

# Harlan Hawk Band (Parent) Booster Meeting Minutes

## Date 28JULY2020

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by: Andrew Tucker

### **Board Member Attendees:**

Gabe Cordova- President (Ricky Reyes & Damian Sifuentes)  
Jennifer Whitaker & Lezlie Andrade- VP Fundraising  
Stefanie Garrettson- VP Chaperone

Carl Israel- Roadie Lead  
Michelle Sifuentes- Concessions Chair  
Vanessa Sidney, Angie Zahn, Stacy Hinojosa- Treasurer  
Shawna Malarski- Secretary

### **Unofficial Board Member Attendees:**

Devon McLeod & Lisa Perez- Uniform Lead  
Aide Simmons, Patty Maldonado, Ann Kuo- Colorguard Liaison

AnnMarie Walker- Medical  
Andrew Tucker, Steven Partida, Bobby De Leon, Julie Siberts- Director

## **Business**

### **Directors Report:**

- Communication: Cuttime emails, remind and Facebook
  - <https://harlanhawkband.org>
  - You should be checking the website once a week
  - You should be getting an email once a week for upcoming details and events
  - Emails sent via cuttime communication systems
  - Remind: sign up by section
  - Facebook- great resource
  - Twitter
  - Instagram
  - YouTube
- Leadership camp
  - This went well last week.
  - Student leaders did great.
- Volunteers
  - If you plan to volunteer, you must fill out a NISD background check
  - There is a link on the band website.
  - Make sure that you check Harlan High school so we can easily find you
- Instruments
  - Get with DeLeon to get your school owned instruments
- Band Camp
  - Full camp "Everyone"
  - Week 1: July 27<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> starts at 8am
  - Week 2: August 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> starts at 8am
  - Attendance is great but could be better
    - Reach out and get a hold of these missing students
    - Use community social media or personal contacts
  - Engagement is outstanding.

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- Success so far, these first two days.
- Please be flexible
  - Week 3: “Hawk Days” Aug 13<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>
    - These are usually when students pick up schedules
    - Not sure what is going to happen this week due to changes. This will become clearer as we get closer.
  - Week 4: Aug 20<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup>
    - Typically, night practices and band blowout. Again we will get more detail as we come closer to these dates.
- UIL physicals
  - If you do not know if you need a physical email DT or Harlan Secretary
  - You do not need a physical turned in unless you are going to be participating in in-person class/band
  - Physicals are good for 2 years
- Fall Band
  - WE ARE HAVING MARCHING BAND!!!!
  - Beginning of the Season-last week of September
  - Pep Band: portion of the marching band to play in the stands
    - We will NOT be performing on the field except on military night.
  - We will be sending out a survey after July 31<sup>st</sup>
    - Purpose of this is to help us plan for instrumentation, classes, and ensembles
    - To find out if your child or family if you feel comfortable in attending school and extracurricular band
    - Do not let your child fill these out alone.
  - Assessed marching show, late November early December
  - You CAN choose to do virtual school and extracurricular marching band!!!
    - We will be spreading the kids out 6-10ft so everyone is safe during practice.
  - If your child does not come back to school this fall...
    - There will be more rigor if a student is doing virtual learning so when they do come back to class in January, we want them to be ready
    - All Region is just as important as marching band
    - I don't care what you decide, I am going to teach your kid!
- Band Registration
  - Scheduled registration for this weekend has been cancelled.
  - What does our performance schedule look like?
    - Primary expenses: food, marching band attire (shoes, gloves)
    - We can not plan for these items at this time because we do not have a clear understanding of our performance schedule
    - We are working with our fine arts administration to gain clarity for this so we can all move forward.
    - Food cost will be determined by the survey put out so we know how many games we can attend.
- We will be having a full show for playoffs.

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#### **Carl**

- Board email change
  - Have been approved for google non-profit account
  - Professional email addresses @harlanhawkband.org
  - Shared google drives with 30 GB cloud storage each user account
  - Gmail, calendar, drive, docs, Google Meet, Google Chat, and more
  - Video conference for up to 100 people with Google Meet
  - There will be some newly created emails
  - The old emails will still work, they will be forwarded to the new one.
  - New emails will be on the website soon under band booster page

#### **Fundraising:**

- Scrip and Amazon Smile year round
  - Scrip
    - Physical cards cost \$8 shipping and about 4 weeks to arrive.
    - Try to use e-cards. They are available immediately and you can scan them from your phone.
- Face mask sales ending this Friday
- Fundraising section in the parent section on the website.
- August:
  - SNAP! Fundraiser
    - Online donations
    - Send out emails asking for donations.
    - Return 20 emails from each student
  - Fan Cloth "TRIP Fundraiser" 26<sup>th</sup> -Sept 16<sup>th</sup> / runs for 3 weeks
  - Spirit night 26<sup>th</sup>- Raising Canes
- September
  - Pampered Chef- 7<sup>th</sup>
  - Spirit Night 16<sup>th</sup>- Burger Boy
- Look out for matching gifts from employers

#### **Treasurer:**

- Ended budget as of 5/31/20
- 20-21 budget started
  - Proposed expenses and income not approved yet by the parent booster
- Account
  - \$38,766 starting balance
  - \$44,762 current balance
  - \$810 uncleared checks
  - Credits are around \$6000
- Late registration
  - 2018-19: \$472
  - 2019-20: \$11,390

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### President

- Presidential elections
  - Since we have not been able to have an election Gabe presented idea to candidates about dwindling down candidates to have an uncontested vote. Two removed their names and the remaining two agreed to a co-presidency.
  - With unconventional times it may help to have more hands-on deck
  - Nothing in the bylaws states that we cannot have sharing roles
  - Damian Sifuentes and Ricky Reyes will be the new co-presidents
  - Damian Sifuentes
    - Was concession co-chair last year with his wife Michelle
    - Would like to become the greatest band in the district
  - Ricky Reyes
    - Thank you to DT and Gabe for all the work you have done
    - We want to put people first, how we treat the kids, directors, and parents.
  - Gabe
    - Thank you for everyone who trusted me in this position and let me lead in my own way
    - I will be here to volunteer for things
    - I will be taking the media/historian role in the upcoming year

### Director-DT

- Meet your Newest Director
  - Ms. Julie Siberts
  - Director of Bands in Virginia
  - Graduated from OU where she was a Drum Major
  - Email- [Julia.siberts@nisd.net](mailto:Julia.siberts@nisd.net)
- Shout out to Gabe
  - TECA fundraiser/Guard competition
    - Gabe did an excellent job putting together this fundraiser
  - He did a wonderful job leading this band
  - Thank you!!
- If you are a new member and not getting cuttime emails
  - Go to band website and fill out communication form
- Will be playing FIESTA and Battle of the Bands in spring of 2021!!!!
  - This will be awesome for the seniors
  - Will have to rethink the time for the trip

### Questions

- Will we be getting refunds for our tickets from Battle of the Bands 2020?
  - Requested full refund on Battle of band tickets purchased.
  - Once we get the check from them, we will figure out how to credit those back to you. Rather back to your cuttime or by check.
- We cannot use nisd emails for snap fundraiser.
- Do we have section parents?

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- Yes, we do have section parents. We will get information out to you about any needed openings on section parents.
- If you do not know who your section parent is, please email DT
- About section parents.
  - Their job is to get communication out to the parents from the directors or board
  - They can also be a go-to to answer questions the parents may have about upcoming events
  - They are volunteers, please be nice and respectful to these parents
- Uniform fittings
  - We are not doing anything until September
  - Largest thing will be sizing for shoes. This will probably be done first day they go back to school
- Will everyone participate in Pep band?
  - Intention is that everyone will be able to go to a football game
  - If they do not feel comfortable participating, they do not have to
- Band fees
  - Will be determined on meals
  - Band fees will be segmented for virtual vs in-class students
- If they do virtual learning but does band extracurricular do they show up for band class?
  - Some school districts are saying that they do if they are in extracurricular
  - I do not see that happening. They will have virtual band class.
- Band shirts
  - One of the band fundraisers is a band cloth with band swag
- What does the Color Guard uniforms look like?
  - Still working on color guard uniforms
- Will there be a Freshman band parent meeting?
  - We usually have an information meeting in April that may help with any questions that Freshman parents may have but no meetings are usually directed towards the whole band.

Motion to adjourn was made at: 8:09 by: Andrew Tucker