

MINUTES OF AUGUST 7, 2009 JICHS BAND BACKERS MEETING

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Denise Foster. The first order of business was a fundraising proposal put forth by Bruce Rudd from a local food distribution company. After hearing the proposal and timeframe and answering questions, the decision was made to postpone any action on this fundraising activity now. The dates will be close to the fruit sales dates, and the rate of return isn't as high as some other fundraising sales activities. Bruce was asked to keep the materials from the company and it could be revisited after the first of the year.
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting: Minutes of previous meeting were not read.
3. Treasurer's Report: Laura Anderson reported \$5,095.72 as the current bank balance with roughly \$1265 to deposit and another \$3,000 yet to clear. There are upcoming expenses relating to travel for competitions which are approximately \$1200 per trip for drivers, trucks, and fuels. These expenses are to be covered by the Band Backers, and eventually the school reimburses us. She mentioned that there are also still parents needing reimbursement for some expenses. There are only 19 students who have raised the minimum of \$200 which was requested to be turned in before the end of band camp.
4. Fundraising Report: Crystal Blue mentioned that the seat cushions sold well at the last game, reminded everyone to link their grocery cards at Harris Teeter and Food Lion, and there was a discussion about having a "link day" at the stores to stand out front and urge customers to link their cards to support band backers. The Jim Booth print is framed and ready for display at the home football games for sales of raffle tickets to support the cost of formalwear. The scratch off cards are ready for students to purchase and raise money with, and the fireman's fundraiser will have to be postponed again to February due to scheduling conflicts with the firemen.
5. EDGE Drumline Competition: There is an opportunity to host a drumline competition at JICHS which would allow our students to have volunteer opportunities plus possibly operate our own separate concession booth for raising money. The date is November 21, 2009, and the school will be approached about what costs and logistics are involved. The publicity would be great for our band, plus the students could hear numerous drumline competitions during the day while they volunteered on site.
6. Marching Band/Props/Pit Crew/Chaperones: This Friday's home game will need prop volunteers and middle school students to move the props onto the field, plus volunteers to manage the pit crew instruments. In addition, there are away games and competitions coming up that chaperones

need to sign up for so please contact Jane Scutt to chaperone. All prop kids need the medical release forms and health history forms/insurance cards turned in also.

7. Weekly communication: A weekly email of communication will be sent out via email and phone calls will be made to those without email. In addition, a survey will be sent out to request honest reasons for low attendance at band backer meetings and suggested meeting times that are more convenient.
8. Miscellaneous: Your child can receive extra credit if you donate a case or two of bottled water, just be sure their name is written on the packaging. An exchange closet of band khakis and formal wear will be organized by Faye Robbins, so that if your child has outgrown their tuxedo for example, you can offer it for sale at a discount and help recoup the cost of a new one. This also benefits a new student also who may prefer to buy gently used (2-3 times worn) formal wear at a discount.
9. Golf Cart Acquisition: The golf cart needs to be replaced, and the cost for a 2008 utility cart with our trade in will be approximately \$3200 plus tax. Corporate sponsors should be solicited for the opportunity to have their logo permanently affixed to the golf cart which will drive onto the field at home games and competitions. In addition, they will benefit by having sponsorship credit for several years in all our programs and a website link to their business on our band's website for several years. An invoice for the cost was requested so Mr. Curtis could approach the school's charter board (but this was later advised to be not possible).
10. Director remarks. Mr. Curtis spoke briefly about the need to return old color guard uniforms to the company who will sell them on consignment, and about upcoming projects he is working on.
11. The meeting was adjourned.

Parent Name	Student Name
Betsy Dasburg	Micah Dasburg
Faye Robbins	Nathan Robbins
Laura & Darren Anderson	Morgan Anderson & Jenna Tumolo
Denise Foster	Jessica Foster
Laurie Josiger	Kevin Josiger
Lorna Hattler	Kelly Hattler
Kitty Fahey	Ben Tibbets
Alan Hartley	Cale & Graham Hartley
Wendy Boswell	Scott Boswell
Bruce Rudd	Colton Rudd
Beth & Terry Parsons	Samantha Parsons
Jane Scutt	Haley & Kendall Smith
Crystal Blue	Tori Seymour
Danny Smith	Haley & Kendall Smith