

Band Booster General Meeting Minutes

James E. Taylor High School

November 3, 2009

7:30 p.m.

President Doug Dunlap called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Doug welcomed all who could attend, and thanked the following volunteers for their time and dedication to the JET band program: Dave Pitts – UIL Marching Contest, Bruce and Sue Mitchell – Band Olympics, Cathy Delaney, Kim McPhee, Penny Hafner, and Paula Matthews – Uniforms, Sandi Dunlap – Popsicles, and Holly Meredith – Publicity. Special thanks was given to all volunteers who are washing the uniforms in their homes this year.

Treasurer Jan Silliman presented the treasurer's report. There were no questions or comments concerning the budget; therefore, the budget will be filed for audit.

Committee reports were presented for the following committees:

Chaperones – Janet Aimone reported that the early shift chaperones for the football game on November 6, 2009 should report to the band hall at 12:45 p.m. Janet encouraged volunteers to sign up for future events, the Veteran's Day Parade (11/11/09) and the THS football playoff game (11/13/09 or 11/14/09).

Fall Masquerade Party – Paul and Ellen Yates thanked volunteers for their help. The party was held on October 30, 2009, and it was a big success. Ellen read a thank you note from Katy Christian Ministries. KCM was very appreciative of the donations given by JET band students. The flutes won the section donation contest.

Homecoming Mums – Doug Dunlap reported that this fundraiser brought in approximately \$19,000 profit and remains the largest fundraiser for this organization. Taking inventory and ordering materials is currently underway in preparation for Homecoming 2010. Mum moms are selling JET Band bear ornaments for the holidays. Orders are being taken at this time.

Scrip Cards – Sandi Dunlap reported that scrip cards will now be ordered every two weeks. December 8, 2009 will be the last order placed before the winter break.

Popsicles – Sandi Dunlap reported that this is winding down as the end of football season approaches. Popsicles are under control at this time.

Web Page – Doug Dunlap reported that the JET Band web page has been updated. Doug encouraged everyone to visit the site.

Alumni Day – Kathy Miesner did a great job of running this event. The booster club is expecting a \$550 refund on the deposit, which means this event cost \$7.66 to host.

Yard Signs – Andy Hassell reported that this is going fine with no needs at this time.

Points – Margo Schermerhorn encouraged everyone to submit volunteer hours for the past month, as it is time to submit to the THS volunteer coordinator.

UIL Marching Contest – Dave Pitts reported that there were plenty of volunteers to cover the jobs at the 2009 UIL Marching Contest. The day ran very smoothly. Thank you to all who volunteered for this event.

Silent Auction – Denise Mazurek reported that donation letters are now available for the silent auction to be held on February 9, 2010. Volunteers are needed for section/band baskets.

Memory Book – Doug Dunlap reported that last year's book has arrived. Everyone is encouraged to submit pictures to Scott Tweed through the JET band website for this year's book.

Concessions – Janet Aimone reported that concessions will continue on after school practice days throughout the playoffs. Volunteers have been requested for concessions for the drum line competition at the Taylor Stadium on November 7, 2009. Many adult volunteers will be needed for concessions and other jobs on December 12, 2009 for Region Band auditions.

Publicity – Holly Meredith presented Mr. Bailey with a picture of the JET Band in the "7L" formation in recognition of his leadership following the Seven Lakes High School tragedy. Holly noted Mr. Bailey's kindness following the death of SLHS band member, Matthew Schmitt. Mr. Bailey led the JET Band in caring for others in a time of sorrow.

No new business was presented at this meeting.

Upcoming events:

Football Game – Friday vs. SLHS (November 6, 2009)

Drum Line Contest – (November 7, 2009)

Veteran's Day Parade – (November 11, 2009)

Jazz Band Concert – (November 18, 2009)

Taylor Bands Holiday Concert – (December 7, 2009)

Winter Break – (December 21, 2009 to January 4, 2009)

Director's Report – Chris Bailey discussed the following: senior hat day; the combined THSSLHS (Taylor and Seven Lakes) halftime show; Jet Band leadership and seniors will perform at McMeans Jr. High pep rallies on 11/6/09; THSSO began 11/3/09; the Veteran's Day Parade on 11/11/09; Southern Music display 11/11/09 – music for solos and ensembles can be purchased; football playoffs begin either 11/13/09 or 11/14/09; percussion placement auditions will be held before Thanksgiving; after school band rehearsals for the holiday concert will be held after Thanksgiving; thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell for organizing Band Olympics; 5 band members made the Region Orchestra – 3 advanced to Area Orchestra auditions; the Matthew Schmitt scholarship fund (approximately \$2,000) will be presented to the SLHS Band Booster Club – thanks to Taylor Band families for their generosity.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Submitted by,

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