Tuesday, August 14, 2018 - Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Ms. Kang

Tucker Middle School

General Band Booster Meeting

Minutes ***“Teamwork makes the Dreamwork”***

1. **Greetings -** Ms. Kang introduced herself.
2. **TMS Band Programs**

* 6th Grade Cadet Band (all 6th graders) - Description of Cadet Band given by Ms. Kang
* 7th/8th Grade Symphonic Band (all 7th/8th graders)
* 7th/8th Grade Pep Band (during football and basketball seasons)
* 6th/7th/8th Grade Jazz Band (selected 6th/7th/8th graders) - Audition is likely to be in Sept or Oct
* 6th/7th/8th Grade Drumline (selected 6th/7th/8th graders)

1. **Annual Events for 6th Grade Band Members**

* Band Cookout
* Winter Concert in December
* Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Field Trip
* Feeder School Performances
  + There are five Feeder Schools. Last year the band performed at two of the feeder schools.
  + Ms. Kang would like for the band to perform at more this year.
* Large Group Performance Evaluation (LGPE)
* Spring Concert

1. **Annual Events for 7th/8th Grade Band Members**

* 2-3 Middle School Football Games
* 2 Middle School Basketball Games
* 1 Tucker High School Football Game
* Pep Rallies
* Band Cookout
* Fall Concert (possible collaboration concert with Chorus and Orchestra)
* Winter Concert in December
* Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Field Trip
* Feeder School Performances
* Large Group Performance Evaluation (LGPE)
* Spring Concert
* Spring Trip to Orlando, FL
* Awards Day
* Tucker Day Parade in the Month of May
* Banquet at the Completion of the School year

1. **Introduction of 2018-2019 TMS Band Executive Board Members**

* Ms. Sara Roper, President
* Ms. Veronica Baker, Vice President
* Ms. Sandra Duchen, Treasurer
* Ms. Teresa Eggleston, Secretary
* Ms. Joni Johnston, 8th Grade Parent Representative
* Mr. Adam Sanderson, 7th Grade Parent Representative
* Ms. Michelle Mott, 6th Grade Parent Representative
* Mr. Lawrence, Communications
* General duties include:
  + Feeding the children
  + Act as chaperones for events
  + Assists with uniforms

1. **TMS After-School Clubs/Activities Schedules**
2. **7th/8th Grade Symphonic Band Rehearsal WILL begin starting next Tuesday from 4:20pm to 5:45pm. We WILL meet EVERY Tuesday. During the second semester we will also have sectional rehearsals on Thursdays. Morning rehearsals will likely be reserved for 6th graders primarily to prepare for competitions and performances.**
3. **7th/8th Grade Football Game Performances**

* Saturday, Sept. 8th, 2018 (Homecoming Game)

Opponent: Sequoyah MS

Game Time: 11:30am

Stadium: Adams Stadium/home game

* Saturday, Oct. 13th, 2018.

Opponent: Henderson MS

Game Time: 10:00am

Stadium: Adams Stadium/away game

* One play-off game

1. **Practice Logs**
   * 180 minutes given for any after school practice
   * 360 minutes given for any performances which includes compensation of their time
   * Due every other Thursday starting on August 30th
   * Used to encourage students to practice at home so they become better musicians
   * Count as 45% of their grade
   * Students should be responsible for tracking their minutes and time
   * Would like for the students to practice at least 30 minutes each day, but please be flexible to account for the student’s schedule
   * When practicing students should start off with warm ups, 5 to 10 minutes should include practicing scales and long tones, and then students can move to practicing sheet music of their choice.
2. **Treasurer Reports**

* Breakdown provided for $100 Band dues which should be paid by October 1st
* Band Budget
* Current Balance in Band account

1. **Band Fundraisers**

* World’s Finest Chocolate (WFC) Sale can be used to offset the cost of dues
  + $10 deposit is required to receive the first box
  + Chocolate bars are sold for $1 each
  + Box includes a variety of 60 bars
  + Once the $60 has been turned in by the students, the students account will be credited $30 and $30 is sent to World’s Finest Chocolate to cover the cost of the chocolate.
* Boon Supply ([www.boonsupply.com](http://www.boonsupply.com))
  + Band Boosters will receive 50% of all sales
  + Possible start date of September or October
* Puravida bracelets
  + Similar to Friendship Bracelets
  + Sold for approximately $6 each
* Spirit Nights at local restaurants
  + Could possibly have Skate Nights as well
  + If you have any suggestions, please email Sara Roper

1. **Music Vendor Presentations**
   * John Mullen, Vendor for Century Music Center in Decatur
   * Graduated from Florida A & M University
   * Stated music education provides more scholarship dollars than any other extracurricular activities
   * He is offering two free months before you make a payment
   * Can get an instrument online @ www.rentfromhome.com
2. **Annual Spring Trip**

* Orlando, FL Trip **Proposed** Itinerary
* Dates: Wednesday, March 27th, 2019 thru Sunday, March 31st, 2019
* Travel Consultant: Ms. Sandra Petty

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* Purpose of the annual spring trips

1. Opportunity to perform in the various states.
2. Experience master classes/workshops with the renowned musicians.
3. Cultural experiences.
4. Allow students to see history with their own eyes through music.

14. Tucker High School Band Rehearsals

* + Monday – Friday from 4:30 to 6:45 pm at THS
  + Prospective 7th/8th grade students must have a recommendation from Ms. Kang AND must have TMS band fees for 2018 – 2019 paid in FULL.
  + So far, we have 2 students interested in participating
  + Students can catch Activity bus to THS
  + Students will also be required to pay the Band Dues at THS

1. Sara Roper, Band Booster President introduced herself and welcomed all the new Band members to TMS Band.

Meeting was adjourned @ 8:02 pm.