

EEU Booster Meeting Minutes
Esperanza High School Band Room
1/7/20, 7:00-8:00

I.Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by president, Nathan Abler.

II.Happy New year, Welcome back!

III.The minutes from the 11/5/19 were distributed for review and approval. Motion to approve seconded.
Minutes approved

IV.The budget was distributed for review and approval. Motion to approve seconded. Budget was approved without changes.

V.Reports

a. President's Report – Nathan Abler

i.Thank you to Dana Sakoda and Cara Melendez for coordinating the Count Meets the Duke!!,\$2,100 was raised for the program at this event! Thank you to Stacy Finn for coordinating the Holiday concert raffle and putting together the baskets (\$815 were raised)! Thank you to everyone who supported our showing of Star Wars, \$415 were raised and it was a lot of fun!

ii.Volunteer Opportunities -

1. We have a Nominations Committee to work on the new slate of EEU board members. That committee is: Monica Jochum (Chair), Dana Ericson, and Jim Shields. The new slate will be presented in March and voted on at the last booster meeting at the spring concert. The only board position that will be coming vacant is 1st VP - Uniforms.
2. 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 of needed volunteers and send out an email.

iii.Upcoming Events - we are at the point in the year where we go in many different directions. Keep an eye on the website and the emails for your events. There are some big things coming up that should be on everyone's calendar:

1. Casino Night, 2/7 planning and ticket sales are going on now, Nancy Brisco and Team Casino are working hard to put on this fun fundraiser! Get your tickets ASAP.
2. Aztec Jazz Festival, 3/14 (planning will start soon, all day event, need all EEU parents to help. John Zarske informed us that we will be hosting about 60 performing groups and selling concessions all day. John also needs to be training someone throughout the festival this year to take over for him next year-volunteer today!!
3. Band Prom, 5/8 (planning will start soon, will need parents for set up, take down and chaperoning) – fun event for parents to chaperone and students to attend
4. Big Band Blowout, 5/21 Cara Melendez informed us that students can begin selling ads in the BBB program to off-set band costs, more info will be coming soon.
5. Spring Concert, 5/27

6. 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 – if your student needs a black jacket, have them contact Tammy or Leah to check one out. In February, uniforms will go out to be cleaned, would like to train next year's uniform volunteer in this process. Script order will go out this Thursday. Ensure your child's name is on the order.

c. 2nd VP (fundraising) – Kathy Brown

Events: Panda Express Meet & Eat will be January 24th Thank you for supporting the Meet & Eat fundraisers, we've made \$420 profit so far on meet & eats this year. Casino night update by Nancy – We've got LOTS of great prizes including passes to comic-con! Eric Berry won the early bird raffle. Friends and neighbors are welcome to attend as well! Get your tickets today!

d. Treasurer – Tawny/Brandon Dickens – Budget, no changes to bottom line. Kristi Glenday thank you for pulling together the Ellington Payments! Performance donations are at 86%

e. Secretary – Monica Jochum – nothing to report

f. Director – Mr. Davis – Thankful for everyone's help on events such as Count Meets the Duke. The support of the parents helps make for a successful program and allows Mr. Davis to do his job effectively. We are breaking into 17 different ensembles. For percussion and color guard, expect to have schedules approximately 7-10 days prior to performance, we will always get the schedules out to parents as soon as possible. Concert band schedules are more concrete. Performing band dress code: For Symphonic Band, Guys wear white dress shirt, black pants, black straight tie, black shoes and black socks. Ladies wear black dresses, or black long skirts and white blouses. Dresses and skirts must go below the knees while seated, or leggings must be worn underneath. For Wind Ensemble, guys wear tuxes (black pants, jacket and bow tie). Ladies wear black dresses, or black long skirts and white blouses. Dresses and skirts must go below the knees while seated, or leggings must be worn underneath. The Schedules for jazz band performances will be given to students as soon as possible, usually 10-14 days before performances. The majority of events at this point are self-transportation, and we will not have busses.

End of semester-We will have zero period on Tuesday and Wednesday of finals week. There will be no zero period on that Thursday. Students should have Schedule of skills half way finished by the end of the 1st semester. They can check off items with Mr. Davis, Mr. Turner, or a section leader, the list is long and they have known about this since the beginning. All Schedule of Skills must be turned in by 12:30 pm on WEDS of finals week. If your student is thinking about making schedule changes regarding band, please make sure they see Mr. Davis prior to making those changes permanent.

Jam sessions start this Thursday, 6-7:30. Each Jazz student must sign up for one jam session, but are welcome to attend as many as they want.

Travel is every 3 years with the full ensemble. Regarding our trip for next spring break (2021)- 90% sure it will be Washington DC, other 10% is NY or Hawaii. We are in the beginning planning phase, parents should have most of the info by May, so you can plan.

VI.Meeting was adjourned at 7:36pm

Next Meeting – 2/4/20, 7:00, Esperanza HS Band Room