
RIDGE VIEW BAND BOOSTERS

MINUTES – AUGUST 15, 2006

GENERAL MEETING

Officers, Chairmen and Members Present:

President: Babe Francis

Vice President: Shane Ousey

Treasurer: Bill Pouncey

Secretary: Amy Bigham

Ways and Means Chairman: Denise Parker

Immediate Past President: Gwen Byrd

Director: Vince Clayton

The meeting was called to order by Babe Francis, President at 7:30 p.m.

Introductions:

Babe Francis, introduced the Board members and Mr Clayton, who then welcomed the parents to an exciting year.

Approval of Minutes:

The General Meeting Minutes from the May 2, 2006 were orally presented and approved as is.

Financial Report:

Bill Pouncey, Treasurer, gave the Treasurer's Report and presented the Proposed Budget for fiscal year 2006-2007. A motion was made to accept the budget as is.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ways & Means:

Chairperson, Denise Parker reported -

- Cheesecake Fundraiser (due August 22nd) - reviewed emphasizing the fair share being 15 items.
- Miles for Music – reviewed. Member were told that letter with be sent to contributors which will serve both as a thank letter and receipt.
- Carrabba's (Sept 2nd) – Tickets being sold now. Dessert has changed from cheesecake to Sogno di Ciocolata (a Chocolate Brownie with Chocolate Mousse).

Chaperones:

Co-chairs, Valerie Brunson and Tammy Jones, reported a meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept 22nd immediately following Open House in the Band Room.

Historian:

Ms. Francis reported that Shameka Huff is chairing this committee and has great ideas for documenting the year.

Hospitality:

Co-chairs, Sue Drinkwater and Becki Ashby reported that September 16th many hand will be needed for Mini-Band Camp as we will be serving the student lunch and dinner. Sign-up sheet will be available for those interested and more information will come when details concrete. There will be a Winter Camp in January.

Membership:

Chairperson, Barbara Evans-Williams reported that almost half of the 102 parents have joined the booster club thus far. There will be a drawing tonight.

Pit Crew:

Chairperson, John Johnson reported that the Pit Crew "moves your kids' stuff." Pit Crew works hard moving props, uniforms, etc. It is a lot of work, however, you get to see ever football game and contest...the memories are incredible.

Props:

Chairperson, Tracey Gillespie stated that Props creates "enlarged crafts. Mentally everything is planned, we just needs hands." Donations of oversized toys are welcomed and will be returned at the end of the season. Please ensure that your name is written on the toy. Props works closely with the Pit Crew transporting and setting up the props for each performance.

Public Relations:

Chairperson, April Morgan reported *The Country Chronicle* is outside doing an article on the Blazer Band and their fundraising efforts for Philadelphia. Ms. Morgan is also working with WIS-TV (Live w/ Lucas) and local radio stations to get community support.

Uniforms:

Chairperson, Gwen Byrd reported that all but a few students have been measured for uniforms. Also, she stated Uniforms is helping sew flags for props – "anyone who can sew a straight stitch is welcomed to come help".

SPECIAL REPORTS:**Car Wash:**

Gary Brunson reported that two Car Washes will be held August 26th. One will be at Wal-Mart on Two Notch with 2 hour shifts starting at 8:00 a.m. ending at 4:00 p.m. and the second at Piggly Wiggly on Hard Scrabble with 2 hour shifts beginning at 10:00 a.m. ending at 2:00 p.m. The student will sign up during class in the band room, but there will sign-up sheets in the lobby for adults to sign up after this meeting.

Pampered Chef:

Susie Gerrald reviewed the contents of the Pampered Chef packets emphasizing the ease of gift certificates and use of the Pampered Chef website. An email will be sent to the members soon that can be forwarded to family and friends. A party will be held on September 7th from 5:30-7:30pm at the home of Babe Francis.

FROM THE DIRECTOR:

Mr. Vince Clayton stated that we have a strong group of kids with 51 brand new to the band program. Kids deserve more than Richland School District 2 can provide. Volunteer will make the Blazer Band experience much better for your student that many of the other Ridge View students get. If you have not received any e-mail updates from Mr. Clayton email him – vclayton@rvh.richland2.org

OLD BUSINESS:**Philadelphia Trip Date:**

Shane Ousey reported that change of Phantom of the Opera from Thursday to Friday due the cost of the tickets. Also, anyone interested in attending with the students needs to contact Ms. Francis, himself, or Mr. Clayton. If we have a group of 15-20 parents, we may be able to get group rate through the same company that priced the trip for the band. There will need to be a spokesperson for this group as the company does not want individual parents contacting the company. If you call the hotels directly - the rooms are not listed under Ridge View, under Sun Coast Productions.

NEW BUSINESS:**Bylaws:**

Babe Francis distributed that Parent Handbook, reviewing that rules, requirements and most answers can be found within it.

Bylaws:

Shane Ousey presented the proposed By-Laws changes which will be voted on during the next boosted meeting.

Door Prize Winners

Ms. Francis and Mr. Ousey drew for the door prizes:

Mr. McCloud – Ridge View umbrella

Mr. Pluncket - \$25 gift certificate from Wild Wings Café

Ms. Wall – Dinner for two are Beef O’Brady’s

Ms. Paro – Deluxe Sparkle Car Wash

In closing, Babe Francis, President of Ridge View Band Booster, thanked everyone his/her commitment to the program at Ridge View High School. The next meeting will be September 12th at 7:30 in the Band Room.

The General Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Amy Bigham

Booster Secretary