

FORSYTH CENTRAL BAND BOOSTERS MEETING

November 13, 2006

Rudi Hulsey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

A motion was made and carried for the October Band Booster Meeting minutes to be accepted. These are available on the website.

Treasurer's Report: Cindi Sanders - The largest deposits made were from 2006 Band Participation fees and GBC income. There were several large expense items that included the new trailer and generator purchase, GBC expenses and show expenses (includes instruction).

Fundraising: Rudi Hulsey – The 50/50 raffle was a success again this year. However, our results could be better with more volunteers next year.

The cookie dough fundraiser was successful. Brandon Lazinski and Maggie Garred were the \$100 student winners. We are waiting to hear from the company for resolution for all incorrect cookie orders. They will be contacting us by 11/29.

Fruit Sales are ongoing. Forms are in the band room. All sales must be turned in by November 20.

Trailer Update: Mr. Mashburn - All decals are on. The renovation is approx. 95% complete. We will need some permanent ramps to replace the temporary wooden ones.

GBC Post Mortem: Daniel Arocho - This is the first year that we utilized the mall area. This helped to keep the breezeway clear. Feedback from other schools has very favorable. The kids really enjoyed all of the activities we offered at GBC.

Rudi Hulsey – This year at GBC, more money was spent on janitorial services and security. Both of these expenditures proved to be well worth the expense and should be considered next year.

Please e-mail Rudi with any thoughts, comments, and suggestions for improving/streamlining next year's GBC.

Director's Report: Mr. Mashburn - A new proposal for sponsorship was presented to members present. This 2007 sponsorship program was born out of an effort to solidify sponsorship and make it more marketable. This program replaces all previous donation programs. Sponsorships are for twelve months, and may be started at any time of the year. Sponsor levels range from the \$200 Uniform sponsor up to the \$2000 Crimson level.

The Band Boosters voted to accept this new sponsorship program. Mr. Mashburn will be posting it on the website.

Our main focus should be on acquiring new uniforms. The average life of a band uniform is 5 – 7 years. Ours are approx. 15 years old and are literally falling apart! In order for us to have new uniforms at the start of next year's fall marching season, we need to put in our order by the end of December. The proposed new uniform will have a red jacket, black gloves, and black plumes. It should be more flattering to the students than what we have now.

Mr. Mashburn introduced the Forsyth Central Band Academy. This program will enable our band students to receive private instruction after school or on weekends. Ponce De Leon Music has recently added on to their facility that would allow for this. The suggestion was that interested students take two thirty-minute lessons per month at \$40 per month. The students would be obligated to take lessons from January through May. This would better prepare them for concert season, District Honor Band, All-State, college auditions, etc., not to mention make us musically stronger as a band!

The Band Boosters voted to help with the cost of these lessons. The amount will be determined later.

Color Guard: Sue Mashburn - Our color guard is preparing to host an Indoor Winter guard competition on March 10 & 11. Many groups have signed up to come with a large number of units spending the night. Most of the department chairs needed for this effort have been found. However, we need lots of volunteers for food concessions, supervision, and custodial duties. We also need to procure an announcer. This would be a paid position. Please e-mail me and let me know how you can help.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Minutes were submitted by Beth Patterson on 11/14/06.