



CYPRESS FALLS BAND BOOSTERS

Booster Meeting Agenda

**September 5, 2023, 7:00 PM @ The Cypress Falls Band Hall
(Normally the First Tuesday of Each Month, 7:00pm, Band Hall)**

Melissa Tompkins motion to open this meeting.

Gabi 2nd the motion.

Cindy Hogue started the meeting at 7:07 pm.

Directors Comments: Ryan Mohney – ryan.mohney@cfisd.net

- Very pleased with the kids; when there are issues with attendance (today missing about 20 people); we do want students to make sure to complete the absence request. Attendance is a life skill.
- Overall – doing great outside; doing well at football games; if you watch performances you can see the students stepping up and owning their parts.
- Mr. Dutton is here with us this week (choreographer); putting together part 3, next week, part 4
- Saturday – Rock a Thon – Lockin – a lot of fun; play crazy games, fed food, open gym time. \$75 bucks to go; trying to get to 20K
- Saturday morning – we have to have a rehearsal
- Next week – composite pictures next Friday (during and after school)
- 8th grade game coming up
- Sept 30 – 1st competition – BOA Conroe
- Sept 27th – practice at a stadium – we only get 2 of these a year. We will go rehearse, practice and then come back here. Question about food – he will get back with the Boosters
- Parent question re: shorts; asked about shorts being the same. Both color guard and band are wearing the same shorts
- Parent question: shakos – all of your hair has to fit into the shako.
- Freaky Thursday – next Thursday the 14th where the parents switch places with your student and your student gets to teach the parent some of the band moves. Looking into a family social after Freaky Thursday.

➤ Melissa Marandola – melissa.marandola@cfisd.net

- Communication – try to post our projected schedules and will do the same about contests on the band website so you can see what the itinerary is; please know that all times after kick off are tentative. Please make sure to join Remind to get all of the up to date information.
- Our email shows us how many parents open the email; at this time, roughly 2/3 of the emails are being opened.
- IF you don't get the emails/remind/etc, please let the band directors know
- During 3rd quarter, parents can come get their student to sit with them near the band. The students are still on a field trip. Students should not be eating food in their band uniform.

➤ Lauren Hall – lauren.hall@cfisd.net

- Brandon Beck, Percussion Specialist, Assistant Band Director – brandon.beck@cfisd.net
- Are you getting emails from the directors? If not, contact Mr. Mohney or update Charms

2023 - 2024 School Year Board Members

- Board Members
 - President – Cindy Hogue - board@cypressfallsband.org
 - Vice President of Fundraising – Janet Cortes-Pena - fundraising@cypressfallsband.org
 - Vice President of Membership – Elizabeth Ruguleiski - membership@cypressfallsband.org
 - Treasurer – Tom Neihaus - treasurer@cypressfallsband.org
 - Secretary - Melanie Ceynar - secretary@cypressfallsband.org
 - Booster meeting minutes are posted on the band website
- Committee Chairs
 - Chaperones – Kerri Guitierrez – chaperone@cypressfallsband.org
 - Shadow – Gabby Torres
 - Merchandise – Jennifer Alford – merchandise@cypressfallsband.org
 - Cy Falls Flags – John Tompkins – cyfallsflags@gmail.com
 - Percussion – Kerri Guitierrez – percussion@cypressfallsband.org
 - Shadow Needed
 - Uniforms – Sharon Davis – uniforms@cypressfallsband.org
 - Shadow Needed
 - Equipment – Paul Hogue – equipment@cypressfallsband.org
 - Meals – Melissa Tompkins – 713-392-4592
 - Drinks/Refreshments – Maria Paniagua – 713-653-3379
 - Shadow Needed
 - Color Guard – Kelly Barker – 713-416-4339

Fee Schedule – Contact Cindy Hogue (president) or Tom Neihaus (treasurer) if you need to discuss a payment plan.

	<u>Payment Schedule</u>		
	Returning Members	New Members	<u>Due Date</u>
Payment #1	\$50.00	\$100.00	6/15/2023
Payment #2	\$200.00		7/15/2023
Payment #3	\$200.00		8/15/2023
Payment #4	\$135	\$200	9/15/2023

We are still navigating charms.

Payment 3 should have already come in. Payment 4 is due next week.

Upcoming Events: Visit cypressfallsband.org under parents/calendar to subscribe to the calendar.

- Sept. 7 (THURS) – Football Game vs Klein Cane – Pridgeon, 6:30pm (Volunteers Needed)
- Sept. 9 (SAT) – Full Band Rehearsal @ Cy Falls 9am-12pm
- Sept. 9 (SAT) – Rock A Thon – 6pm-6am (Volunteers Needed)
- Sept. 16 (SAT) – Return Flags – Box will be open 9am-12pm
- Sept. 14 (THURS) – Freaky Thursday! – Parents March Student’s Spots 6:30-7:30
- Sept. 15 (FRI) – Composite Photos
- Sept. 22 (FRI) - Football Game vs Cy Lakes 7pm – Berry – 8th Grade Game (Volunteers Needed)

- Sept. 25 (MON) – Teacher Work Day – No school
- Sept. 27 (WED) – Stadium Rehearsal @ Berry – 5:45-8:45 – (Volunteers Needed)
- Sept. 30 (SAT) – BOA North Houston – First Marching Competition (Volunteers Needed)
- Sept. 30 – (SAT) – Football Game vs. Langham Creek @ Pridgeon, 7:00pm (Volunteers Needed)
- OCT 3 (TUES) – Band Booster Meeting, 7pm, Band Hall
- OCT 4 (WED) – Willie’s Ice House Spirit Night

- **Treasurer’s Report: Tom Neihaus**
 - **Income - \$ 24,990.72**
 - **Expenses - \$ 42,287.88**
 - **Some things to pay for buses to the competitions**

Committee Reports:

Merchandise: Jennifer Alford (email: merchandise@cypressfallsband.org)

- See band website for spirit merchandise available to purchase
She is working on the parent personalized shirts and jackets; should be ready by the end of the week.

Fundraising: Janet Cortez-Pena (email: fundraising@cypressfallsband.org)

- FREE MONEY: The best way to help the band is to not miss out on FREE MONEY!
 - If you have a **KROGER CARD** use Kroger Rewards #82396. Check to make sure you are registered.
- Sponsorship
 - If your business or you know a business that would like to sponsor the band please contact Janet. See sponsorship levels in this packet or on the website.
- Upcoming Major Fundraisers:
 - Rock-a-Thon (Organized by Membership Committee) 9-9-23
 - **Widdy Up – they charge 5% to use the site;**
- Minor Fundraisers
 - Willie’s Icehouse Spirit Nights – Oct. 4th
- **World Famous Chocolate – work on it after Rock a Thon**

Cy Falls Flags: John Tompkins (email: cyfallsflags@gmail.com)

- Remind 101 sign up: Text @cyfallsfl to 81010
- Next Flag distribution: **Mark your calendar for Labor Day/Patriots Day (9/11) flags:**
 - Return: Sat 9/16 – Box will be open from 9am-12pm

To support the band and get a flag subscriptions scan here



Thanks for everyone's help Pick up is 9/16 – Drop off between 9:00 and Noon Parent – Thanks for lowering the amount of flags per route ☺

Membership: Elizabeth Ruguleiski (email: membership@cypressfallsband.org)

- August 9, Rock-A-Thon
 - Chaperones needed in 3 shifts (sign up on website) – **There are a few last slots; please help if you can.**

- Seniors – bring something salty
- Juniors – water
- Sophomores – sodas in cans
- Freshmen – sweets; snacks or fruit
- Drop off food at 5 or when you drop off your student.
- Donate prizes for raffle, we need 50 raffle baskets
 - If you have baskets or items for baskets, please email membership; or bring to game
- Continue reaching out for donations through Widdy Up – Great Job So Far!!!! Our goal is 20,000, we are currently at 15,600
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- Future Membership Events
 - 8th grade night, Sept, 22, 2023
 - Pink Out Game – October 14, 2023
 - Band Banquet, Friday, May 18, 2024

Equipment: Paul Hogue (email: equipment@cypressfallsband.org)

- Builds props, loads and unloads equipment and props for games and competitions
- Prop building is still in progress!!!!
 - Saturday mornings, 8am to around noon
- Join the Equipment Remind Group – Text @equip23 to 81010
- On Saturday 9/9, we will be painting the circle lime green among other things like gluing, painting, etc. 10:00 Start time

Color Guard: Kelly Barker – 713-416-4339

- If you would like to volunteer to help with the color guard text Kelly.

Percussion: Kerri Guitierrez (email: percussion@cypressfallsband.org)

- If you would like to volunteer to help with percussion contact Kerri.

Meals / Refreshments: Melissa Tompkins / Maria Paniagua

- Sign up on the website to help set up, serve and clean up after meals for game days and competitions.
- If you have a connection with a restaurant or food vendor that could donate or offer discounts to feed the band, please contact Melissa.713-392-4592
- Looking for donations of bottled water and canned soda/tea. Drop off at band booster closet at booster meetings, or any time band hall is open.
Please continue to donate sodas, water, Brisk Iced Tea
If you happen to work for a restaurant, or know someone who does and would be interested in donating food/meals, we can reachout to them. (Thursday meal is lasagna)

Uniforms: Sharon Davis (email: uniforms@cypressfallsband.org)

- Fitting, mending, cleaning all band uniforms
 - Composite pictures will be September 15, so be expecting many texts from that. This is also the best way to get a good picture of your child in uniform. (Unless you chaperone)
 - Washing will happen after September 30th game make sure you are on my email list if you'd like to help.
 - If you can volunteer to wash the uniforms, sign-up with Sharon. Uniforms are washed inside out on gentle using Woolite provided by the band. Dry on low. Hang and return.
 - If you ordered shoes (not freshmen) the payment will show up on Charms.
 - Remember Black socks!
 - Bring pompoms to help cheer for our kids.

- Wear uniforms for the first time this Thursday. Make sure they're wearing their own black shorts, long black socks and either the band shirt or show shirt
- Band shoes will come in tomorrow. Freshmen have that charge already part of their band fees. All other grades, if your student needs new shoes, a charge will be added to your student's charms account.
- We will wash after the 30th competitions/games.
- Colorguard – Ms. Hall will send out what to wear to the game.

Chaperone: Kerri Guitierrez (email: chaperone@cypressfallsband.org)

- Sign-up will be posted on the band website for volunteer opportunities for games, competitions, and other events.
 - www.cypressfallsband.org under the parents tab
- What do chaperones do at games?
 - Ride busses
 - Escort to restrooms
 - Monitor stairs
 - Fill water bottles
 - Move props
 - First Aid is needed at every game
- What is a Band Aid?
 - Can't leave work early? Meet us at the stadium.
 - Same duties as chaperones minus the bus ride
 - You must purchase a ticket to the game.



All chaperones must be an approved CFISD volunteer. To become a CFISD volunteer

- Go to CFISD.net
- Go to "Community involvement"
- Select "Volunteer"
- Create a "Volunteer Portal Account"

All volunteers who wish to chaperone must send a screen shot of your CFISD volunteer "My Profile" page to Kerri at chaperone@cypressfallsband.org.

Chat and Cheer – at our September 27th stadium practice; more information will be sent out
Volunteers needed for this Thursdays game

Information Resources to Stay in Contact with the Band:

- Website: www.cypressfallsband.org.
Band calendar, student forms, Band Boosters: Officers and Committee Chairs contact information, Cy Falls Flags order form, merchandise, chaperones and volunteers information, plus other resource information
- Remind 101 Text Alerts - Send a text to 81010 with message: @cfbb2023
- Twitter: @CFGEMB
- Facebook: Cypress Falls Band Boosters
- Charms: charmsoffice.com

Sponsorship: email: board@cypressfallsband.org or fundraising@cypressfallsband.org

- If you or someone you know is interested in supporting the band thru sponsorship donations please get in touch with a board member. Sponsorship opportunities can be monetary or in the

form of supplies, food or other items the band may need. Sponsorship information can be found on the band website under "Sponsors."

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Maria Paniagua- motion to adjourn the meeting.
Tom Neihaus - 2nd motion
Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm