



MINUTES

General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, February 11, 2020 | 6:30pm | Johnson HS Band Hall

Call to Order/Approval of Minutes/Treasurer Report

- President Ida Musgrove called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.
- Review and approval of prior general membership meeting minutes was done electronically by Clover Clamons, Tammie Miller and Melissa Frensley. Reviewed that minutes and agendas are available for review on website www.johnsonbands.com. Joanne Jarrett, Karen Graham and Cathy Severance volunteered to review meeting minutes for this meeting.
- Ida Musgrove provided the Treasurer Update on behalf of Diana Morones. Previous balance was \$28,985.37. Current balance is \$28,548 after income and expenses.

Discussion/Committee Reports

- **Brian Lee, Vertical Fundraiser Presentations: Kick off March 3rd.** Overview of the 2nd Band Program Fundraiser, not sponsored by Band Boosters. Online Snap/Fund Team type online donation request platform. Event will begin on 3/3 and last for 21 days.
 - *Keys to success:*
 - Send students with a handwritten list of 20 email addresses to add online when they create their profiles.
 - Parental support is critical. Share with FB, Twitter, text and email. (Email addresses are not stored, saved or used again once the event is over.)
 - Donations are tax deductible and any amount allowed (set amounts for easy click donations but also allow custom amounts).
 - Band earns flat 80% of proceeds, no additional fees, participation guidelines, prize fees, etc.
 - Could be a significant fundraiser. Bowie Band earned over \$75K this year. We'd love \$20K.
- **Spirit Gear:** Spirit Gear update provided. Current design is being sold tonight.
- **Spirit Night:** No update yet on Jan 22 event. Total earned from all Spirit Nights to date is \$2,254.81.
 - *Upcoming schedule of events:*
 - Sat. Feb 22 8am-11am Helen's Casa Alde
 - Sat. March 14 4-8pm Chipotle Southpark Meadows
 - Thurs. April 16 4-8pm Louie's BBQ, Buda
 - Thur. May 14 10:30am-10pm Mod Pizza Kyle
 - May take June/July off depending on membership preferences.
- **TCGC Committee:** JHS to host Texas Color Guard Circuit (TCGC), 2/29
 - Volunteers update: Keep signing up via sign up genius. Overview of event. Some students may be allowed to volunteer based on need and capabilities. This will not be an open sign up as

we want to make the best impression so we earn an event next year. Potential placement could include runners assigned to guards, runners for JHS event staff needs, floor crew, possible concessions. Potential of 16 students.

- o **Donations** from all band students have been requested. Each family should provide at least ONE CASE (12 count) of the following:
 - Flutes: Sprite, 12 oz.
 - Bb and Bass Clarinets: Dr. Pepper, 12 oz.
 - Saxophones (alto, tenor and bass): Coke, 12 oz.
 - Brass (trumpet, french horn, euphonium, trombone): Chips (multi-pack, snack size)
 - Percussion/Double Reeds: Gatorade, 12 oz
 - Color Guard: candy (M&M's, Snickers, Skittles, AirHeads, etc)
 - Donations should be sent to JHS Band Hall with your student anytime before Friday, Feb. 21st.
 - FYI - this event is voted on by the TCGC members and could be a significant fundraiser for JHS Band Boosters if done right. 43 guards are currently registered for our event but larger ones (ie. Georgetown last weekend) had 60+ so there is significant upside potential. JHS performs at our event so please come support our guard.
- **Winter Guard:** Melinda Flores is chair of committee. Ida provided an update. Help will be needed for guard competitions on items such as floor crew, uniform washing and meal plans have been created - similar to marching season competitions.
- **New Business:**
 - o **Fundraising Event at Buck's Backyard, May 8th (Christi Townsend, VP Fundraising):** JHS Band Boosters will host a community event at Buck's Backyard with a band and silent auction. We are seeking a committee of people to help organize, determine and hire a band, coordinate and solicit the silent auction, etc. Estimates on fundraising potential is \$10k.
 - Christi has vision and many specifics already determined but is seeking help to fine tune and solicit donations for silent auction. Each section will create a silent auction basket but we will also need community donations, etc. Would like 1 volunteer per section please. Contact Christi at vpfundraising@johnsonbands.com to get involved.
 - o **Band Banquet:** Time to begin planning our year end Band Banquet for the students! Tammie Miller and Jackie Hooks will be points on coordinating this. Potential dates to investigate holding the event are April 17, April 18, May 2, May 9 or May 15. More to come! Please contact Tammie or Jackie (or president@johnsonbands.com) to get involved.

Directors Report – Mr. Joey Lucita

- Great showing at *Solo & Ensemble* competitions with over 50 students auditioning, 30 earning superior ratings and 10 advancing to state competitions which will be held after school is out.
- *Winter Guard* is doing amazing. They earned 2nd place in first competition in Regional A and scored so high they were bumped up a division to Regional AA for last weekend's competition where they earned 1st place. Realignment happens weekly and it is very unusual to receive more than 1 division improvement in a year. Great job Guard!
- The *Dallas Spring Band Trip* is open again until Friday only. There is room for about 8-10 more individuals (parents or students) to fill the remaining space. This will allow the cost to remain as advertised and not see a slight increase, etc. About 60 students between Band and Choir are registered. To accommodate the trip and qualify per district guidelines, a performance must take place. Mr. Lucita is hoping to schedule a clinic at the PAC for full band the Friday morning of the trip. This will then allow students to leave on trip after the clinic is over and students not going on trip to return to school. More details and final schedule to come closer to trip dates.

- *Hawaii Trip 2022*: Review of details. Trip will be over Spring Break 2022. The goal is to keep the costs at \$2k or less per participant. Band will stay on/near the beach (walking distance or across the street) and will have a performance at Pearl Harbor (USS Arizona or deck of the USS Missouri), attend a luau, island tour, north shore, Dole Plantation, hike Diamond Head, snorkeling, have beach time/free time/shopping time. There will be a senior event planned during the trip as well. Families (in addition to chaperones) will be welcome to come and will stay in a separate hotel and be able to follow band activities or do their own sightseeing (great family trip and you can come and go to items you want with the band). Band students and chaperones will follow the band agenda exclusively. Fundraising will begin soon and will involve participation by all students eligible to attend (ie anticipate next year events specific to the Hawaii Trip that would include participation by 11th-8th grade band students). Event fundraising will be used to reduce the price for the total group of student attendees and cannot be done to reduce individual event costs due to statute requirements.
- *Summer Band Camps*: School hosted band events will begin soon including our incoming freshman. Percussion marching camp is already underway. Please note that the band calendar (available at [johnsonbands.com](https://www.johnsonbands.com)) is already updated with may dates for summer band 2020.
 - Students wanting to attend an area band camp over the summer are highly encouraged to do so. A list of recommended national and local camps approved by the directors is posted at <https://www.johnsonbands.com/summer-camps>.

Wrap Up/Announcements/Upcoming Dates

- Thank you to all of the current Middle School Band parents for being in attendance.
- Prize drawing was done.
- Upcoming Dates
 - Tuesday, March 10 @ 6:30 Band Boosters General Membership Meeting at JHS Band Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.