



J.R. Tucker High School Band and Orchestra Boosters
November 9, 2021, Meeting Minutes

Meeting Start Time: 7:00 PM

Meeting End Time: 7:37 PM

Attendance: Christy Allen, Patrice Elliott, Leslie VanHimbergen, Wende Hughson, Melanie Stoudt, Heather Mahmoud, Austin Frank, Suzanne Jenkins, Jen DuBois, Meg Foster

Approval of Meeting Minutes for the October 12, 2021 meeting.

- Patrice moved to approve the minutes
- Wende seconded the motion

President's Report

Leslie thanked those who have volunteered this season:

- Susan Murphy – For her hard work in organizing a successful Tiger Tailgate season
- Melanie Stoudt – For her assistance in securing donations to the Tiger Tailgate
- Jen DuBois – For taking the group photos of the band and her work on the T-shirt sale
- Christy Allen – For straightening out the finances of the Boosters and all her other assistance
- Patrice Elliott – For her hard work on the Poinsettia sale
- Heather Mahmoud – For creating the Sign Up Genius, chaperoning, working on the website
- Wende Hughson – For her assistance with the uniform fittings and chaperoning
- Mendy Meeks – For chaperoning
- Jillian Sherman – For her assistance with the uniform fittings and chaperoning
- Amy Stearns – For her assistance with the uniform fittings
- Preston Warren – For his assistance with Pit Crew
- Marlene – For her assistance with the uniform fittings

Reminder that the Ways and Means position is still open.

Recruiting should start after the New Year. We need someone to head up this position.



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Treasurer's Report

Christy recognized all of the hard work and leadership of Leslie. From day one she has been very involved and put in a lot of time and effort to make this year run smoothly. Also acknowledging the assistance of Dan.

Budget on 10/1: 9465.53

We had \$100 individual donation. Want to recognize the generosity of Trish and Preston Warren who has been donating each month via PayPal.

Expenses were masks, Tiger Tailgate (Chick Fil A, Wegmans used twice), Senior medals, NAFME and VBODA participant fee. Expense total was 723.64.

End balance on 10/30: 8841.79.

Expected Upcoming Expenses:

- Uniform Cleaning
- Senior Flowers
- T-shirts
- New Podium: this has been reimbursed by a family donation already

Reminder of fundraising opportunities: Amazon Smile, Kroger, Plant and T-shirt sales, Spirit Nights. We need someone to help plan and organize these Spirit Nights if anyone is interested.

T-shirt Sale – Jen DuBois

T-shirt sales went live today. Initially wanted to use local printer, but they were too swamped to deliver on time, so we went with Custom Ink.

Boosters will purchase the Senior and Sponsor t-shirts (short sleeve version). That will cost us about \$300. Jen does get a small employee discount that can be applied to order.

Options for the sale are: youth, men's, ladies', hoodies. Note: hoodies will not have the logos on the back.

Sales will close before Thanksgiving Friday and will be delivered at school and Winter Concert.



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T-shirts will be shipped to Jen and she will deliver the t-shirts to Mr. Frank for delivery to the students.

Would like to send a link to the sale to students. Rhys VanHimbergen can add it to the Marching Tiger Instagram account so students can see it there. Mr. Frank will send a link via Schoology and announce the sale in class.

Leadership students got to review the different versions and voted to select the version of the t-shirt.

November 23 is the last day to order.

In the future, we can do more items such as hats, etc.

You can promote this sale on FB. There is an option to donate if someone does not wish to have a t-shirt but still wants to support the program.

Melanie asked a question about the corporate sponsors receiving a t-shirt. We will be providing 4 of them and Christians' Pizza will be receiving one.

Poinsettia Sale – Patrice Elliott

Patrice thanked Melanie for the mock up documents used for another program's plant sale. She thanked Leslie for rallying to offer support and Heather and Christy for assistance with the website and PayPal.

Online sales will start on 11/14 or 11/16. Prefer for it to be started on the 14th so it can be included in Mr. Frank's Cuttime e-mail and Mr. Raymond's weekly Tucker e-mail.

Last date to order is November 30. The order has to be placed with the nursery by December 1. December 15 is the delivery date. Pick up will be from 12:00pm – 3:00pm and also at the Winter Gala concert.

Cross Creek nursery is who will be fulfilling the orders. There are 2 options:

- 6 ½ inch pot. Contains 1 plant with 5 to 7 blooms. Price will be \$15
- 7-inch pot. Contains 2 plants with 7 to 10 blooms. Price will be \$17.

Only one color available: red. There is a \$50 delivery fee to deliver to the school.

Secretary's Report – Heather Mahmoud



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If anyone is interested in the website administration position, especially if you have a freshman or sophomore student, please reach out. You do not need to be able to code. VistaPrint uses a web builder which does the coding for you. If you can navigate file folders and use a program like PowerPoint you will be able to handle the web builder. Heather's son is a junior, so she can still do the website updates for one more year, but would like to work with someone to train them to take over the position.

The link to the t-shirt sale is now on the website. Also the link to the band photos from Jen is also on there now.

Heather asked if there should be more information on the website for other ensemble groups like Orchestra, Jazz Band, Pep Band. Currently, there is not much information for these groups.

Other Business

For the football playoff game, the band will not be doing their field show. They will not wear uniforms; they will wear Tucker gear. The band will play for the football team as they board the buses to leave at 4:30 pm. Tucker Tailgate might need to be pushed back to accommodate this.

In January, we will be hosting All County / Orchestra band. It runs from Wednesday to Saturday and we will need to provide goodies, drinks, and snacks for the directors. We will need 1 or 2 parent volunteers to check and restock snacks. There are 12 middle school and 9 high school band directors.

Concert band uniforms: Issue with some sizes not available (especially smaller sizes of concert dresses). We are working on it.

Spirit Night: Want to help organize one? Contact Leslie.

Jen had a question about the Thursday concert being livestreamed. Henrico County may live stream it. Attendance is limited to student body and invited guests. Not open to the public. Henrico County does have a YouTube channel where the livestreamed the convocation, so it is possible it will be live streamed there.