

# Ooltewah High School Band Boosters

## Meeting Minutes

**Date: November 7, 2017**

**Time: 7:00 PM**

**Location: OHS Commons**

The meeting was called to order by David Mullis at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes: A motion was made by Lydia Flanders to approve minutes as well as a 2<sup>nd</sup> by James Mahoney.

### **Welcome!**

Please make sure you sign the permission slip for Grand Nationals before you leave the meeting tonight or else your student will not be able to go on the trip. The new administration requires us to sign a permission slip every time we take a trip.

### **Drop off and Pick-up Instructions**

Please **DO NOT** stop and/or park by the curb in front of the band room and in front of the gym. This is the path that the students use to carry and move instruments. When picking up your child, please go to a parking spot in the parking lot.

Jennifer Dockery, Treasurer, is sick this evening. If anyone would like a treasurer report, please see David or send Jennifer an email.

### **Fundraising Updates and Opportunities**

- Yankee Candle Sale – Orders are due to arrive any time. They may arrive while we are in Indiana. If so, we will give them out the following week.
- Finley Stadium Program Sales (UTC Mocs): We only have two families that are signed up. If we do not have more people volunteer, then we may lose the opportunity for this and additional fundraising opportunities. Selling programs is an easy way to earn money for your student's band account. We can re-send the link for the sign-up genius. All proceeds are divided by the families that work during the game and your student will receive \$0.80 per sold program in their band account.
- Otis Spunkmeyer – We are kicking off our final Fall fundraising sale. Please see Charleen Rader for brochures. The orders and money are due November 21<sup>st</sup>. There will be a box outside Mr. Denton's office to put the order form and money, please make sure they are in an envelope with your student's name on it. We

earn 25%. If we sell at least \$300, then the amount increases to a 40% return that will go into your student's band account.

- GL Script - Michele Steves (423) 310-9111  
Michele explained the GL Script Program and passed out packets that included detailed information on how to participate. This is another way to earn money for your Student's Band Account:
  - Go to the following website: [www.shopwithscrip.com/](http://www.shopwithscrip.com/)
  - Thankscripping Day is November 21<sup>st</sup> (many retailers increase the percentage of their rebates on this day). Think ahead for opportunities to utilize GL Scripts for your holiday/gift card needs.
- Upcoming Fundraisers:
  - Basketball Program Sales (McKenzie Arena) – Sign-up genius has been sent out. Please sign up.
  - World of Wheels (January)

If you are going to be a chaperone for the Grand Nationals Trip, David will add your number to a Group Me so that everyone can stay up to date.

### **Mr. Denton**

Financial/Treasurer report update – we are under budget this year as we have saved money through various efforts made by our band parents and staff. However, we are behind in collections. Please make sure to pay your fees so that the students have opportunities after marching season. Please participate and do your part.

The district is requiring a permission slip to be signed before each trip. Please sign the permission slip and turn in to Tina Lee.

The itinerary for Grand Nationals is being sent out via Remind Me right now. Please remember that the weather will be cold and windy. The highs will be in the 40s and lows in the 20s. Please layer for cold weather.

### **Grand Nationals – Indianapolis, IN** (tentative schedule):

#### Thursday, November 9th

7:15 AM – Meet at OHS

8:00 AM – Leave OHS

Stop for lunch

5:30 PM – Arrive at Indianapolis Convention Center

6:00-8:00 PM – Rehearse

9:00 PM – Dinner at hotel (provided by Band Boosters)

#### Friday, November 10th

4:45 AM – Wake-up

8:30 AM – Perform (Lucas Oil Stadium)

After performance go back to hotel to rest and eat lunch

Afternoon – return to watch bands and eat dinner

Semi-Finalist announcements in the evening  
Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

Schedule will be tentative based on what happens during the semi-finalist announcements

Please note that we may be leaving late on Saturday evening, so the parents that cannot drive through the night will need to have a plan to pick-up your child at the school. You may check your student out with a note. If a student is staying with another family, we need a note and to personally speak with the parent.

All school rules are enforced and appropriate behavior is expected while we are out. Please remember that you represent our Band, School and Administration, Mr. Denton, Community and your Parents. If there is a problem, you will receive a call and your child will be sent home.

Rooming lists are final. There are six rooms available for any parents that need a room. Please see Tina Lee. You will need to pay at the hotel (pit, chaperones, and costume committee).

There is extra room on the bus, please see Tina Lee if you would like a spot on the bus.

Please be punctual. On performance days, if we are late then we will be penalized. They do not wait on us.

Hotel for Thursday and Friday night changed to Baymount Suites. The other hotel sold and did not guarantee the rooms. BOA Housing Authority worked to get rooms for us at the new hotel.

If you are chaperoning Grand Nationals, you will need to have a completed background check. Meet with chaperones immediately following the booster meeting. There are rules and a list that each chaperone must follow and sign.

I am proud of the students. This year's show is one of the most difficult shows we have performed. Their growth has been miraculous. We have two more rehearsals. I am proud of their performance in Atlanta. Please remember, we have freshmen and sophomores that have never competed before.

**Adjournment** - A motion made to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.