

# North Davidson Marching Black Knights

## Band Booster Meeting Minutes

### August 15, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Chip Vanderzee, Vice President. Chip welcomed everyone and then introduced Tanya Parks, Band Booster President, upon her return from making more copies of the Band Booster Agenda because of the substantial parental turnout.

**Minutes:** N/A

#### **Introduction of Officers:**

Tanya Parks -President  
Chip Vanderzee - Vice President  
Christina Vanderzee - Treasurer  
Crystal DeBusk - Secretary

Also Introduced:

Michelle Winter - Sergeant at Arms - in charge of Chaperones and Volunteers  
Festival Heads - Lynn Elkins, Maria Hall & Terri Smith  
Fundraising - Carolyn Shoaf  
Pit - Todd Reed

An opportunity to volunteer with all these activities and more (50/50, Snacks) was asked for and there were tables set up in the front of the church with signup sheets.

For parents new to the band scene Chip Vanderzee went over what to expect for Saturday competitions and Friday night games:

- ❖ Typical Saturday for competitions
  - 1st one maybe a double header
  - Kids will need to be there several hours before leaving so that they may practice
  - Kids are fed before leaving to go to Competition (Sara Danner and Jackie Essick)
  - Can be late nights
  - Kids do most of the work - parents are there to oversee
- ❖ Friday night games
  - Home games
    - Take everything to the field (Instruments, props, etc.)
    - After show unload (Instruments, props, etc.)
    - Put away uniforms
    - If next day is a competition - have to turn around and leave early the next morning
  - Away games - same as above just leave earlier and get out later

Competitions - Mr. Fordham chooses the competitions and is very selective over them based on what bands are competing, who the judges are and how well the band is doing.

Volunteers for working the JV Concession stand September 5 and 26 were asked for – a definite goodwill gesture!

Terri Smith was introduced as the Website Administrator  
Kathy Hayes was introduced as the Uniform Chairperson  
- Tanya Parks explained Uniforms are needed – major expense  
- Thinking about painting the silver helmets black – save money

**Treasurer's Report:** presented by Christina Vanderzee, Treasurer

Christina provided and went over a handout showing the NDBB Budget Actual that was current through 08/05/13. She reported that some monies were not reflected on the handout like recently paid band dues and a pending \$334 Sales Tax return. Also \$900 was raised in a car wash just for uniforms (thanks to Ariana) and \$936 was raised for the Denny Fordham Scholarship just from Knight Notes and Cider sales at the festival.

Gail Motsinger was recognized for feeding the kids so well all week at Band Camp!

T-shirt for the band was designed by Josh Wilson for the "A little bit of Soul" show. The t-shirts are included in the band fees for band members and are offered to others for \$15.00.

**Fundraising:** Carolyn Shoaf

Carolyn explained there are two options to being a band parent

- 1) Stay home and be sad
- 2) or come and enjoy!

Some Kids stay over after school on practice days (Tues & Thurs 6:30 - 8:30 with sectionals starting at 5:30) and on game days. The older students look out after the newbies – they do their homework and sometimes walk to the local eateries.

Why there is Fundraising - we are struggling for money for new uniforms

- First have to meet budget
- The boosters have to pay for most everything (i.e. \$1.00 a mile for a bus X 3 buses = a lot!)
- Band fees do not cover much of the band expenses!!!

Strategy:

1. Capital Campaign - straight out donation - sponsor a uniform (Orange sheet)
2. Events - One a month - money will be split between budget and uniforms (printing donated)
3. Restaurant nights - where a participating restaurant will donate a portion of their proceeds to the band - you have to let them know you are with the band when you go
4. Sales - Attraction Books- 1st one in area to sell them- middle school not selling them (turn in dates 8/29, 9/5, 9/11)
  - Fruit Sales
  - Tupperware Fundraising - will donate shipping costs
  - Deweys - Going to sign up to do a seasonal store.
    - Set up the store
    - Decorate the store
    - Stock with product
    - Provide I-pads for cash registers
    - No up-front cost
    - Keep % of sales
    - Store front needs to be found to set up store and this can be taken off on the owners taxes (\* Any donations tax deductible)
    - Need to find people with daytime availability - possibly grandparents
    - Dewey will also supply us with a van with product for the festival
  - No Christmas Trees this year (not enough sales last year)

Lynn Elkins brought up Shopping with the Band - this is done from the bands website and a portion of the sales goes to the band.

Meeting adjourned to sign up tables.

Respectfully submitted,  
Crystal DeBusk, Secretary