed first at Area and advanced to State for the 3rd time.

A new fundraiser selling coffee and tumblers will be starting tomorrow. Kids will be sending out text messages.

8. Next Meeting – Thursday, Feb 1st

9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm.