



Soddy Daisy High School Band Boosters

Meeting Agenda

10/07/2024

1. Call to Order

Jen Tindell stood in for Angel Rousse as meeting moderator and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were Joshua Light, Jen Tindell, Jody Whitmire, Lauren Wolff, Mandy Suttles, Lindsey Childs, Karen McCuiston, Scott Leamon, Melanie Pope, Jeremy and Erin Waddell, Jennifer Daniel, Dennis Spence, Susan Chassity Shaw, Kimberly Arnold, Don Tindell, Bob Rousse, Jamie Belko, Gabriel and Sandra Gardner, Amanda Mallard, and Cherie Beckett.

2. Approval of previous meeting's minutes

Mr. Light posted the minutes from the previous Band Booster meeting. Don Tindell made the motion to approve the minutes as posted. Scott Leamon seconded the motion. Minutes passed.

3. Reports

- a) Chaperones - Several positions available for Senior Night, this Friday. Please sign up to help if you are able.
- b) Fundraising – Coke sales Is October 21-November 11. Delivery is November 16.
Dine to Donate: Miller's Ale House gave \$420. This was the best Monday they have ever had. Thank you! Still waiting on Buddy's BBQ numbers. Texas Roadhouse is coming up next. November 19th 3-close We will get 10% but you must show the flyer.
- c) Anyone know of a business to host the hospitality room? It takes around \$1,000 for the judges' and director's hospitality room. Scott Leamon's company is donating \$500 to whatever is needed for TMI.
- d) Treasurer - Lauren went over the financial statement
Our current balance is just over \$78,000.
We received just over \$18,000 from Snap Raise – about \$4,000 more than last year. Great job!
- e) Concessions – This Friday we need several parents to fill spots. Our crowds are up this year so we need volunteers to step up. With it being Senior Night, many parents are unavailable to volunteer. This week's section workers are the trumpet section and drumline. Make sure someone from your family is working if you are in those sections.
- f) Still need volunteers for uniform laundering tomorrow, Tuesday afternoon from 3-6.

- g) Equipment – Be watching for TMI jobs/needs coming out on the SignUp Genius
 - h) Color Guard – No report
4. Unfinished business
- a) Senior parents need to be on the track at 6:30 for Senior night because the event starts at 6:45.
5. New business
- a) TMI – We have 16 bands coming this year. This is the largest number of bands we have ever had. We have been told by previous TMI response that we have the best contest around. That is because of our great volunteers. SignUp Genius will come soon. Be watching for email.

Contest begins at 3:00 with the National Anthem. We are having to work around Daisy Elementary's Fall Festival which is the same date. It ends at 1:00 so by 2:00/2:30 we should be able to use their campus for parking buses and warm-ups.

David Karnes is our announcer this year. He is an alumni of Soddy Daisy and a former band member. We are excited to have him back.

There will be different colored wristbands for volunteers, directors, bus drivers, band members and spectators.

We will have a medical team and security on campus the day of the competition.

Admission for adults is \$10 and students \$5. Hamilton County Employees do NOT get in free at this event.

1. Volunteer Needs

The Volunteer Check-In area has changed this year. It will no longer be in the band room. This year it will be posted at the bottom of the Lot D steps, on the sidewalk leading into the 9th grade wing of the school. There will be a tent set up with a sign for "Volunteer Sign-in." If you have food for hospitality room, you will be able to enter through the doors at the end of this same sidewalk.

Number 1 rule for volunteering – Be flexible. Please make sure and fill the positions for later in the day first because this is when we will have the most people on campus. As the day progresses, the larger bands come. We will have around 1500 students at the day end, plus around 3,000 parents/friends as spectators. Our own band students will be leaving their volunteer post around 7:15 to get ready to perform. That will

leave many holes in positions around campus. You may sign up for more than one job throughout the day.

2. Equipment Needs

We are in need of several items:

Power Banks, Power Strips, Extension Cords, Pop-Up Tents
– See SignUp Genius to loan out these items. Please label items so they can be returned to owner at the end of TMI

3. Hospitality Needs

If you have any connection to a restaurant that may be willing to donate food for the hospitality room, please let Jen Tindell know. We will have 3 hospitality rooms this year:

Judges' Room – in the press box

Director's/Bus Drivers' Room – in the library

Parent/Student Volunteers Room – in the commons

Be watching for a SignUp Genius. We need volunteers to send food for the Parent/Student volunteer room.

b) Sponsorship Proposal

A copy of the Sponsorship Sheet was shown. This details levels of sponsorships for businesses. If you have connections to companies that may be willing to be a sponsor, please let Jen Tindell know. Here are the levels of sponsorship:

Piano Level - \$100-\$250

- Main web page advertisement on Band website/fb page with logo/QR Code and noted in spring concert program

Mezzo Piano Level - \$500

- Main web page advertisement on Band website/fb page with corporate logo/QR Code and noted in spring concert program
- Announcement of corporate sponsorship during Trojan Marching Invitational over the loud speaker at dinner break.
- Banner hung in the stadium on day of TMI - banners to be provided by business.

Mezzo Forte Level - \$750

- Main web page advertisement on Band website/fb page with corporate logo/QR Code and noted in spring concert program
- Announcement of corporate sponsorship during Trojan Marching Invitational over the loud speaker at dinner break.

- Banner hung in the stadium on day of TMI - banners to be provided by business. (Banner should be no larger than 3x8)
- Two wristbands for FREE admission to all band competitions during TMI (arranged day of event)
- Includes listing in the programs for the Christmas and Spring Concerts

Forte Level - \$1000

- Main web page advertisement on Band website/fb page with corporate logo/QR Code and noted in spring concert program
- Announcement of corporate sponsorship during Trojan Marching Invitational over loudspeaker between sets (after 1A set, 2A set, etc) and at dinner break.
- Banner hung in the stadium on day of TMI - banners to be provided by business. (Banner should be no larger than 3x8)
- Five wristbands for FREE admission to all band competitions during TMI (arranged day of event and access to directors' hospitality room that is air conditioned.
- Includes listing in the programs for the Christmas and Spring Concerts
- Framed current Trojan Band Photo indicating Sponsorship for the Year –



6. Upcoming Events & Announcements: Mr. Light went over the calendar. This can be found on the band webpage www.sdhsband.org
- Senior Night – Friday, October 11th
- Executive Board Meeting to finalize TMI – October 21st
- We will not attend William Blount because of cost.
- TMI – October 26th
- Signal Mountain Game – Nov. 1st – Pep Band only – Those who did not attend the other pep band game will be required to go on this trip. Any additional spaces can be filled by anyone else who wants to play.
- Possible Play-Off Game – Nov 8th – Likely we will host this event and that means more income through concessions. Be watching for SignUp Genius.
- US Bands Southeast Championships – Nov 9th at Alabama A & M – This is ran like two separate competitions. First there will be preliminaries. Top 12 bands continues on to the finals. There will likely be two separate admission costs for prelims and finals.
- Nov. 16th – Freshmen Lower Area Junior Clinic Auditions – Registration is due October 25th- \$10. Concert will be December 13, 14
- January 11th - All-East Senior Clinic Auditions (for 9-12th grades) Registration due Nov. 1st. Concert will be Feb. 6,7,8
- Dec. 1st – Soddy Daisy Christmas Parade – 1:00 Call time 2:00 Parade
- Recommended for parents to NOT park on the Food City side of the road. Park on the SDHS side of the road so you can get out to pick up your student at the high school. This is a LONG parade so please don't make Mr. Light have to stay and wait at the high school. Slip out of the parade as soon as possible after the band finishes.

- a) Questions or concerns from boosters?
Some are not getting emails. If you are one of those, please let Karen McCuiston know.
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A motion was made by Jody Whitmire to adjourn the meeting. A second was made by Bob Rousse.