

SONORA BAND BOOSTERS MEETING MINUTES

FROM November 5, 2013

Call to order:

- President Rivers called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Minutes:

- Recognized error with the start time (8:00pm) of tonight's meeting the minutes. Correction noted.
- It was moved, seconded and voted to approve the minutes.

President's Report:

- Welcome parents to our monthly Band Boosters meeting!
- A motion was made to begin the monthly booster meetings at 6:00pm during the winter months. It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve this new start time. We will try this for the next couple of months.
- On behalf of the Sonora Band Boosters Club, I would like to say thank you to our parents who have paid their "fair share" donation. The Band Boosters Club is a Non-Profit 501 (c)3 corporation, and we are funded by donations and fundraisers. Donations to our organization are tax deductible!
- It is the time of year for our fundraisers! Our current Cookie Dough fundraiser will be ending soon, and I would like to thank our students and parents for their support of the band and color guard.
- A big thank you to our volunteers helping with their time, vehicles, and preparing the band and color guard squad with their uniforms and necessary props for our games, parades, and field shows. The drinks and snacks participation has been wonderful, and everyone enjoys the refreshments at the end of the parade! Thank you again for your help and support of the band boosters!
- Our Band and Color Guard website is being updated frequently; for more information please visit www.sonorahighband.com and I will continue to send reminders via email as needed for our upcoming events. Please let me know if you would like to be added to the contact list to receive these email messages.

Treasurer's Report:

- We have made multiple deposits this month. All of our outstanding balances have been paid, including all of the marching band apparel purchased last month from our students.

Director's Report:

- I have not received any bus invoices from the district as of yet. They will probably be coming around the beginning of the year.
- I would like to add my sentiment to Mike Rivers statement of thanking all of our volunteers for the games and parades. We seriously cannot make this happen without the help of our volunteers and band booster organization!
- Early release this coming Wednesday the 6th. This Friday will be our last football game of this year. Call time of 5:30 pm at Sonora High School.
- Our call time for the La Palma parade this Saturday will be 6:30am at Sonora. Our performance is at 10:30am, and parent pick up time will be around 3:20pm. We start just north of Lincoln on Walker, and will be ending at Kennedy High School. Bus will drop off just before the starting point, and we will have to leave to park at Kennedy HS for the awards.
- I am really trying to encourage our students to wash their gloves and shoelaces for the parade this weekend. If this can be done, it will expedite us preparing for the parade.
- Monday the 11th is no school (Veteran's Day). Monday the 12th is no scheduled rehearsal.
- Arcadia is the 16th of this month; we will not be attending this year; but the band students and parents can watch the festivities for free. Transportation is up to the parents, and not provided by the school.
- On the 19th of November there will be a rehearsal; 3:00 to 4:00pm. This is to prepare for our Disneyland performance on the 21st; more info to follow shortly.

- Band clean-up day is on the 23rd of this month. More information to follow shortly.
- December 10th is the winter concert. Call time of 5:30pm, and start time of the concert is at 7:00pm. We are sharing the concert performance with the Sonora High Choir.
- The week December 17, 18, and 19th is the week of finals.
- I would like to set-up a dinner for the band and color guard. If time permits... we would like to visit a restaurant for this event. This could be a fundraiser, so we can invite many friends and family to increase to the amount earned. Band Boosters to follow-up on this future event.
- Orange County department of Education has a grant (S. Mark Taper foundation) that we could take a look at. We could apply for a grant to help buy a trailer or truck, uniforms, refurbish our instruments, a new banner, etc. We would try to write a grant, and the opening would begin in December. The website is: smtfoundation.org
- Concern for the white uniforms conditions; uniforms are getting dirty and need to be cleaned soon. A question of wearing the blue uniform to the parades would be feasible, since they stay clean and are in better shape.

Officer's Report:

- **Vice-President:** Verified that our Band Banquet will be occurring on May 9th 2014.
- **Secretary:** Thank you to all parents attending our meeting tonight. Your support is appreciated!
- **Uniform Coordinator:** Discussion of the needed dry cleaning for the white uniforms.
- **Fundraising:** Our cookie dough fundraiser will be finishing this coming week. Students will need to bring the order back to school on Tuesday of next week (12th) so the order form can be completed and turned in. These cookies are the same as last year; a box that contains pre-formed cookies that can be cooked in the oven. The scheduled delivery date to the school is November 22nd. These fundraisers help support the band and color guard with costs associated with parades, entry fees, uniforms, band supplies, etc.

New business: The Band Boosters have been discussing and working on the future purchase of a vehicle or trailer to haul all of the necessary instruments and support equipment to our games and performance events. Research will be done to find a haulage vehicle that will meet our needs both financially and for the many years of use to come for the Sonora High Raider Regiment. We will also be looking into finding potential sponsors, donations, and fundraisers necessary for this purchase. If anyone has more information to help us with finding vendors and/or manufacturers, etc. for this endeavor would be greatly appreciated!

Next meeting:

- December 3rd at our proposed new start time of 6:00 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.