



Boiling Springs Band Booster Club
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday – November 14, 2023

The meeting was opened at 7:02 pm by Tripp Bishop, President.

Handouts at meeting: Meeting Minutes, Financial Summary, Event Calendar

From Tripp Bishop: President

- We will start the meeting with our election process. Ballots will be handed out to members in good standing.
- Minutes and Finances have been approved.
- This year has been the busiest that the board has been in a long time.
- The status on our truck is still pending. We want to put the money towards the band before the truck.
- We are looking at numerous fundraising options, as it takes a lot for all of the activities that our kids are involved in.
- Our school board will not provide funds to help with items that the boosters own.

From Mr. Scarabino: Band Director

- Mr. Scarabino addressed the fact that the BSMS band concert was on the same night as the Jazz Concert.
 - BSMS students need to attend their concert. They can then join us for the Jazz performance.
- The date for the 30th was set by all of the Fine Arts Department.
 - We will participate in a walking assemble the next day
- Jazz Band does not have a comprehensive class project - we have to practice outside of regular school time.
 - We will practice in January and February.
 - We will go to a Jazz Festival at the beginning of March.
 - We will not meet in March
 - We will start back up after spring break.
 - We will perform a final performance in May
- Kids can ride the activity bus from the Middle School as long as there is room available.
- Kids end marching band season on a high note.
 - They had a great performance at Colleton County, to bring the whole season full circle.
- The show for 2024 is already under construction.
 - The design team that we brought in this year, we have a recurring contract with them for 4 more years.
- We need to focus on Solo Ensemble, Region Band, All State and our wind bands.
- Jazz Band just started up.
 - Last year we had 30 to 35 kids and 2 bands.
 - This year we have had 55 kids in the last 2 days.
 - It is nice to get away from the competitive season, and focus on music and having fun.



- Practice schedule is a little crazy leading up to Thanksgiving break, but we need to be prepared for the 30th.
- In January we will split into 2 comprehensive jazz bands. Students are not chosen based on performance. Band directors take turns picking students to mix them up.
- The Fine Arts concert on the 30th will feature Concert Band, Chorus, Orchestra and Jazz Band.
- Wintergaurd started today.
 - We will have 2 competitive groups this year.
 - We had 50 students try out. 32 students were from marching Band.
 - We had great recruitment for the auditions.
- It is great working together with Akeem From Chesnee to promote and grow together.
 - We will perform together with Chesnee for the Boiling Springs and Chesnee parades.
 - Boiling Springs will perform in the Spartanburg parade. We will be performing at the Marriott, and then continue on in the parade.
- I am excited to be starting an Indoor Percussion group. We will be collaborating with Chesnee.
 - The season is very comparable to Wintergaurd.
- The master schedule is very daunting to look at. If you would like the schedule for just your student, please reach out to me.
- We had 23 students selected for the Furman Honor Band clinic this weekend.
- Our Jazz night is April 26th, and our band banquet is scheduled for May 14th.
- We will be doing band pictures, but there are several options. Just looking into the best option at this time.

From Velecia Whitfield:

- A question was raised about Band Fees on the budget form.
 - Band Fees are donations that are made to the band for scholarships.
 - Transportation underneath that is money that the boosters assisted Scarabino with to finalize his budget.
 - There was a question about the budget not matching. Velecia explained that there was money left over from the previous year. Once that money was added into this new budget, everything was equal.

From Mr. Stepp:

- The results for next years Booster Board are as follows:
 - President - Tripp Bishop
 - 1st Vice President - Kayla Goucher
 - 2nd Vice President - Dan Gordon
 - Treasurer - Velecia Whitfield
 - Secretary - Mindy Cerul

Next meeting –January 16th, 2024, in The Band Room

Tripp Bishop thanked everyone for coming. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by: Mindy Cerul

Number in attendance: 41