



BBPA General Parent Meeting Minutes

Date - 9/13/2016

Time - 7:00 pm

Location - BHS Band Room

Attendees - Pat Quinn, Ruben Romero, Viola DeLaO, Scott Cannon, Jeremy Westcoat, Susan Johnson, Staci Atencio, Joan Roehling, Corey Anderson, Danny Sibley, Lynne Hobbs, plus other general membership band parents

Time	Agenda Item	Speaker	Notes
	Call to order	Pat Quinn	Meeting started at 7:05 pm
	Band Director Report	Ruben Romero	<p>Band show shirts (What If?) are in as well as flags.</p> <p>The show this year is 3 minutes longer than last year. We will be marching 4 ½ minutes of show on Saturday (1/2 of the show). Have a pit tech this year and that has made a huge improvement.</p> <p>Schedule for Saturday is a really long day. Most other show days won't be quite that long.</p> <p>Parent question – How much down time during the day?</p> <p>Our kids interact with other bands so have fun during down time. Last year they did a volleyball game.</p> <p>Breakdown of what Saturday will look like:</p> <p>Head out to bleachers in stadium once in uniform to take a picture Get into block and march to start of parade #31 in parade – we are the last band Staging area for warm up Looking into whether the busses can pick us up at the end of the parade Load truck once back at school Goal is to leave BHS by 12:30 for Englewood Clinic for first part of the day – 45 minutes – we are the last band for clinic On field from 4:15-5:00 to run through show a couple of times Kids will not be in uniform, just show shirts and shorts Kids have free time and dinner 7 pm - warm up 8 pm - Performance – we are the last group in our class 8 of 11 groups are 2A (we won this Friendship Cup last year) Friendship Cup is organized by band size Air Academy is 4A and compete against them at State because go by school size for State</p>

Encourage kids to get to rehearsal early.
Some woodwinds are performing by spinning a PVC pole wrapped to look like a metal pole.
The last two weeks the kids are really stepping it up.
We are way ahead of the way we look and sound from last year.

Parent question – Will the jackets be in?

Jackets have been ordered, but will not be in in time for Saturday.
Ahead of last year, though, when they never got ordered.

One of the challenges when hired was to bring the band closer to the rest of the school.
Kids in band are in volleyball, cross country, tennis, football, and cheerleading.
This has been good to break the barrier down.

The band will be marching the rest of the football games.
Two students will be in other uniforms.
Pushing for kids to be respectful to other groups.
Soccer team/band dinner is a possibility.
Band played for Poms during a routine at game last year and Poms made a poster for the band.

October 15th show has been cancelled.
Will have a 5-hour rehearsal that day (9 am – 2 pm), which will be shorter than a show day.

Parent question – What is happening with the band for homecoming?

There is a possibility off doing own band homecoming.
Open to parents picking up their kids to take them to homecoming after the performance.
Do not know the time yet of the performance or the schedule.
Should get the schedule a week or two before.
Will contact them to see if we can get an early time.

State is at Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs.
Quarter finals are on Friday and Semi-finals are on Saturday.
Band has not made it to semi-finals in at least 10 years.

Parent question – When do other schools begin performing on Saturday?

The competition begins at either 5:30 or 6:00 pm

Parent question – What needed for parent volunteers to get equipment on and off the field?

Kids will move all props.
Drum line starting in pit so will have extra equipment.
Would like 6 parents to help move pit for competitions and games (this includes podium for drum major and back podium).
Need 2 parents to wipe shoes.
Parents can come at end of rehearsal on Wednesday to practice moving equipment at 6:30 pm.
Kids are getting quicker about getting equipment off field and put away at the end of practices.

Saturday's performance is not as high pressure with penalties, etc.

Parent question – Where do we bring stuff that we signed up for on Saturday?

Kids can bring items to the band room or bring to competition by 5 pm before kids eat dinner.

			<p>Kids bring own lunch on Saturday to eat on bus. Option of buying food at concession stands.</p> <p>Parent question – Do all kids ride back on the bus?</p> <p>Recommend that they do as uniforms need to get put away and truck unloaded.</p> <p>No one is allowed to leave with someone unless Mr. Romero is notified.</p> <p>Parent question – Will props fit on the truck?</p> <p>This is an experiment and we will make it work. We will learn a lot and figure out what works best.</p> <p>Parent question – Will there be a change in practice schedule for next week?</p> <p>No change to practice schedule for parent/teacher conferences.</p> <p>Parent question – Where do the kids hang out at the competitions?</p> <p>We will have a couple of tents near the truck or buses or in the bleachers in a large group.</p> <p>Parents can bring chairs, but kids just sit on the ground.</p> <p>The band has been asked to perform at UC Health Hospital in the next few weeks. The ribbon cutting ceremony will be during the week in the morning. The band will get a \$5000 check for the performance.</p> <p>Have kids bring an extra jacket/sweatpants to put in locker for cold rehearsal days.</p> <p>Donations items needed: Bottle of Windex 9 Volt batteries</p>
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	Student Band Board Liaison Report	Staci Atencio	
	Guard Liaison Report	Dawn Corey	
	Winter Percussion Report	Joan Roehling	
	New Business		
	Adjourn	Pat Quinn	Meeting adjourned
	Next Meeting Date		No date was set.