

FHS BAND BOOSTER MEETING
MAY 12, 2009

➤Michelle Yocum called meeting into order. The minutes from the February meeting were read and approved. The treasurer report was read and a motion was made and seconded to approve.

➤The director's report was given:

- Mr. Harper recognized and expressed appreciation to Dave Rader for 10 years service as treasurer. Thanks were also given to other parents who made our successful year possible.

- Mr. Harper discussed the Parade of Champions and the honors recognized. He also brought it to our attention the fact that it was one high school student (Blake Bearden) who put the whole thing together and did all the planning.

- Mr. Harper thanked the Board & Boosters for their help and noted we had a great year.

- Mr. Harper discussed the new high school and Performing Arts Center. He spoke about how nice the new facility will be. All rehearsal facilities will be housed in the PAC and it will be a "state of the art" facility. Even though we enjoy performing at the Walton Arts Center it is very expensive and difficult to reserve. Many people expressed concerns about the parking at the new high school. There will still be approximately 900 parking spaces which are close to what we have now. There should not be a reduction in the number of parking spaces that we currently use for Razorback parking.

- The Band looks to be identical in size to this year's group. We plan to travel to St. Louis next year to compete in the marching contest at the TWA Dome. Mr. Harper also discussed meeting with the production team for the marching show and how creative they are. They are working on choreographing two very "Wow" moments during the show with the theme, "Blue". He promises an amazing show next fall.

- Mr. Harper asked for a committee to be formed to feed the band during summer practices. He asked that we get a chair person to handle possibilities including "take out", cooking on site, etc.

- Mr. Harper reminded everyone to check the web site even during the summer and watch for notices, schedules, changes, etc.

- Mr. Harper thanked Michelle Yocum and Dave Rader for their hard work and job well done.

- Mr. Harper handed the meeting over to Booster President, Michelle Yocum

➤Michelle motioned the appointment of new Booster Officers:

Count Darling - President
Dana Ciaravino - Vice President
Nelda Allen - Secretary
Rick Hall - Treasurer

Motion was second and approved.

➤ Count Darling's report

- Count is concerned about 2 to 3 year down turn in motivation. He said we have to rally support for fund raising.

- Michelle Yocum will still handle the seat backs.

- Rick Hoyt is stepping down from the concession duty and we need a replacement. Rick mentioned the operation problems we have in concession stands. The bathrooms need repair. He also mentioned the need for coolers and warmers for a menu with a better variety to draw customers and compete with the other concession stand.

- Count again mentioned the need to rally parents and students to raise money. 90% of Band Boosters responsibly are raising money for the band. Recruit help

- Count handed the meeting back to Michelle.

➤Michelle- Think of summer fund raisers if possible.

- Reminder - School starts August 19th

- First Booster meeting for 2009 - 2010 will be held August 28th.

- Seat backs will be mid-September this year. We need people to get involved so they will have the experience with their kids. Invite other parents to volunteer.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana Ciaravino for Nelda Allen, Secretary