

## General Board Meeting

Aug 8<sup>th</sup> 2024

Start at 6:08pm

Jen, board president started meeting

MS Chaffin, New Band Director gave an intro to parents

### Introduction of Board

We are playing at 6 home football games, and 2 away games.

Kids play stand tunes

Get the other team off their game

First home game they will be performing part one and maybe part 2

### Competitions

- Ms Chaffin is talking about her vision for the band
- MPA is the heart of the marching season. It needs to be the focus of the season
- She wants you to see where they are now and where they will progress
- Sept 28<sup>th</sup> – Toco Creek High School
- Oct 5<sup>th</sup> - Ridgeview High School – more visuals the better score, the music is not the most important thing and it gives a false sense of how good or bad they are.  
Remember the focus is to have fun and grow
- Oct 19<sup>th</sup> - Orange Park High School
- Oct 26<sup>th</sup> - MPA at Bartram High – this is the biggest part of marching band. They will stay all day and watch all the other bands perform too.

### Band App

- Calendar has been updated to reflect the schedule
- We are working to integrate the band app calendar to the band calendar

### Universal Studios

- Taking the kids to Universal Studios
- Aiming for a Friday in November
- Students will march from Men in Black to Minions down Universal Blvd.
- We are working on the cost.
- If you have a season pass you are covered
- Students cost will be covered for their ticket and for the bus
- Parents can go and get the discounted cost, but must get their own transportation

### Daytona

- Feb 15, 2205

- More details to come
- Parents that bought tickets through the friends and family and did NOT go to the race last year, you will have money to go towards your tickets this year.
- Tickets prices are going up this year but we do not know the cost yet.

#### Uniforms

- Everything is included in the dues except consumables
  - Band Shoes called dinkles are extra, but first year and only if you need to replace
  - Guard shoes and make are an extra cost
- If you lose any part of the uniform you will need to pay for replacement parts

#### Fundraising

- Jen reviewed the dues incentives, band bucks and general fund
- Mulch drive – sold 5,500 bags and need those delivered so we need
- Duck Race – someone has already sold \$570, try to beat them
- Super Bowl Square – random numbers are generated, \$20 for the square
- T-shirts – have to order band shirts and show shirts by Monday
- Other Ideas
  - Spirit Night
  - Zumbathon
  - Chili Night
- Sponsors –
  - We only have 5 sponsors right now
  - Need to have all sponsors in by Monday, Aug 12 to be included on the show shirts
  - You can still get sponsor after the 12<sup>th</sup> but they will not be on the shirts, they will be on the programs and website
  - You will get 25% back in and bucks

#### Mangers and Liaisons

- Jen reviewed all the positions. We need manager assistants to take over for the senior parents that will be gone next year.

#### Dues

- Jen reviewed what the money goes towards

#### Dues Payment options

- PayPal – parents need to pay the additional fees, and they go on the student band account
- Venmo – through the phone has no fees
- Venmo – through the cognito form charges fees and it goes back on the student band account

- Cash and Check either mailed or put in the band box in the band room

#### Scholarships

- Only a few available
- You MUST do the parent incentive of \$250, if you do not you will not receive the scholarship
- Must pay the \$100 save the spot fee
- You will only get up to 33% of the of the \$1100

#### Communications

- Please join the band app. The Facebook page is now phased out.