

Athens Drive Band Booster Meeting

Thursday Sept. 8, 2016

Start Time: 7:40

Attendance: 42

President: (Susan Harrell) -Welcome

Treasurer: (Richard Spalding)- Richard went over where we are in the budget, student accounts, payments and if anyone needs financial aid where the forms can be found.

Composite Pictures: (Susan Harrell)- Susan went over that composite pictures will be done the week of Oct. 10th. Tricia Bristow of Just Smile will be producing them again this year.

Band Camp: (Susan Harrell)- Susan went over how successful band camp was, recognized all chaperones and volunteers who helped make it all a success.

Chaperones: (Kimmie Jacobs)- Kimmie discussed that we need more assistance with after-school practices and how it's an easy and great way to get to know the students.

New Volunteer Sign-up: (Deb Alvord): Deb briefly stated that she is working on getting our new sign-up ready to launch. The goal is to have all types of sign-ups switched and integrated into one calendar by November 1. An orientation session and documentation will be provided to help committee chairs know how to do the sign-ups.

Coupon Books: (Wendy Bennett)- Sale extended to next Thursday Sept. 15th. Some families have sold nearly 50 books!

Grocery Cards: (Jennifer Wakeford)- link your account to Harris Teeter to make band money. We earned \$1500 from Harris Teeter last year. HT will split your account between 5 different organizations. We only need 8 more people linked to get into contest. Jennifer also stated that she had grocery cards from Food Lion and Lowes, as well as car wash cards. Jennifer also told us about "Thankscripping Day" on Sept. 19. Also, that Sept. 20th at midnight was the deadline to order your scrip cards. Susan Harrell talked about tips for reloadable scrip cards.

BBQ: (Sahee Kim): BBQ is 2 weeks away. Lots of spots still need to be filled. Need help with delivery, servers, dessert makers, and people to hand out flyers for pre-orders. Sahee will be at school on Thursday night before the BBQ at pick-up to receive desserts. Last year, we made \$1000 selling desserts. Spring BBQ made over \$5000 – hoping to beat that since the fall BBQ is usually better.

Mattress Sale: (Aleece Spalding)- Nov 12 is our sale date. There are other locations if you need a mattress before then and it will still get credited to Athens. Aleece asked if other organizations can talk it up. Aleece gives her testimonial of how great her mattress is. She also explains how to get mattress-free delivery. The band can make anywhere from \$3000-\$7000 with this sale. Clint- mattress rep. works with everyone to make it work. Aleece gives examples of sales: if we sell 100 mattresses we get bonus of \$3000. Every student who sells a mattress gets \$25. Aleece explains how working with all organizations

within the school works better for everyone. Susan lets everyone know that Aleece is a graduating parent and needs a trainee.

State Fair Parking: (Richard Spalding)- Sign up goes live at 1pm on Saturday. Sign up early. Both Fridays of the Fair the band will be performing at the Football games. Both Saturdays, the band has competitions. We will especially need families to sign up for those dates. During the day you monitor lots, night shifts collect money for parking. This fundraiser earns approximately \$25,000 for band- our biggest fundraiser. You have to be 18 years or older. At the 9-9 there will be training for State Fair Parking. Sign-ups go quickly. Please sacrifice a football game or competition to work – we need to fill *all* spots.

Big Al's: (Wayne Childers): This fundraiser funds your individual account. It runs the whole time of the Fair. 10 days provide 5 shifts which are 10:30 am-3:30 and another 5 shifts 3:30-9:00pm. Many benefits to working this fundraiser: Free T-shirt, Free food, free admission to Fair, great people, easy work. Duties include: plating, passing, expediting food and cleaning up. Need to staff all slots. The sign-up goes live on Monday Sept 12. Tuesday, Oct. 4th there will be an orientation meeting. Adults receive \$9 an hour, students have to be 16 years or older and must work with their parent. Wayne would like a trainee ASAP to work with he and Al this year since he is a graduation parent.

RailHawks: (Sherry Skinner)- Remaining games have been posted, this fundraiser is doing very well because it's easy and close. The regular season games end in Oct. but we may get other events to work after Oct.

PARCC: (Wendy Bennett)- First event is tomorrow, Glenna and Wendy are working it. You have to be TIPS trained and you receive \$8 per hour. Events are at the Raleigh Convention Center, and Performing Arts Center. You have to be 21+ and Tips trained- which only takes about 1 hour. There will be another TIPS training on Sept. 19 at 7pm and will be the last training before the holiday season. The uniform is black pants, black button down shirt. This fundraiser is not available for service credits.

PNC: (John Chavaichi)- Kick off has begun, Sept & Oct not too many events only 3 hockey games. November is when events pick up. This fundraiser is available for service credits. There is a uniform to wear. It's a great way to meet parents, puts money in your account. There will be a training session during the 9-9 and am one and a pm one. The Oct. events shouldn't conflict with State Fair.

Carwash: (Jennifer Wakeford)- Car wash tickets cost \$24. \$8 goes into your band account. This an ongoing fundraiser.

Let's Eat: (Austin Russell)- Our next "Let's Eat" is at Chipotle 100 Wrenn Drive, Cary is on Mexican Monday Oct. 3. The band earns 50% of profits.

Jump in and get involved: (Susan Harrell)-

- Boosters need senior recognition volunteer for event in Mid Oct.
- We need end of year senior video person.
- Mattress sale and Big Al's need trainees.
- We need a trip planner to train with Richard Spalding, as well as a trainee for CMAF.
- Need a chair for "Gotta Luv Golf" as well as other committees need co-chairs and trainees.

Next Booster Meeting: (Susan Harrell)- Our next booster meeting will be Oct. 13th. They are usually the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Director News: (Doc)-

- Doc recognized Jeighla Wright for practicing so hard the entire time we have been meeting.
- Students have learned 72 pages of drill & 13/14 of pregame. Half-time show is almost done
- Doc show us breathing machine (tube) that students use to learn how to breathe- Austin demos.
- Wind Ensemble will be 1 of 2 honor bands to go UNCG- on April 22nd.
- WP still doesn't know if they will be going to Dayton this year.
- No word on Rose Bowl.
- Uniforms – t-shirts will still be worn at next football game. After that uniforms will be worn all the time.
- During the 9-9 there will be 3 parts of the day. 9-12, 1:30-4:30 then 6-9. The 6-9pm section will be at the stadium. Parents are encouraged to come and watch practice and a final performance.
- Doc emphasized that the competitions are not about the trophies; they are about the kids doing their best.
- Please come to the shows! Oct. 6th chamber concert.
- Fall concert will be Nov. 3.
- Thanks to all parents for all they do for the band. Keep doing your best!!

Meeting ended: 9:40pm