

MINUTES

General Membership Meeting

Thursday, July 30, 2020 | 6:00pm | Zoom video conference

Call to Order/Approval of Minutes

- Note: This meeting was held via Zoom video conference due to the COVID-19/coronavirus pandemic. There were 70 participants in the conference which included band booster officers, directors along with students and band family members.
- President Ida Musgrove called the meeting to order at 6:05pm. The purpose of this meeting was to
 provide an update on the schedule changes necessitated by COVID and school calendar changes by the
 district and answer questions. This meeting was a forum to answer questions however if the question
 is related to a policy or procedural matter or decision made by the directors, families should contact
 Mr. Lucita or Ida Musgrove directly to discuss.
- Review and approval of prior general membership meeting minutes was done electronically by Shelly Allen, Jackie Hooks and Lisa Tate. All meeting minutes and agendas are available for review on our website www.johnsonbands.com. Shelly Allen, Danielle Belden and Sheryl Powell volunteered to review meeting minutes for this meeting.
- Jaguar band directors, including our new director Mr. James Malik, along with the officers of the Johnson Band Boosters introduced themselves..

Discussion/Committee Reports

Updates:

- Update regarding replacement marching shoes and meal plans was provided. Replacement marching shoes ordered via the Johnson Bands website by returning members will be refunded in full as they have not been ordered. Meal plans will be adjusted upon learning of the new schedule for events where meals will be necessary. Once the updated plans and pricing is determined based upon the Directors new schedule, the new meal plan will be communicated and families will have the option to select the new plans and a process for refunds will be handled in a prompt manner.
- **Spirit Night**: The August spirit night previously scheduled at Mod Pizza was canceled and will be rescheduled when events can again be held. Generally spirit nights are held once per month. Total earned from all Spirit Nights for the 2019-2020 school year is \$2,808.10.

• New Business:

- o *Fundraising:* Carmen Sifuentes, VP of Fundraising provided an update.
 - Jaguar Band Masks and Bell Covers: Each Jaguar Band student will receive 2 specialized masks that will be used for all band activities and should be considered part of your uniform. The masks follow recommendations of a study on safety protocols for bands (study link can be found on the "News" section of www.johnsonbands.com). Additional masks will be available for purchase should one be lost. Bell covers for instruments were also purchased. These items will be distributed at summer band.
 - **Jag Swag Store:** Reviewed our Jag Swag store process. We host a merchandise store through TMF several times per year. This will be opening soon for ordering and will be communicated via our newsletter, FB, email and our website. You order online during

the store window and items are processed after the store closes, sent to production and shipped directly to your home address generally 3 weeks later. We anticipate opening the store to ensure delivery on items prior to the first football game (end of September delivery). We will occasionally create special items independently and sell them directly on our website store. Items will be posted and communicated when available. Items such as our Jaguar Chrome Vehicle Emblems are currently being offered on our website store and will be coordinating pick up once these items are received. If you have any questions, please contact Carmen or Wendy Cordero, our spirit gear chair.

- Jaguar Jog 5k/10k: Our 2nd Jaguar Jog 5k/10k is scheduled for Sat. Sept 19th. For the Love of Go, our race organizer, has run successful and socially distanced in person races and a plan has been developed to make this event a success. The committee is still actively searching for new members to help promote the event and make it successful. They will be meeting on Tuesday, Aug 4th and members were invited to share their contact information if they would like to participate. You are encouraged to volunteer for the event and/or register for the event as a racer or sleepwalker (to just get the shirt) at www.jaguarjog.com.
- Membership: Tina Cuellar reviewed the goals of Band Boosters and encouraged families to join as official members. Memberships allow families or individuals to have a voice in the direction of the organization along with the ability to vote in general membership meetings. Individual membership is \$25 and family membership is \$40 (2 voting members) and is available for purchase on our website at www.johnsonbands.com. Please join!

Directors Report – Mr. Joey Lucita

- Band Schedule & Daily Protocol: The schedule for the upcoming season was shared by Mr. Lucita. Thorough details will be communicated by the directors soon via email. Please know that the information provided below is not official information but unofficial notes taken by the band boosters during the report provided by the Director's at the booster meeting on July 30. Also specific schedules for guard and percussion will be different and are coming soon. Schedule will be reflected on our band calendar in Charms and our band website very soon.
 - Due to COVID, students have the opportunity to participate in band in several different ways.
 After the first 3 weeks of school which are currently virtual instruction only, options include:
 - In Person instruction with marching band you will participate in in person band classes and marching band along with all rehearsals/performances/events.
 - Remote instruction with in-person band class and marching band you can choose remote instruction for your class but still participate in person for your band class period. You will be in the marching band and participate in all rehearsals/performances/events.
 - Remote only instruction with marching band you will participate in only remote instruction during the day (including remote band class) and in person marching band for all rehearsals/performances/events.
 - Remote only instruction with no marching band you will participate in only remote instruction and no marching band activities (note: your student will NOT receive PE credit).
 - A google form will be sent out soon so that families can indicate which selection they are choosing for this year so that directors can plan ahead for this season.
 - Summer Band: (Marching students only)
 - August 10-August 27 8am-4pm and will be Monday through Thursday only.

• A and B days. A days are Mon/Wed where Woodwinds will receive face to face instruction. B days are Tues/Thurs where Brass will receive face to face instruction. If it is not your in person day, you should anticipate remote instruction.

o Protocol:

Daily screenings will be done that include a COVID electronic form, temperature checks, etc. These items will be completed prior to your admission for rehearsal each day.
 Masks will be provided (2) and worn by all participants at all times (excluding when eating). Social distancing will occur at all times. Frequent sanitizing will happen. A traffic pattern will be developed and communicated to include drop off, pick up, and hallways. Instruments will go home daily with students and locker room use will be monitored and minimized this season.

Uniforming and Equipment:

- Performance uniform requirements are reduced. Student uniforms will consist of khaki shorts and custom dri-fit shirt and mask. These items will be provided by the program or boosters (returning members will reuse shorts from last year or the replacement items previously purchased). Students will also wear jeans (when applicable) and regular tennis shoes. For hydration, ½ gallon water jugs will be used exclusively this year (not hydration packs) due to the protocol around refilling these items. New band members will receive a charcoal water jug for use. Returning members can use the black ones they received last year or purchase a new one in charcoal (independently or via our next online store). We are investigating options to put a name sticker or other identifier on each jug.
 - Items families will need to purchase include plain white shirts for rehearsals (you will write a spot number with a sharpie on them so think like a 5 pack of hanes white undershirts), a lyre and flip folder (as chairs and stands will not be used due to frequent contact). Instructions on how/where to purchase lyres and flip folders will be communicated soon.
 - Guard generally coordinates a "color of the day" for summer band rehearsals. Guard will be developing a performance uniform and that will be communicated soon.
- Football Games: The Jaguar Band will only be attending "home" varsity football games this season. The only variation may be that we attend the game vs Lehman (check calendar) if capacity limitations allow. Transportation will be provided for all band students to/from Johnson High School.
- Physicals: Physicals are due before your student may participate in band activities on August 10th.
 The Preparticipation Physical can be found on our website at
 https://www.johnsonbands.com/forms-and-docs. It is a PDF that requires you to print and complete.
 - o All students MUST turn in Page 1 of this form.
 - o If you are a returning student with a physician signed physical on file from last year AND you answer NO to all 6 questions on page 1, you are not required to complete page 2 with a physician signature/examination.
 - o IF you answer YES to any of those 6 questions, then a current physician signature/examination is required and you must turn in BOTH pages.
 - IF you are a new band member, BOTH pages including physician signature/examination is required. Forms may be scanned, emailed to Mrs. Mendez at <u>tracye.mendez@hayscisd.net</u> prior to August 10th.

Wrap Up/Announcements/Upcoming Dates

- There was a Q&A session at the end of the meeting. Most questions were detailed in the above minutes.
- Band camp begins 8/10.
- Check your email for additional details and information coming soon.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.