

# **Clark Band Boosters Meeting Minutes**

February 9th, 2016

## **I. Call to order**

1. Irma Trevino called to order the regular meeting of the Clark Band Boosters at 7:00 pm CST, on Tuesday, February 9th 2016 at Tom C. Clark High School, San Antonio, Texas.
2. Irma invited all to the Mattress sale this weekend; and presented the yard signs. Irma encouraged taking some yard signs home. This event will be on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM in the Band Hall. Irma introduced The Mattress representative, Mr. Clay Blankenship.
3. Mr. Blankenship talked about the Mattress Fundraiser event:
  - a. There will be 25 different types of beds, 8 to 9 different kind of pillows, sheets, etc.
  - b. There will be all sizes available of Mattress, pillows, sheets, etc.
  - c. Layaway and deliver available, or pick up too. It will take about 2 weeks to deliver. We can take old mattress, but need to make arrangements on schedule as we don't do it on the same day of deliver. No online sales. Website: [www.costumesolutions.com](http://www.costumesolutions.com)
  - d. We'll have the same kinds and types of mattresses you can find in stores.
  - e. Mr. Blankenship encourages us to spread the word to family and friends for publicity. He had already spoken to the band students in every band period class about this fundraiser.
  - f. The students could earn \$50 for every mattress sold and \$500 if they sell 5 mattresses.
  - g. Sales will be on Saturday Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

## **II. Report from Director of Bands, Kevin Russell**

1. Mr. Russell recognized Mr. Greg Meyer for running/organizing the pancake dinner last week. And thanked all volunteers that helped that day.
2. Mr. Russell mentioned that on Tuesday, February 16 there will be the Solo and Ensemble. He is encouraging the students to practice for that day. He also mentioned that this week is the TMEA and he is going to be out; Monday is a holiday, so students need to be ready for Tuesday's Solo and ensemble. Mr. Russell asked to please make the payment to the accompanist at the second practice. Percussion students do not have an accompanist.
3. Mr. Russel has a schedule for the students playing on Tuesday; He doesn't have it for the percussion students. He mentioned that in this event, students show up early and they go out and play.
4. Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> is the Spring Sports Pep Rally. It is a typical pep rally as it was during Marching Band season.
5. Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> is the Jazz Band Swing Dance at St Matthews McDonald Family Center.
  - a. Jazz band students are already selling tickets.
  - b. Band directors will be offering tickets to all band students that are interested and willing to sell tickets.
  - c. The cost of the tickets is \$15 pre-sale and will be \$20 at the door.

d. We'll have desserts, coffee, tea, water, Mrs. Sonia Carter asked for volunteers to help on the serving desserts table.

6. March 1<sup>st</sup>. is the next Band Booster Meeting and also the trip to Washington DC insurance payment is due.

7. Mr. Russell mentioned that we are in the 4<sup>th</sup> week of the first six weeks of this semester. He said that it is important that students have good grades to be eligible for the UIL competition, and also for the DC Trip. So he asked the parents to encourage the students to have good grades. Mr. Russell will be on top of the students' grades and will ask the students to work in their assignments so everyone can participate in those Band events. Mr. Russell mentioned that this is the time of the year that happen because the subjects are getting tough, students that are in clubs or other activities are very busy and they have lots of going on. And that is the reason why the students sometimes get behind. So is important for the students to keep up with good grades.

### **III. Report from Band Booster Officers**

#### **A. President, Irma Trevino**

1. Irma Trevino mentioned that all volunteers/chaperones that are going to the Trip to Washington DC need to have a Background check. She encourages everyone to visit the band website and look for that link.

a. Frances Lopez is our head chaperone and she mentioned that is important to do the background check. She will get the list from the NISD office; it will take about 2 weeks to get that notice after doing the background check.

2. Irma Trevino mentioned that we raised \$350 at the McTeachers night Fundraiser, \$650 at the Kendra Scott Fundraiser and \$2,949 at the Pancake Dinner.

3. Irma mentioned that February is a very busy month for the Band. March is kind of slow month. But April is going to be busy again! We'll have Battle of flowers parade, Battle of the Bands, Funday Sunday. More fiesta and more opportunities to participate!

#### **B. Treasurer, Chris Gaither**

1. Mr. Gaither presented the actual-to-date budget. There has not been any change in the budget and nothing to approve.

2. Mr. Gaither encouraged us to Check Charms for band fees and trip payments balance using the students ID.

3. Mr. Gaither mentioned that the Band trip to Washington DC full Payment is due in April 1<sup>st</sup>. He can take credit cards payments with a 2.9% charge.

a. Mr. Gaither mentioned that he is contacting the Arline tickets. He mentioned that there are some people deciding not going to the DC trip. He needs to know if someone is not going as soon as possible, so he can get your refunds on time. He also encouraged everyone to buy the Trip insurance.

Mr. Russell explained that there is a process for canceling the trip. We have made money deposit, so is not easy to cancel and get the money back easily. It works, but it takes time to get the money returned.

#### **C. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President in Charge of Fundraising, Sonia Carter**

1. Sonia Carter talked about the Mattress Fundraiser

- a. Mrs. Carter presented a yard sign for this event. She encouraged everyone taking a yard sign and placing it on their yards and businesses. Also, she asked to make some publicity on FB, by copying and paste the posts about this fundraiser event.
  - b. Mrs. Carter Passed flyers about the Mattress Fundraiser; she also asked for help to the Elementary school parents that were present in the meeting about bringing some flyers to their schools.
  - c. Mrs. Carter mentioned that volunteers (students) are needed for the Mattress Fundraiser event this Saturday. She asked to email her if any student is interested at [soniacarter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:soniacarter@sbcglobal.net). Band Board members and Band Directors will be there too.
2. Mrs. Carter talked about the Jazz Band Swing Dance. This event will be on Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at The St Matthew's MCDonald Family Center.
    - a. She mentioned that we will have complementary desserts and drinks and we need everything donated.
    - b. Mrs. Carter mentioned that we have 350 tickets to sell for this event, please ask Joan Petersen if you need more tickets. The tickets cost is \$15 pre-sale and will be \$ 20 at the door, in order for the kids to get profits, they need to volunteer, sell tickets or make donations.
  3. Sonia informed that we raised \$350 at the McTeacher's night fundraiser event and \$650 at the Kendra Scott Fundraiser.
  4. Mrs. Carter and Brandy Lininger talked about having a Mulch Fundraiser event.
    - a. Mrs. Lininger mentioned that we can sell each bag of mulch at \$3 to \$5. There is going to be a location to go and pick it up. Mrs. Lininger explained that everyone can call and order the bags needed. We will have more information about this fundraiser event soon.
  5. Mrs. Sonia Carter talked about the Funday Sunday 5K Run and Walk.
    - a. Mrs. Carter passed on flyers and mentioned that The online registration opened 2-3 weeks ago.
    - b. Mrs. Carter mentioned that we need sponsors. There are different levels of sponsorships like business or family/personal. She also mentioned that we make profit from the runners.

#### **D. Memorial Day Parade Trip Chair, Christi Zuber**

1. Christi Zuber mentioned that April 1<sup>st</sup>, is the due date to pay for the DC trip in full.
  - a. Mrs. Zuber said that "for now" we have rough itinerary for the DC Trip, so - No formal itinerary yet.

#### **E. Communications, Esthela Guerra**

1. We have the Holiday Concert DVDs ready and for sale. Mrs. Guerra mentioned that she has the list of everyone that placed the order and to come and pick up their DVDs. and she also encourage everyone to buy one. The cost of the DVD is \$20. (100% of the DVD's sales will benefit the Band)

#### **IV. Adjournment**

Irma Trevino adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Esthela Guerra

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 1, 2016