

Nease Marching Band Booster Meeting

August 4, 2023

Jen calls meeting to order at 4:45pm

Band Booster Board

- Mr Oyster, band director. Started in 2022 and has big plans for the band.
- Jennifer Schmutz, President
- Lori Aliprando, Vice President
- Andrea Murphy, Treasurer
- Aimee Mercer, Communications Secretary

Board Purpose

- Any parent or guardian of a band/guard student is a Band booster.
- We support band finances and do fundraising to help supplement the dues.

Events/Football Games

- Band will perform at 7 home football games and 2 away games.
- Band plays stand tunes during games and the show performance during halftime.
- Dinner is provided on football game days, for home and away games.
- We provide bus transportation to and from the away games.
- Students will come to school on Fridays with uniform, dri-fit shirt, music, instrument.
- Please come to the games to support your child and have fun.

Marching Band Competitions

- Every Saturday in October there is a marching band competition.
- Homecoming dance is the same day at the FMBC Oct 14 date. They will have the opportunity to buy the ticket at the door if hoe in time.
- We will be going to the Daytona 500 and performing again this season. The cost is covered by your dues. It is a one-day trip with transportation provided. We will have a bigger section of seats together. More info to follow as date gets closer.
- Bands of America (BOA) – October 21st
 - o A huge away band event near Atlanta in Buford, GA Oct 20th
 - o Will leave around 8am on Friday, Oct 20th. This is an excused absence cleared by school.
 - o Staying at Spring Hill Suites fitting up 6 people, 2 queen and a couch with a trundle.
 - o Bus is a luxury coach bus, but the cost is almost double at \$17K, from original plan going to Orlando. Need to vote on additional cost. Aimee motions to update the cost of the bus, Lori seconds the motion. General board voted yes for the new cost of the bus.
 - o We will be stopping at Buc-ee's on way on the way for a break and students to buy food.
 - o Food is planned for dinner Friday night, hot breakfast at the hotel Saturday morning. Band Boosters will purchase either lunch or dinner for the students (TBD) on Saturday, and students will be responsible for the other meal.
 - o We will be driving home Saturday night after competition through the night.
 - o We would like to go to Medieval Times Dinner Show Friday night, approx. \$50 includes dinner and the show. Need to vote for the band to cover the costs. Aimee motioned we will pay \$50 per band and guard student to go to Medieval times while at BOA Atlanta. Lori seconds the motion. General Board voted yes to pay for Medieval Times.

- Last time we went to Atlanta was 4 years ago and it was so much fun. All the seniors that just graduated still talk about it, and say it was the best time in band!

Uniforms

- Wash uniforms after each use. It will start to smell.
- The washing instructions were emailed to all parents and students but can also be found on the website under downloads.
- Dri-fit shirt, show shirt, and gray large water bottle are a part of the band uniform. If part of this or the larger uniform is lost, students will need pay to replace the missing parts.

FUNDRAISING

Mulch Drive

- Fall and Spring Mulch Drives - biggest fundraiser of the year.
- We sold 5,500 bags of mulch last year.
- We need your help to make this successful. A couple people cannot do it alone.
- Students will receive service hours and parents will earn a volunteer credit.
- We provide coffee, donuts, and lunch.

Concession Stand

- Please consider working 7 home games.
- Help spread out the shifts so that everyone gets to see the games.
- Even in the rain we sold \$11,000 in food.
- Grill, funnel cakes, fried oreos, candy, popcorn, nachos, root beer floats, etc.
- Band Concession stand is towards the visitor stands past the field goal.
- Sign-up genius will go out the week before the games.

Spirit Night

- Tentatively scheduled for Monday, August 28th at Tijuana Flats in Nocatee.
- 20% of your total bill will go to the band program.

Duck Race

- Students will sell a duck for \$10 and the ducks will race through Nocatee's Lazy River.
- Participants and spectators will be able to watch the race live stream on Instagram.
- Top 10 ducks win prizes (TBD)
- Student who sells the duck that comes in 1st place will win a prize.
- Student who sells the MOST ducks will win a prize.
- This will take place Mid-September, waiting on date confirmation.

Cookie Dough and Coffee

- 30-50% profit, depending on the amount of sales.
- 20% of YOUR profit goes into YOUR student account.
- Cookie Dough Tubs
 - 6 different varieties
 - 22 a tub
- Coffee bags or capsules
 - 8 different varieties
 - \$15 a bag

ShopRaise.com

- Please use the shopraise.com to make your everyday purchase, and the band will receive a portion of your purchase! <https://shopraise.com/support/neasebandboosters>

Football Game Squares

- Sell 100 squares for \$20 each
- After a block of squares is sold all numbers will be assigned randomly.
- The score at the end of each quarter will determine the winners.
- Band will get \$1000 and \$1000 will be used for prizes to the winners.
- Going to do this for 4 football games.
 - o LSU vs FSU – Sept 3rd
 - o GA vs FLA – Oct. 28
 - o FSU vs FLA – Nov 25th
 - o Superbowl – Feb 11th

Show Shirt T-shirt

- All students will receive a show shirt as part of their uniform.
- Family and friends can purchase; the shirt part of the price will go to the band.

NEW Fundraiser T-shirt – It's Marching Band Season

- Family, friends and general public can purchase the shirt; part of the price will go to the band.

Additional Fundraising Ideas

- Zumbathon
- Lottery Ticket Raffle Basket
- 50/50 raffles
- Chili cook-off

Sponsorships

- Another source of funds – 10% of the funds we receive from sponsors you refer goes into your student account!
- Must have Gold and Platinum Sponsors in by Friday, Aug 11th to get logos on back of show shirts.
- Can receive sponsorships after the deadline, but the logo will not be on the shirts.

Volunteering and Fundraising Impact

Profits for 2022 came to just \$25,000 which equals to \$300 per student.

- We need everyone to help with fundraising!
- Everyone helps raise funds and our dues stay low or go lower next year.

Please Volunteer

Why

- We Need you
- Your student wants you
- Its so rewarding

Who

- All of you

How

- Donate time, supplies, sign-up genius
- \$100 volunteer incentive if you volunteer 5 times throughout the years. This \$100 will go towards your student accounts.

Dues

- Payment 1: \$50.00 band registration
- Payment 2: \$225.00 – due July 1, 2023
- Payment 3: \$225.00 – due August 1, 2023
- Payment 4: \$225.00 – due September 1, 2023
- Payment 5: \$225.00 – due October 1, 2023
 - o Paypal – neaseacct@gmail.com. FYI, PayPal charges a 3% fee on all payments
 - o Venmo – @neasebandboosters, last 4 digits of phone number 4552
 - o Check placed in band room box.
 - o MUST HAVE CHILD'S NAME and WHAT THE MONEY IS FOR on ALL forms of payment.

Calendar

www.Neaseband.org/calendar

All events, competitions, shows, football games etc. are on the calendar.

You can subscribe to the calendar, and it will automatically update on you phone and computer calendar.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm