

Terra Nova Band Boosters Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday November 5, 2019

**In attendance:** Adriana Arambula, Javier Sanchez, Karen Crow, Michelle Gunderson, Letty Soto, Cathy Burk, Katie Sablinsky, Natalie Amundsen, Brian Lewsadder, Ame Seibel (Vice Principal), Kim Webb, Craig Amundsen, Elena Royale, Gwendolyn Cudiamat, Heather Cole, Barbara Bruxvoort, Joel Bruxvoort

Draft minutes to be sent to all board members, plus any attendees.

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:04

**November Agenda:** Approved.

**October Meeting Minutes:** Approved.

Upcoming Events:

- 11/8/19 Home Football Game
- 11/16/19 James Logan Competition (wait list)
- 11/23-24/19 championships in Kingsburg
- 12/02/19 Small Batch Jam orders due

**Band Director's Report:**

- We've had 3 competitions. Still on the waitlist for James Logan (11/16). Final decision on whether we'll be able to attend will be next Monday (11/11).
- Winter Concert date is not finalized. Will be the first or second week of December.
- December 7 there will be a Winter Percussion workshop.

**Treasurer's report**

- Treasurer's report presented.
- **Motion to alter budget to reflect additional \$400 needed for new cart casters. M/S/P.**
- Noted that although balance seems large, band writes many large checks at the end of the school year when bills come in.
- Letty said that Golden Envelopes will be sent out this week. She got almost all the letters signed by students Monday.

**Continuing Business**

**Fresno Competition:**

- Discussion of Buffet Dinner for 65 people will be expensive. Karen feels that it still fits within the budget. In case, uncategorized \$700 budgeted for Fresno will be designated for food if needed.
- Discussion of Chaperones and approval. Barbara to follow up with Ms. Carey's secretary (Lori Morrow) and/or District office to confirm that paperwork is in order and steps for board approval have been or will be

fulfilled. From the band perspective, Kim believes all chaperone paperwork is in. Chaperones will be Adriana Arambula, Tanya Guido, Greg Feldman, Matthew Pottinger, Diane Madsen, Brian Lewsadder.

### **Winter Program**

- Now will only be Winter Drumline
- Lots of discussion about budget, salaries, purpose, etc.
- Budget of program is set by boosters, and salaries would also be paid by boosters.
- Board assigned subcommittee to work on this program: Barbara Bruxvoort, Adriana, Natalie (in advisory capacity) and bring in interested Winter Program parents. Look at scope of program do some research.
- Natalie connected Oliver with folks at Longboard for possible fundraiser. Suggested boosters help Winter Program develop fundraising events that can become traditional for Winter Program

### **Update Bylaws:**

In Article IV, Section I, change “TNBB will meet the second Tuesday of each month during the academic year in the Terra Nova Band room.” to read “TNBB will meet monthly on a regular day of the month during the school year. The schedule and any deviations from the schedule will be approved at a TNBB meeting.”

According to our bylaws, we have to vote on the bylaws change for two meetings before finalizing it at a third meeting. Voted on in Sept

**This was discussed briefly but not voted on in Oct**

### **New Business**

Boosters thanked Ms. Seibel for attending the meeting and expressed concerns regarding some specific name calling incidents at school and frustration with communications. Boosters want to be part of the solution but instead feel isolated and unappreciated. Ms Siebel was going to bring our concerns to Ms Carey and that we requested Ms. Carey come to a meeting to discuss this issue.

### **Competition Help**

Assessment is that things are going very well. Decided to go ahead with James Logan iVolunteer to make sure we have the volunteers if it's a go. If James Logan doesn't happen, there will be a Super Saturday. Discussion of whether to provide a meal for kids. Decision was no & to save those funds and volunteer efforts for other things.

### **New board member recruitment**

Adriana mentioned how helpful it was to receive a personal invitation and encouragement from Kim to join the board and recommended that board members reach out to other parents in the same way to get more involvement.

Communication with the school and attitude of school groups towards the band came up, recommendation that we look at adding a communication officer to get pictures and information about the band to the district office and folks in charge of TN website. (April Hawkins at the district office for JUHSD website; Hannah Christionson at TN office for TN website)

### **Leadership sub committee and Pearls of Wisdom**

Natalie asked to table till the next meeting due to late hour and also offered to speak individually with people to pass on 8 years of knowledge about TN band.

### **Spring Dinner Auction**

- Date is March 28. Theme is "Circus."

### **Fundraising**

- Upper Crust Bakery has suggested a fundraiser with kids playing some music on Saturday December 14 at lunchtime. They would donate 10% of proceeds to Band.
- Don't forget TN Band is on Amazon Smile! Kim to send reminder for holiday shopping.

**Next Meeting:** 12/3/2019

**Meeting adjourned:** 8:40 PM