

## EEU Booster/New Parent Meeting Minutes

### Virtual Esperanza High School Band Room - Zoom

5/7/20, 5:00-6:00

- I. Call to Order – Meeting began at 5:04pm
- II. Welcome & Introductions – Nathan Abler
- III. Reports
  - A. 1<sup>st</sup> VP Uniforms-Leah and Tammy
    - Uniforms have been cleaned and returned and Some orders that need to be placed. Good luck to our next year’s VP of uniforms, Carrie!
  - B. 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Fundraising-Kathy Brown
    - Fundraising will resume once school begins
  - C. Treasurer-Tawny & Brandon Dickens
    - Received all payments from Meet & Eat fundraisers
    - Issued lots of refunds and checks are going out from the cancelled Aztec Jazz Festival and other things.
    - Missing some revenue from the year with many big revenue sources cancelled, but we will still end up in the positive financially.
  - D. Secretary-Monica Jochum
    - As we are preparing to register for another year of band, please be aware of registration due dates. Make sure you turn in Physicals, FamilyID registration, and all other registration paperwork on time. Read all EEU communication to stay up to date on when things are due.
- IV. Announcements
  - A. President – Nathan Abler
    - Please Volunteer! Take a look at the EEU handbook to see where we need help and volunteer for what you can. It would be nice if everyone could volunteer a little time. Page 5 in handbook has more info on volunteering.
    - Carrie Schultz is voted in as 1<sup>st</sup> VP of Uniforms. Thank you, Carrie!
  - B. Director – Mr. Davis
    - Read through the handbook for information about the coming year. All times listed are start and end times. Students need to arrive with enough time to get set up, and expect your student to be dismissed after clean-up which is typically well after the stated end time.
    - We have high standards for our student’s behavior, especially while out travelling. Please read about performance etiquette in the handbook.
    - White V-neck shirts will be required for all students, please read about uniform guidelines in the handbook.
    - The schedule in the handbook stands as of now, we will act AS IF this will be our plan until we confirm that changes need to be made. Freshman Friday for band camp will be August 14th and band camp will begin for all on August 17<sup>th</sup>.

Please be aware of the band camp schedule and of all regular rehearsal dates and times. They are all in the handbook.

- EEU Band Registration (which is different from Esperanza registration), All dates and documents for Band registration are in the handbook.
- In regard to our budget, any financial assistance is helpful. See pages 11-12 in the handbook. We do ask families to contribute a performance donation to help keep the program running and help pay for staff, music, etc. This is paid at EEU Band Registration. If you have financial concerns, please send Mr. Davis an email. He's never prevented a student from participating due to finances... Any checks to the program should be made to EEU.
- The Transportation fee, and ASB card are paid for at Esperanza Registration
- EEU Booster Meetings – 1 person per household must attend, could be parent, neighbor, grandparent, etc.
- Remember that the schedule in the handbook is tentative. We are going to act AS IF these things will occur on schedule until we hear otherwise from Mr. Davis. Please wait for official word from Mr. Davis before assuming the schedule has changed.
- The week of June 8<sup>th</sup> we will likely be able to do an instrument return/check out day.
- We are working on getting approval for a drive-in style band banquet for the current 2019-2020 students. We are waiting to hear back from the district, more info to follow if this will be allowed.
- Once you've read the handbook, return the signature page to the Everything Box in the band room. (when able)
- EEU Washington DC trip will be March 29-April 2, 2021
  - Travel with the whole EEU takes place once every 3 years
  - All band and color guard students and their families are welcome
  - 5 Day performance tour
  - See flyer sent in EEU emails for more details
  - Register online by May 29<sup>th</sup>
  - Purchasing your own travel insurance for this trip might be a good idea
  - Students sleep 4 to a room (they will sign up for roommates closer to the trip dates)
  - Students may not stay in their parent's rooms if parents are on the trip
- Mr. Davis appreciated the parade last week, it was so nice to see everybody!
- If anyone knows a bass player, we are in need. It can be a student who isn't already in the program.
- Feel free to email Mr. Davis with any questions you may have. If you have 3 or more questions, call him or email him with your contact information so he can call you back.

V. Minutes from the 3/3/20 Band booster meeting were approved as presented.

VI. Zoom meeting ended at 6:01pm