

**Clear Lake High School
Falcon Band Booster Club
General Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2023**

7:05 pm Larry started meeting.

Officer Reports

Larry Rupp, President

- ***New Officers:*** We need some new officers - secretary, VP-communications have seniors this year. When asking what skills would be helpful for the new communications person, Mr. Pearce said familiarity with Smore would be helpful but not necessary.

Sam Draper commented that we need a nominating committee. Larry said he would ask for the next Band Buzz to include a list of open positions. It was also suggested to talk to some parents chaperoning the San Antonio trip. Sherry Curran has offered to take over the chaperone position and she might be a good contact person since she knows a lot of parents.

We will elect new officers during the May general meeting (maybe the concert if we cannot get a quorum at a meeting).

- ***Crazy Socks fundraiser*** was replaced by Popcorn & More. Mr. Pearce said we can do the crazy socks, too, but Joy said we are in pretty good shape financially. Mr. Pearce asked how we were doing on funds for the big rig and Joy said we are in good shape with the savings account.
- ***Samuel McBurnett Memorial Fund:*** The family has not made a decision yet on how they want to use the funds and, if a scholarship, what the criteria would be. The funds will not be available until June because they were put in a CD to better earn interest.

Rebecca Garland, VP Communications

Not present but said to convey the Buzz was going well.

Jeanine Rainer, Secretary

The minutes first went out with the January 22, 2022 Band Buzz. There were no comments on the minutes.

Joy King, Treasurer

Notes on income and expenses:

- \$339 sent in lieu of popcorn fundraiser participation
- \$5,100 from U.S. Bands
- \$1,669 from popcorn fundraiser (not crazy socks, as it indicates on the report)
- \$5,830 for percussion techs and expenses – These funds went to reimburse expenses the band paid through the year.
- \$3,480 for WinterGuard floor

- \$2,500 for WinterGuard program design

FBBC Checking

Beginning Balance:	\$37,271.11
Income:	\$7,206.30
Expenses:	\$13,970.68
Available on hand as of 03/08/23:	\$30,506.73

FBBC Savings

Beginning Balance:	\$26,213.39
Income:	\$10.59
Expenses:	\$0
Samuel McBurnett Memorial Fund (CDs)	\$5,594.83
Available on hand as of 03/08/23:	\$31,818.81

- Mr. Pearce warned that next year's marching show expenses will likely be more. They are using a different, more expensive design team and props should be more expensive, too. They have the first two productions of the show already in.
- They are expecting a max of 60 freshmen next year. He said they typically get about 80% of 8th grade band kids.
- Mr. Pearce asked how much we ended up earning from U.S. Bands. Joy said we took in almost \$14K and paid out about \$5K so around \$9K.
- Next year the U.S. Bands competition we are hosting will be on September 30th.
- Larry Rupp asked if there was a way to stage snacks after recitals, etc. so there are some available after Wind Ensemble. Some replied they thought there was some available after the end of the ensemble recitals.

Agenda Items

Chrystal Limon, Band Banquet

- She reached out to Bernie Streeter last Monday. Bernie is waiting on confirmation that we get the space, which is still available, and what the cost might be. She has not heard back from her.
- The date of the band banquet is May 13th. Last year's attendance was about 325 and she expects similar numbers.
- She asked if we could ask in the Buzz for parents to help. She also plans on meeting with band leadership in 5th period to see what they want in terms of a theme, etc. Mr. Pearce said they have already solicited suggestions from the band.

John Pearce, Director's Comments

- There is a jazz band and percussion concert tomorrow at 7 PM.
- We are hosting UIL on April 14-15 for varsity
- Wind Ensemble has pre-UIL on April 3rd.
- Mr. Pearce said the jazz band is doing a contest at Falls on April 1st. It is their first year doing it. They will perform first and then work with a clinician and then go to Kemah to perform.

- Spring Trip: We'll depart around 5:30 a.m. and go to Davenport High School to perform. Concert and Symphonic bands will be combined and will play Concert band music. Wind Ensemble will play and we will go to Bubba Gump's for lunch. In the afternoon, we'll take a bus tour of the missions and then go to Tejas Rodeo for dinner and line dancing.

Saturday is all day at Fiesta Texas and on Sunday they will spend the day at Sea World and leave in time to be home by 10 p.m.

79 students are signed up for the trip.

Larry Rupp adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Members Present: Yulia Berry, Sam Draper, Lisa Stiles, Dawn Duncan, Joy King, Chrystal Limon, John Pearce, Jeanine Rainer, Larry Rupp