



# DAVIS HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTERS

DHS Band Boosters  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 7, 2015

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**Meeting called to order at 7:34 PM by President John Horn**

## **Welcome & Announcements:**

**Introductions:** By John of 2015-6 Band Boosters Officers:

John Horn, President  
Wesley Young, Vice President  
Ron Mikalson, Treasurer  
Cheryl Walker, Secretary

Meetings 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday every month, most often in Band Room

**Agenda posted, and Annual Band Schedule (version dated today) distributed**

## **Director's Report**

Thanks to parents. Concern re: leadership after this year with the departure of John and Katie Horn. He needs Band Boosters to build a robust program, and we need leadership.

This is busiest week of year with Homecoming. Things going well.

- Tuesday pep band rehearsal with 9<sup>th</sup> graders.
- Thursday, Oct 8th Lamppost fundraiser at 6PM – kids will play / parents need to buy pizza!
- Friday parade downtown and game

Jazz Band's 1<sup>st</sup> concert Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>

Schedule discussed. Mandatory events noted. Need to add Reno event April 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Meeting Minutes from September** will be sent out

## **Communication:**

- Parents not receiving emails invited to write email on circulating document. John described 3 listserves for the 3 bands as well as the friends and families for alums.
- Web page: <http://groups.dcn.org/dhsbandboosters>

**Treasurer Report** by Ron Mikalson

- Money coming in from polo shirt sales and fall fundraisers.

- Paid out \$3,000 in instrument repairs. This is an ongoing set of approved expenses. Particularly important for some of the more rare instruments. Lange Scholarship funds music lessons for students encouraged to take on the rarer instruments, French horn, oboe, tuba, etc.

### **Volunteers Needed**

Sign up genius has been sent requesting volunteers for key positions. These include:

- Rent-a-band. Small combos.
- Playathon in January
- Coconut Grove – in March (dinner with Jazz Band)
- Concert organizers / programs
- Newsletter
- Publicity: Newspaper, facebook, school announcements at DHS and Davinci

**Student / Family Registration:** Going home with students. Fill it out and return next week.

**Direct Donation Fundraiser:** This will be sent out soon. Request for direct donation to us. Different levels of support.

### **Disneyland Trip - May 13-17**

All bands will be involved. Leave Friday after last AP test. We'll probably use 2 busses. Chaperones will be needed. Staying at Embassy Suites with 5 kids / room and breakfast provided daily. Clinics and performances for entire band as well as smaller groups - jazz band and winds. May go to UCLA for Sat AM workshop; kids will be able to go on campus tour if they want. May have pep band exchange. Will have performances at Disneyland as well as recording in their studios. Examples shared with parents. 2 days to play at Disney. Party at end. Info sheets coming home soon. Will ask if child going and for \$ commitment. Overall cost for entire trip will be about \$75,000. Cost per student estimated to be about \$600 / student. All students go irrespective of ability to pay. Donations from those who can needed as well as active fundraising.

- Need trip coordinator in training to work with Katie.

### **Fundraising**

- Monday Night Football underway. Band booster winning occasionally!
- Coconut Grove makes about \$8-10,000 annually.
- Rent-a-Band made \$1,430 last year. Holidays only. \$200 / hour. Need a coordinator.

### **New Orleans Trip – sub-group**

Dates April 7-10, 2016

Cost to ship instruments roughly \$4,500; we have all the proper cases. Someone may drive.

Attending French Quarter Festival, and we're not official performers. Can watch professionals. Will play as entire group and smaller combos at off-site venues. Will go to French Quarter, Bourbon St (daytime only), Jazz Museum, Graveyard, Café du Monde. Out of city limits: Jolly Inn 45 mi away with local Cajun band. Swamp Tour to see big alligators. Trying to organize a workshop at U. New Orleans.

Total cost per child estimated at \$1,250

Band Boosters will help. Need some fund raising just for Jazz Band. Form with itinerary and specifics will go out in a few weeks.

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***General Meeting adjourned at 8:41***

***Jazz Band Trip Addendum Meeting called to order at 8:49 and Adjourned at 9:10 PM***

***Minutes compiled by Cheryl Walker, Secretary***

**Next Meeting: Band Boosters, November 4, 2015 @ 7:30 PM**