

## Bixby Bands Parent Organization

Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, August 23, 2022

In attendance:

Brandee Pierson	Kathryn Plumlee	Michelle Norman
Holly Turvey	Kara Sloat	Autumn Morris
Melissa Corbett	Caroline Farmer	Lisa Lee
Jessica Allsop	Kristi Singletary	Tara Judd
Wendy Hightower	Christy Taylor	Stacy Hula
Brandi Short	Ginger Shoemake	Jennifer Pardue
Shelley Brown		
Jeremy Parker		

Called to order at 6:01pm by Brandee Pierson.

Minutes of July 21, 2022 meeting presented by Brandee Pierson. **Ginger Shoemake made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, a second by Jennifer Pardue, and no objections.**

### **BAND UPDATE** - Mr. Parker

- Marching at halftime at TU, but it will be a version of the PreGame Show.
- Currently, there are 260 band members.
- Attendance has been good.
- A new fine arts secretary has been hired, Mrs. Huse.
- There are about 500 going to Ireland, to include staff.
- If payments are not current as of September 15<sup>th</sup>, you will not be able to go on the trip to Ireland.
- Got a good report from Mike at Driller's.
- There was no turn over in staff this year.
- Mr. Parker has been named Coordinator of Fine Arts, but is still the Director of Bands. Mr. Hutson is in charge of marching.
- Working on better communication for the transition from middle school to high school band. Hoping to get the middle school on band app and CutTime.
- We are sticking with CutTime for now.
- Will hold a meeting regarding Ireland by mid or late September.
- Representatives from the travel company will meet with parents online in November.
- We will play at the game scheduled for Fall Break.
- Saturday rehearsal is scheduled for September 10<sup>th</sup>.

**STUDENT ACCOUNTS** (Christy Taylor)

Christy met with Mrs. Huse. Mrs. Huse will be taking over fee payments. Christy taught her how to use CutTime. Fee payments are still coming in. A suggestion was made to text parents that still owe.

**UNIFORMS** (Lisa Lee)

Red and blue shirts going out today. Gray practice shirts will no longer be ordered. Travel shirts haven't arrived. Because of the Under Armour deal, student orders have to go through Midwest. All students have been fitted for uniforms. Need 38 washers. The uniform crew is making a list of all of the items that belong in the bags and is working on a way to zip tie the list to the bag. Lots of parents have been helping. Ginger Shoemaker suggested practicing in jackets. There was discussion on teaching students how to properly hang up uniforms.

**CONCESSIONS** (Jennifer Pardue)

There have already been three games. The troughs came in. These will be used outside of both stands for drinks and will be cash only. This system was used in the past and helps alleviate congestion at the stands. Jennifer will be meeting with Doug Nold on other ways to alleviate the crowds. Credit card readers will not be on phones. They have 4 iPads and hotspots for credit card purchases. They need one canopy. Stacy Hula said she can bring one. There will be only 2 entrances to the games, the south gate will be eliminated. Volunteers for hot dog prep are still needed.

**COMMUNICATION** (Tara Judd)

Only 4 more OSSAA forms are needed. There are still 13 that have not completed band registration. Tara will meet with Mrs. Huse to work on getting forms into Rank One. Tara hasn't advertised OU Band day because it is the same day as the scheduled Saturday rehearsal. Stacy Hula mentioned this is also the same day as the ACT. Mr. Parker said they will alter rehearsal hours to allow for the ACT test time. Tara stated that they will be cleaning up membership on the private facebook page. If anyone has anything to push out on CutTime or on social media let her know.

**NURSE** (Wendy Hightower)

There was discussion on where the water trailer will be parked during football games. Canopies/tents will help. Having someone (a nurse) at band camp each day was helpful. Mrs. Roach, a freshman parent, will shadow Wendy this year.

**BTOB** (Michelle Norman and Holly Turvey)

There will be a BTOB meeting mid-September. Parking will be an issue this year, due to the construction. Mr. Parker said he will meet with staff to figure out parking. Jennifer Pardue will run concessions, Brandee Pierson will manage volunteer check in, Wendy Hightower will be the nurse, and Derek Meyer will run the jumbotron. Chandria Meyer and Tara Judd are meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup> to plan day-of tasks from the booth. No all-day photographer, as the photographs have not been used in the past. A new company is being used to print the programs. Concessions will be included in the program. Discussion on selling ¼ page ads to

seniors, the group is in agreement that it is a good idea. They would like to use one of the card readers, with a hot spot, at a gate. They are looking for a freshman or sophomore parent to shadow them this year. They would like to improve the hospitality area. Currently, they have 6 golf carts reserved.

**CHAPERONES** (Melissa Corbett and Autumn Morris)

10 chaperones are ready for Thursday, and we will be taking 6 buses to TU.

**FUNDRAISING** (Kara Sloat)

The car wash was successful and the check is in the mail. Cash will be put in the band safe. Show shirts for family members can be purchased through American Tees. There will be two rounds of ordering.

**PRESIDENT** (Brandee Pierson)

Band will be going back to the stands under the scoreboard on the south end for home games.

**NEW BUSINESS** (Brandee Pierson)

1) Positive Communication:

- Parent related issues can be referred to Brandee, feel free to give parents her phone number.
- All student related issues need to go to Mr. Parker.
- Refer students to their leadership when questions arise.
- Direct parents to the calendar on the website, as needed.

2) Rates for Concession Stand Work

- **Kathryn Plumlee made a motion to increase the hourly rate of home concession stand workers to \$8.00/hr, a second by Melissa Corbett, and no objections.**
- **Kathryn Plumlee made a motion to increase the hourly rate of home concession stand co-managers to \$11.00/hr and manager to \$13/hr, a second by Ginger Shoemake, and no objections.**

3) Ginger Shoemake would like to have a meeting for freshman parents. She said she can arrange for the meeting to take place at her church.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36.

***NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, September 20, 2022, 6:30pm, Band Building***