



Ashley Ridge High School

Band Boosters

Band Booster Parent Information Meeting 11/13/2023

Welcome: Mrs. Danielle Tonzola called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM and welcomed everyone. Motion to call meeting to order by Karen Simpson and seconded by Kristin Blasko.

Minutes: Danielle asked for a review of the minutes from October 12th that were available online. Motion to approve minutes by Kristen Blasko and seconded by Jasmine Flemister.

Treasurer's Report: Carita Hatmaker discussed the financials for October

- A copy of financials was available for all in attendance
- Reviewed October Financials. Approximately \$30,000 in expenses and around \$37,000 in revenue. About \$25,000 from concessions (budgeted for \$20,000 so we exceeded our goal) and funds from selling old props to Lucy Beckham came in. Expenses included concessions, competition food, props (including \$4000 for sound equipment), and other operating expenses.
- Positive balance of \$6800 and on the correct track for the year. Good month for financials

Guard Liaison: Presented by Karen Simpson

- Auditions for Winter guard are this week Nov 13th-16th
- A parent meeting for all guard will be held Wednesday, Nov 15th at 6pm. Information on practices, competitions, fair share, etc will be covered
- This weekend, Saturday Nov 18th there will be a CWEA Spin Camp (hosted by Etude). The cost is \$30 and students can register at any time, including that morning. Contact Karen Simpson if you are interested and want to carpool.
- Tickets and information available here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-cwea-education-summit-spin-clinic-tickets-748858093717>

Ways and Means: Presented by Marie McKillop

- Butter braids will be delivered the week of 12/4. A solid time and date will be sent out as soon as we have that information available. Please turn in all order forms ASAP.
- Poinsettia orders are closed and will be delivered 11/30. A volunteer sign up will go out soon for help with sorting orders that afternoon. All poinsettias need to be picked up that night because we cannot store them.
- Spirit Nights- Brought in \$200 from Raising Canes, \$82 from Poogan's Southwest Kitchen. Next spirit night is Dec 13th at SOL. 10% of all sales will go to the band. Danielle will provide marketing material that we can share on social media.
- Upcoming Individual Fundraisers will start again in January. We will be trying a new company that offers coffee/tea/hot chocolate etc. The Spring Plant sale with AG will be in Feb/March
- Group Fundraiser in April-Car Show. Will need volunteers to help. Carrie will send out more information. Bronwen Manning and Danielle LaPore indicated they would like to help. Fees will be collected for car entries, vendor tents/tables, and food trucks. 50/50 Raffle would be a great to have as well.



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President: Danielle Tonzola presented and reviewed the following information

- Moving on from marching season, less hectic but there are still volunteer opportunities available.
- Students will need concert attire for Dec 1st concert. Mrs. Henjes is moving towards an all-black concert attire policy but for now students can still wear their tux for concerts. Information on concert band attire can be found on the website ARHSBands.org->Parents->Parent Resources->Concert Band Attire. Please order early to ensure you have appropriate clothing for Dec 1st. <https://tuxedowholesaler.com/>
- Reminder that we are always looking for Band Sponsors. Brochures can be printed from the band website under the sponsor tab. 10% of the donation will go to your child towards fair share. Companies will be advertised during the concert season as well. For any questions, email Andy Farmer at vp@arhsbands.org

Directors Update: Mrs. Henjes presented

- Band practice will be held after school on Tuesday 11/14 and 11/8. 2/4th blocks from 4:15pm-5:30pm, 1st/3rd blocks from 5:45-7pm. Rehearsal is for all band students. Auditions for placement in spring concert bands will be after school 12/11 - 12/13. (Required for all students)
- *After-school concert band rehearsals will resume in January **every Tuesday 4:15 - 5:30 or 5:45 - 7:00pm**, depending on the concert band your child is placed in for the spring semester (will not change their class schedule)
- Dec 1st concert call time is 6pm for students. They can wear a tux or all black. Order now to ensure you have clothing for them in time. <https://docs.google.com/document/d/16DRBD8D9ES1H4KZnJZFvleaOi5S1MJQeJYX7imgx1pA/edit?usp=sharing>
- There will be some adjustments to the band schedule for spring/summer due to the DD2 Calendar changes. These will be updated on the band website.
- Mrs. Henjes thanked everyone for such a great group of parent volunteers that helped make for a successful season.

Motion to adjourn made by Kristen Blasko, seconded by Jasmine Flemister, all voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Upcoming Events

- Nov 13th-16th Winter Guard Try Outs
- Dec 1st Winter Concert 7pm at Summers Corner PAC, 6pm call time for students. Live Feed will likely be available
- Dec 6th Wind and Percussion Parade practice 4:15pm-6pm
- Dec 8th Full Marching Band Rehearsal for Parade 4:15pm-5:45pm
- Dec 10th Summerville Christmas Parade
- Dec 12th 6pm Booster Parent Meeting
- Dec 13th Spirit Night at SOL Southwest Kitchen Summerville (fundraiser)