

EEU Booster – Monthly Parent Meeting

Esperanza High School Band Room

1/8/19, 7:00-8:00

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm by President John Zarske.

II. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS:

Sign-in sheet – All attendees were asked to make sure they sign-in before leaving.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 11/6/18 and 12/19/18

Minutes from 11/6/18 and 12/19/18 parent meetings were distributed for review and approval. Motion to approve seconded. Minutes approved.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

V. REPORTS:

a. President's Report - President – John Zarske

1. Thank yous:

- a. Sharise and Craig Norrbaum for coordinating the Count Meets the Duke
- b. Carrie Mulner for coordinating the Holiday Concert raffle

2. Volunteer Opportunities:

- a. Nominations Committee to work on the new slate of EEU board members - Lois Sakoda, Ed Hanley and Nathan Abler. The new slate will be presented in March and voted on at the last booster meeting at the spring concert. Positions that will be coming vacant: President, 2nd VP of fundraising, Treasurer and Secretary (Nancy Brisco is unable to do the second year of her term).
- b. We will also be looking for parents to coordinate some events for next year (please see page 5 of the EEU handbook). I will be looking to find replacements for the senior parents. I will compile that list and send out an email.

3. Upcoming Events- we are at the point in the year where we go different directions. Keep an eye on the web site and the emails for your events.

(Kristi Glenday discussed communications– there will be email distributions but also REMIND. Please subscribe to remind – look on website for the various ones) Also look at the online calendar.)

Five things for everyone's calendar: two big fundraisers for the EEU and 3 big events:

- a. **Quarter Madness, 2/8** - Carrie Mulner discussed: planning and ticket sales are going on now. (Ticket order forms were passed around at the meeting. Return forms to the Everything Box.) It's a large fundraiser at YL Community Center. Seating available for 225. Everyone needs a ticket - \$20 per person includes dinner buffet catered by Blue Agave. There will be a vegetarian choice, also beer & wine, possibly margaritas (\$5 per drink) you

can prepay for drinks on the order form. This year, in order to speed up the check-in process, you will receive a hard ticket for check in. These will be given to the EEU students. They've been very busy collecting prizes both for Silent auction and the quarter auction. Examples: Anaheim Ducks, Angels Baseball, Black Gold foursome, Honda Center Harlem Globe Trotters, Concourse private bowling, Southwest tickets for 4, Knotts, 6 Flags, Teen Driving Academy, Total Wine tasting class for 20 friends, Gift certificates such as: Chick-fil-A, Bed Bath & Beyond, AMC, Costco, El Cholo, various etc. Hopefully, we will have about 100 prizes for the quarter auction and then also the Silent Auction prizes. Jazz I will play. EEU students might be able to work for volunteer hours. Feb. 8 doors open at 5. Tables are rounds of 8 and can be reserved if you email Carrie. We will have quarters there. Children can come. Last year net profit was \$10,000. This means less fundraising rest of the year.

- b. **Aztec Jazz Festival, 3/9** - Planning will start soon. It's an all-day event for which we need all EEU parents. We are not performing because we are hosting. We anticipate 50-60 performing groups. We take care of all concessions and we need volunteers!
- c. **Band Prom, 5/10** - Planning will start soon. We will need parents for set up, take down and chaperoning. We do this because the Esperanza EHS prom conflicts with the Reno Jazz festival. We combine with Valencia High School. Lots of fun! (Note: If a group gets into the Ellington Festival in New York, that group would miss band prom also.)
- d. **Spring Concert, 5/29** - Spaghetti dinner or BBQ?
- e. **Band Banquet, 6/6** - We have a banquet committee that will need volunteers, planning will start soon. Contrary to what your kids might tell you, parents do go to this!

b. **1st VP (Uniforms) – Tammy Shields/Leah Armstrong**

c. **2nd VP (Fundraising) – Martha Stewart/Rosie Delgado**

(Denise Moore shared their comments, since neither could make the meeting.)

- 1. Events coming up:
 - a. Quarter Madness (as already discussed by Carrie Mulner)
 - Last year we made about \$10,000.

d. **Treasurer – Denise Moore**

- 1. Flyers of treasurer's report handed out. Discussed Incoming vs expenses.
 - a. Major deposits: it was a light month. Performance donations \$2,492; Count Meets Duke \$1,800 CMD; Ewaste \$251; Wiseguys Meet N'Greet \$203
 - b. Major expenses: Entry fees \$2,070
- 2. Performance Donations update: 77% of goal; please drop off in Everything Box if you can.

e. **Secretary – Nancy Brisco**

f. **Director – Mr. Davis**

- 1. This is the calm before the storm. Now the students will break off into 17 groups. 3 concert, 3 jazz, 8 combos, chamber groups, etc.
- 2. Students provide their own transportation now. Monica will coordinate drivers.
- 3. The percussion ensemble has blown up in a good way - Too many people 19!
- 4. We had auditions for placement in the concert groups. (This is so we can play what we want, not just what we need to, based on skill.) Most were done before Winter Break, but we are still

wrapping up the auditions. They are Blind auditions – chairs are not guaranteed for anyone. Just based on skill. If student asks, he will discuss the number with them.

5. Renovations are being done in the theatre. Mostly just aesthetic now. No more caution tape on the seats! Lights etc. will be done next fiscal year. It will be much better. It will be up and running by the time we need it.
6. Aztec Jazz Festival 55 groups - We make food for them. (We don't perform because the kids are tired, frustrated and don't sound too good.) We get great feedback because we run a great festival! Everyone enjoys the personal touch.
7. February starts getting busy.
8. Finals week: Monday and Friday are no school days. Zero period only Tuesday & Wednesday, not on Thursday.
9. Schedule of Skills – Needs to be 50% done by end of this semester! They can take it as many times as needed to pass. NEW this year – To not have an automatic FAIL they must have at least attempted the sight reading – 8 measures (bars). Ask your student. It doesn't take long and is not soul crushing hard. Sight reading is a great skill to be focusing on.
10. Attire for the various groups was discussed. (See Handbook or ask Mr. Davis.)
There are a few bow ties in uniform room.
No Dinkles!

VI. BUSINESS:

VII. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

VIII. OTHER:

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Next Meeting – 2/5/19, 7:00 Esperanza HS Band Room