

Blackman High School Band Booster Meeting

January 12, 2021 @ 7:00pm

Mr. Wright began the meeting and wanted parents to know that the meeting is being recorded. If anyone would like a copy just reach out to the directors at blackman.com.

Joey Barkley Motioned to start the meeting Motion made by Connie Schweikert and seconded by Kristie Hayes.

WELCOME

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Unresolved business from previous meetings

TREASURER REPORT

NEW BUSINESS

Concert Band

- Mid-State: BHS earned 10 spots in the Concert Bands + 1 alternate position & 2 spots in the Jazz Band + 1 alternate and 1 spot in the 9-10 Orchestra. Congratulations to ALL students who auditioned!
- We do not have any info on the Mid-State Honor Band schedule as far as dates and location.
- We encourage all students to take private lessons. Contact directors for more info! This is especially useful for students who will be doing college auditions.
- Objectives pages for the 3rd Quarter are out and posted. Encourage your students to keep up with their weekly performance assignment.
- Distance Learners need to participate in class through Zoom. The class agendas are on Kiddom. Class materials are posted on TEAMS. Contact directors@blackmanband.com for assistance. Students must be logged in at the very beginning of class because we take attendance for every student on Skyward! We must be able to see the student PLAYING their instrument along with us.
- **TENTATIVE JAZZ CONCERT: Thursday, January 28 @ 7pm in the BHS Auditorium**
- Concert Rehearsals: Monday, February 1 (Band Room) and Monday, February 8 (Auditorium). Each band has their own rehearsal time: **Concert Band 5:30-6:15pm, Symphonic Band 6:15-7pm, Wind Ensemble 7-7:45pm**
- Students will fill out the participation survey NEXT WEEK so we know who is planning to participate. If students are going to be in the concert, they must attend both rehearsals. *Students will also let us know how many spectators from their families plan to attend. Please talk with your students so we get an accurate count!*
- **BAND CONCERT: Thursday, February 11 @ 7pm in the BHS Auditorium**
- An information sheet will come out & be posted online that has all the concert information.
Joey spoke about how he was never a jazz fan until I heard the Jazz band play at Blackman High School. They are really good and it is a treat to hear them play and encourages everyone to come out and hear them play! Joey reminded everyone in the zoom meeting that if they had a question to type their question in the chat box. Someone is monitoring that and we will answer any questions you may have.

Band Pictures

- Section Pictures will be taken during a DLRTI time. These are the pictures that will be in the school yearbook. Students will wear their Boy Bands T-shirts.
- Individual Pictures will be taken after the February concert by Loveless. These pictures will be in a collage that we will hang in the band room. Students will wear band uniforms and hold instruments for these photos.
- ALL students in person & distance are encouraged to be a part of these pictures! Times & Dates will be posted as soon as everything is confirmed with the photographers.

Question- Will Distance Learners be allowed to come in to have pictures taken?

Answer- Mr. Wright- Yes they will!

Band Banquet/Awards Ceremony

- Tentative Date: Monday, May 3
- Seniors need to email 5 pictures for banquet by March 15.

Fundraisers

- Thank you to the McDaniels & Diana Woodard AND those who have worked Titans Events this year!!! We appreciate you very much!! Spring Events - Sign up with: Michelle McDaniel (mcdanielm@rcschools.net)
- KROGER CARDS, Amazon, Blaze Band Partners, Restaurant "Spirit Night" will continue

- March Fundraiser

Joey paused for a moment to thank Michele and Diana for all their hard work in organization the Titans games, without the Titans events we would be in a world of hurt. It takes a lot of time and effort to organize this events to make money for the band! We all want them to know how much they are appreciated for all they do for the band! Thank you to all the parents who volunteered this year we are very grateful for all the volunteered. Michele will have some more opportunities for Spring events so if you haven't been able to participate in those hopefully in the Spring will have some more things that come for you to volunteer for and help the band.

I wanted to remind everyone enroll your Kroger cards, Amazon accounts whenever make purchases a portion of that goes to the band doesn't cost anything in order to do that. All the information you in order to do that is on the band's website.

Christina-Melissa is working on some Spirit nights.

Joey-March fundraiser. Christina- we will be having a calendar fundraiser be looking in your kids backpacks for the paper work on that. I will also be sending it out on an email. You will receive a picture of the month of March your child will be responsible for getting family or friends to pick a day on the calendar and that is the amount they will donate to the band. If you chose the 3rd of March you will donate \$3.00 and so on with all the other dates on the Calender to fill up all the dates. We are asking each student to do their best to try to fill as many dates as they can. It will be done in the beginning of March and will couple the money a couple weeks after that.

Connie-Financials- The beginning balance in our checking account of \$42,015.39 brought in \$2,127.57 and the we spent \$1713.33 ended December with \$42,429.63 in our checking account. Our savings report, once a year we have voted to transfer an amount to the savings account to put away for future uniforms. Last year we did not put any money in the savings account for the calendar year so we received a notice from the bank of no activity. We needed to add money to the account to keep it active. So last month we transferred \$100.00 from our checking account to the savings account. At the beginning of December our savings account was \$30,064.19 we transferred in \$100.00 we received \$2.56 in interest and ended with \$30,166.75 in our savings account. If you have any questions about this information to please type in the comments or you can always email me anytime with questions. Our bank statements and financial records are always available to look at upon request so feel free to contact her or the directors.

Joey-There are no questions so he turned the meeting over to the directors.

Mr. Wright-We have been talking about all this information with the students and some of it is on the website. The pictures, concerts and the banquet we will get that information out to everyone as soon as we are able. It was really nice to see all of the students on Monday and Tuesday whether they were in person or on zoom. Outside was a winter wonder land and in the hallway the students were so sad they had to be at school, but they band students were so happy to be there. I feel blessed to be at Blackman High School and teaching your kids.

Question- From a parent- When are chair auditions be announced?

Answered by Mr. Wright- Mrs. Monson and I have just started the process of listening to the recording, once we listening to all the recordings we will post as quickly as we can.

Mrs. Monson- She wanted to thank everyone for attending the zoom meeting and we love our kids and to encourage your kids to play their instruments even on days they do not have band. We are just going to keep on keeping on with them. If you guys have any questions or concerns we are always available so just contact us. Thank you to the booster exec team for all your support and we appreciate all you do. Thank you and everyone have a good evening

Joey-A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting 1st-Mashall Campbell and 2nd Mark Collins Thanks everyone for being here and have a great evening. Have a blessed evening and a great week.

Members Questions & Comments

Special Acknowledgements

CHECK OUT THE WEBPAGE and/or EMAIL THE DIRECTORS: www.blackmanband.com, directors@blackmanband.com

Next Booster Meeting: Tuesday, February 9, 7pm