

West Rowan Band Booster Meeting – August 25, 2015

President Kelli Doyle greeted all members in attendance and called the meeting to order.

The Minutes from the last Booster Meeting were previously posted on the website for review and were accepted.

Kelli mentioned that last Friday, Aug. 21st, was our first away game, and the band did great! Mr. Kennedy was one of our bus drivers, and he complimented the wonderful behavior of our band kids on the bus.

Kelli passed out band calendars, passed around volunteer clipboards for anyone wishing to help, and pointed out that this Friday, August 28th is our first home game.

Tina (Food Committee Chair) thanked everyone for their food donations so far. Our kids did great during band camp because they were fed and hydrated. We still need donations of food and drink throughout the season, so if anyone is interested in volunteering contact Tina or Jennifer Watson. We have the main meal menus lined up for all of the regular games, but we will need more if we make it to the playoffs. However, we always need drinks and desserts for meals. This Friday we will serve Dominoes pizza for dinner. If anyone knows of any restaurants willing to donate to us for playoff games or competitions, please contact Tina McCort, Jennifer Watson, or Kelli Doyle.

Cindy (Chaperone Chair) thanked the chaperone volunteers for the first away game. Our band kids were great! We always need chaperones to ride the buses for away games, competitions and parades. If you are interested in chaperoning for an away event, please contact Cindy Nooner since there are a limited number of chaperones we can take.

Keith (Pit Crew Chair) stressed that we need help with away events and loading of equipment. We need help pulling (towing) the trailer, but we need to know who is helping the Monday prior to the game. Keith will

send out a text the Friday before the away event and needs to know who will be able to help by the next Monday. Pit Crew volunteers handle front ensemble instruments, secure them to the carts, and transport them to and from the field during home games and competitions. They also load the trailer before away performances and setup any props on the field for performance. Keith said the pit carts still need to be washed and painted before competitions begin. If anyone is interested in helping, please see Keith Doyle.

Gayla (Merchandise Tent) said merchandise sales are going great! Home games are huge for the merchandise tent. We still need some more volunteers. We setup the Merchandise tent at Open Houses (usually 4 a year), home Varsity Football games, some home JV football games, and the Tomato Festival. Volunteers are needed to work for half of the football games. The first shift (3 people) begins at 6:30 and ends at the beginning of the second half. The second shift (3 people) starts at the beginning of the second half and ends when the game is over and everything is packed up. If anyone is interested in helping in the Merchandise tent please see Gayla Long or Dana Robertson.

Gayla (Meal Servers) said we need parents each event to come and help serve the meals to the band students. Servers setup tables, set out the food, serve the students, and clean up. The time will vary depending upon the location of the football game or event. This week servers need to be here at 5:15. If you are interested in meal serving, please contact Gayla Long.

Jason (Treasurer) went over the Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and accepted.

Jason made a motion that we move our bank account from Fidelity Bank to BB&T. This switch will make it much more convenient for Jason to make the banking transactions during the course of Jason's work week. Jason works out of town and doesn't have a Fidelity Bank near his place of work.

Kelli asked if we could vote on making the switch from Fidelity to BB&T.

Kelli Doyle stated, "All in favor, say aye."

Kelli then stated, "All opposed, say nay."

It was unanimous! It passed, and we will switch our banking accounts to BB&T.

Patrick Karriker (Trivette's intern) introduced himself to us. He is a graduate from Catawba College. He is assisting Trivette with band this year and is also organizing a special fundraiser. SCHOOLA is a neat fundraiser that will benefit the band when we all donate "gently" used items. You can go online to Schoola.com and request a bag to benefit West Rowan High School. The bag will be mailed to your home, and then you simply put items in the bag, seal it, and mail the postage paid bag to Schoola. Schoola will send the bag to you free, and they will pay the postage when you mail your items to them. Schoola takes photos of the items and displays them on the website. Once someone purchases the items, we get 40% of the proceeds. This could be a great fundraising opportunity for the band. If you don't want to request a bag from Schoola, you can just send your items to Mr. Karriker and we will mail them to Schoola.

Trivette Time:

Trivette reminded everyone to frequent the Weebly page to see what's happening in the band world. Almost everything gets noted on the Weebly page! Also please make sure you are signed up for the Remind 101 notices, and friend us on Facebook.

We are planning a 5th grade dance for Friday night, Sept. 4th, for Hurley, Mt. Ulla, Woodleaf, and Cleveland. We will have it in the 400 building from 6:30-8:30. Amber Furr is going to help chair this event. Trivette and Amber have already contacted the elementary schools.

We will charge each elementary student \$5 to get in, and they will receive one slice of pizza and a drink. We will also sell additional pizza, drinks,

snacks, and miscellaneous items.

We will have to secure one chaperone for each 10 elementary students, so if you are interested in chaperoning please see Cindy Nooner.

Chaperones need to be here by 6:00 pm.

Trivette reminded us about the Fall Concert on Oct. 27th and the Prism Concert on Dec. 17th for concert band students.

There has been a Varsity football game schedule change. We will be playing East Rowan on Thursday, Oct. 15th, at East Rowan. It was previously scheduled for the Friday.

Trivette asked if anyone was interested in being in charge of aluminum recycling. Wesley volunteered.

Trivette explained how to electronically sign the Band Syllabus.

Picture forms have to be in by Sept. 4th.

Next Open House is scheduled for Sept. 22nd.

Trivette reviewed the ATV Raffle. We sold 143 so far. Tickets are \$20 each or buy 5 and get one free.

Last note, the district put a large sum of money in for the band to be able to get SmartMusic on the laptops. Trivette demonstrated the amazing benefits of the software. Ask your student to show you the software and help them to utilize this wonderful tool.

The next Band Booster meeting is scheduled for Sept. 15th.

Kelli thanked everyone for their attendance, and the meeting was closed.

