

MINUTES
JICHS BAND BACKERS MEETING
JUNE 9, 2009

The monthly meeting of the James Island Charter High School Band Backers was held Tuesday, June 9th, at 7pm in the band room at JICHS. Attendees are listed on the attachment to these minutes.

The president Faye Robbins welcomed new students and parents and everyone introduced themselves. Faye gave a brief introduction to the Charms system for the new students.

The treasurer gave a report, stating our current balance was \$3,247.06. Fundraising is still a priority, as expenses are upcoming for band camp, instructors, and the marching season is not far away. Everyone is urged to have at least \$200 of their fair share provided by the start of band camp in August in order to help offset these expenses. In addition, if sponsors want to be listed in the football program, their support needs to be received by the first day of band camp in order to be turned into the football director.

The forms in Charms are updated to the current year's forms, and Faye asked in particular for parents to complete the volunteer form in order that we might have support from each parent in some category. Another important form is a background check request form which is required from our parents so that they may participate in the band activities. These results are not provided to anyone in the band backers, but simply advise Mr. Curtis if a parent is not allowed to participate in activities involving children. A discussion of the uniform order was held, including the announcement that the girls' shorts will be ordered from somewhere else in order to provide more flattering attire for the girls.

Crystal Blue reviewed our fundraising activities, and provided a colorful handout of last year's activities which included a total of how much each activity raised for the band. Grocery store cards are a good way to raise money since purchasers are not donating money, but actually buying a grocery card, and the stores (Food Lion and Piggly Wiggly) actually give the band a portion of the sales. Plans are in the works for another Tag Day fundraiser this year.

Mr. Curtis spoke about our show this year, which will be a 6 minute Beethoven production. We will be using the same prop structures from last year, but they will need to be stripped of the foam and cleaned and painted. The percussion carts need checking and the golf cart battery needs attention. In addition the NASCAR trailer was vandalized and needs to be repaired and vandalized, and our tractor trailer needs a professional painting job. The students will be given a curriculum map at the beginning of the year, which will show rehearsal dates, SAT/ACT dates, performances, games, competitions, etc. It will also show the students what areas of student they will be working on throughout the year. Color guard students will be practicing Tuesdays and Thursdays, and percussion will be practicing on Tuesdays.

ATTENDEES:

Jane Scutt for Haley Smith
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Lorna Hattler for Kelly Hattler
Laurie Josiger for Kevin Josiger
Robin Jenkins for O'Dree Jenkins
Crystal Blue for Tori Seymour
Faye Robbins for Nathan Robbins
Beth Parsons for Samantha Parsons
Jim Clark for Alysha Clark
Alan Hartley for Cale Hartley
Alan Hartley for Graham Hartley
Connie Hawkins for Erin Hawkins
Laura Anderson for Morgan Anderson
Laura Anderson for Jenna Tumolo
Donna Gallahorn for Sarah Gallahorn
Shirley Mitchell for Ebonnie Conyers
Shanta Jenkins for Keande Jenkins
Betsy Dasburg for Micah Dasburg