



# CYPRESS FALLS BAND BOOSTERS

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## **Booster Meeting Agenda** **February 4, 2025, 7:00 PM @ The Cypress Falls Band Hall** **(Normally the First Tuesday of Each Month, 7:00pm, Band Hall)**

Meeting called to order by Ginger at 7:03 pm  
Tammy seconds the motion

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

- Jose Funes – jose.funes@cfisd.net
- Brandon Beck – [brandon.beck@cfisd.net](mailto:brandon.beck@cfisd.net)
- Lauren Hall – lauren.hall@cfisd.net

**Mr. Mohney's comments:**

- Not much more to add regarding the situation from last weekend at the indoor drumline competition. Show hosts have asked that clear bag policy is enforced at future competitions and recommend having 2 officers – We will request this for our upcoming contest at Cy-Falls. Doors will be locked with signs on doors to not be opened. TCGC will remove maps from contest page.
- Mr. Beck thanked the parents that were present with him and assisted tremendously.
- Mr. Parsons will be meeting with teachers to discuss safety protocols during these situations.
- Staff and Counselors met with kids on Monday – everyone deals with these situations differently and we will help students figure out how to process as needed.
- Special thanks to the parent volunteers that were with Mr. Beck last weekend and helped make sure all our students were safe.
- Solo & Ensemble is happening this coming weekend, February 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> at Cy-Lakes High School. Students should dress nice – church clothes/business attire. Parents can check with their child to determine if they can sit in to listen to their performance.
- Rehearsals and sectionals have begun and students should be attending both. These practices count as a grade.
- Flight of Eagles is scheduled for February 21<sup>st</sup> and it is a side by side concert with our feeder schools, Labay, Truitt and Spillane. Only top two bands at Falls will participate. We will serve pizza to the students so volunteers will be needed and it will be good to have booster presence at the event in case new incoming parents have questions.

- TCGC Contest will be March 8<sup>th</sup> – this year will be a color guard and drumline show so that means a longer day and we will need more volunteers. Family and alumni can sign up to volunteer. It is expected to be a good fundraiser for the entire band program.
- Winter Guard placed 1<sup>st</sup> at the competition last weekend and indoor drumline placed 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Marching band for next year is underway – currently having design meetings.

#### Ms. Hall's comments:

- Thanks to those of you that came to first blast. It was great to have so much support.
- No show this week but our next one is February 15<sup>th</sup> at Clear Falls and another on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at Pearland.
- CFISD Winter Guard Showcase is on Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Berry Center at 6 pm and it is a free event.

### 2024 - 2025 School Year Board Members

#### ➤ Board Members

- President – Cindy Hogue - board@cypressfallsband.org
- Vice President of Fundraising – Janet Cortes-Pena – janetcortes.pena@gmail.com
- Vice President of Membership – Jennifer Alford - merchandise@cypressfallsband.org
- Treasurer – Tom Neihaus - treasurer@cypressfallsband.org
- Secretary – Gaby Torres – gabypenatorres@gmail.com
  - Booster meeting minutes are posted on the band website

#### ➤ Committee Chairs

- Chaperones – Gaby Torres – [chaperone@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:chaperone@cypressfallsband.org)
  - Shadow/Assistant - Needed
- Merchandise – Jennifer Alford – [merchandise@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:merchandise@cypressfallsband.org)
- Cy Falls Flags – John Tompkins – [cyfallsflags@gmail.com](mailto:cyfallsflags@gmail.com)
  - Shadow – Don Crosby
- Percussion – Kerri Guitierrez – [percussion@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:percussion@cypressfallsband.org)
  - Shadow Needed
- Uniforms – Kerri Guitierrez – [uniforms@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:uniforms@cypressfallsband.org)
  - **Shadow/Assistant Needed**
- Equipment – Paul Hogue – [equipment@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:equipment@cypressfallsband.org)
- Meals/Drinks – Melissa Tompkins – 713-392-4592
- Color Guard – Kelly Barker – 713-416-4339

#### Cindy's comments:

- Spring Trip will have 34 students; 4 chaperones and 3 directors – Mr. Mohny, Mr. Funes and Ms. Hall.
- 4 parents have purchased the parent package.
- Boosters will cover the cost for empty bus seats.
- TCGC will be 3 shifts and the sign ups are posted.
- Also doing a stock the pantry donation sign up and you can drop off donations to the band hall. We like to set up concessions the night before.
- If you volunteer for 2 shifts you get 1 meal ticket, and if you volunteer all day you get 2 meal tickets.



- We will serve pizza the night of Flight of Eagles and we'll need some help to feed everyone.
- We will sell merchandise at Flight of Eagles as well and Jennifer could use some help.
- Sign up for Flag distribution is posted. Please sign up to take a route or two!

**Fee Schedule – All Marching Band Fees should be either on payment plan or fully paid by now.** Contact Cindy Hogue (president) or Tom Neihaus (treasurer) if you need to discuss a payment plan. Pay online through Cut Time, or by cash or check made out to CFBB. Returning members - \$525, Rookies - \$650

**SPRING TRIP to San Antonio – April 11, 2025 – April 13, 2025 – Sign Up has closed.** Roommate selection will come next. Please be current on your payments so to not risk losing your spot. Payments are made through TMF. Must be paid in full by March 11<sup>th</sup>.

**TCGC Contest (SAT, MARCH 8<sup>th</sup>) – 3 Shifts for volunteers. Sign up for 1 or all 3. If working 2 shifts you will receive a meal ticket to use at the concession stand. If you are working all 3 shifts you will receive 2 meal tickets to use at the concession stand as a thank you. We are also stocking the Cypress Falls Band Pantry for the concession stand. Please sign up here.**



### Upcoming Events:

- FEB 7,8, (FRI & SAT) – Solo and Ensemble @ Cy Lakes
  - FEB 14 (FRI) – Professional Day – No School
  - FEB 15 (SAT) – Distribute Flags 9am-11am
  - FEB 15 (SAT) – Winter Guard Contest
  - FEB 17 (MON) – President’s Day – No School
  - FEB 21 (FRI) – Flight of Eagles
  - FEB 22 (SAT) – Return Flags 12-2pm
  - FEB 22 (SAT) – Winter Guard Contest
  - FEB 24 (MON) – Incoming Color Guard Camp 5:30-7:30
  - MARCH 1, (SAT) – WGI Houston Percussion Regional
  - MARCH 3, (MON) – CFISD Color Guard Showcase
  - MARCH 4, (TUE) – Band Booster Meeting, 7pm in Band Hall
  - MARCH 8, (SAT) – TCGC Show Hosting – Volunteer Opportunities All Day
  - MARCH 10 – 14 – Spring Break
- **Treasurer’s Report: Tom Neihaus**

**Brought in \$13,893.36; Spent \$7,659.45**

## Committee Reports:

**Merchandise:** Jennifer Alford (email: [merchandise@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:merchandise@cypressfallsband.org))

- See band website for spirit merchandise available to purchase

**Fundraising:** Janet Cortez-Pena (email: [fundraising@cypressfallsband.org](mailto: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.
- Major Fundraisers:
  - Rock-a-Thon (Organized by Membership Committee) **Over Night Lock In usually in Sept.**
  - Cy Falls Flags - **5 times a year**
  - Hosting Indoor Competitions- TCGC – **March 8, 2025 (Volunteers Needed)**
  - Festival at the Falls – **In May**
  - World's Finest Chocolate
  - Widdy Up – **Raised Close to \$20,000!!!**
  - Mattress Fundraiser – **March 22, 2025 (Volunteers Needed)**
- Minor Fundraisers
  - Spirit Nights

## Janet's comments:

- **Mattress Fundraiser is scheduled on March 22<sup>nd</sup> at Cy-Falls in the commons.**
- **Will also be selling linens and bed frames and pillows.**
- **There will be a parent meeting via Zoom on February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. For every parent that attends the virtual meeting, Cy-Falls will receive \$5.**
- **You can share the meeting link with family and friends if you want so we can have more people in attendance and get more money.**
- **We will get yard signs and posters and we will ask parents to place in their yard.**
- **We will need volunteers to greet and guide customers the day of the fundraiser.**

**Cy Falls Flags:** John Tompkins (email: [cyfallsflags@gmail.com](mailto:cyfallsflags@gmail.com))

Shadow – Don Crosby

- Remind 101 sign up: Text @cyfallsfl to 81010
- Flag distribution: **Next Flag Distribution will be for President's Day Distribute Feb. 15. From 9am-11am – Collect & Return Flags Feb. 22 from 12-2pm**
- **It's time to renew your flag subscription. \$50 for a 1 year subscription. Please tell your neighbors. Let's cover our entire attendance zone with a show of patriotism.**



**Membership:** Jennifer Alford (email: [membership@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:membership@cypressfallsband.org))

- Rock-A-Thon
- Pink Out Game
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Game

- Senior Night
- Future Membership Events
  - Band Banquet – May 16<sup>th</sup> @ the Cy Hope Alamo

### Jennifer's comments:

- Band Banquet is schedule on May 16<sup>th</sup> – we now need to get with band officers to pick a theme.

### Equipment: Paul Hogue (email: [equipment@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:equipment@cypressfallsband.org))

- Builds props, loads and unloads equipment and props for games and competitions
- Prop building
- Text Paul at 713-303-5054 if you have any questions
- Join Remind Group text @equip24 to 81010
- **Looking for an Equipment Crew Leader for 2025-2026 school year!**

Equipment – Paul needs a new equipment person to lead next year because he will not be here.

### Color Guard: Kelly Barker – 713-416-4339

- If you would like to volunteer to help with the color guard text Kelly.
  - **We need another chaperone at Winter Guard Competitions. Please help out Kelly.**

Color Guard – Kelly would like another parent to help with Winter Guard competitions since she usually chaperones alone and needs to leave to pick up lunch/dinner.

### Percussion: Kerri Guitierrez (email: [percussion@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:percussion@cypressfallsband.org))

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

### Meals / Refreshments: Melissa Tompkins

- 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
- **Thank you to all those that help feed our hungry crew!**

### Uniforms: Kerri Guitierrez (email: [uniforms@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:uniforms@cypressfallsband.org))

- Fitting, mending, cleaning all band uniforms
  - Uniforms are washed every 2-3 wearings.
  - If you can volunteer to wash the uniforms, sign-up on the website. Uniforms are washed inside out on gentle using Woolite provided by the band. Dry on low. Hang and return.
  - **We will start to size the concert uniforms next Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday from 4-8pm. Please let Kerri know if you can help. We also need someone who is willing to hem pants and dresses. The students need these concert uniforms by Pre UIL.**

Uniforms – Kerri will need help next week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 4 – 8 pm to help measure kids in their concert attire. Please let Kerri know if you are able to come help. First time to wear concert attire is March 18<sup>th</sup>.

### Chaperone: Gaby Torres (email: [chaperone@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:chaperone@cypressfallsband.org))



**Thank you to all those that have ridden a bus, handed out band aids, taken students to the restroom, filled water jugs, etc. You are noticed and appreciated.**

- Sign-up will be posted on the band website for volunteer opportunities for games, competitions, and other events.
  - [www.cypressfallsband.org](http://www.cypressfallsband.org) under the parents tab

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 Gaby at [chaperone@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:chaperone@cypressfallsband.org).*

### Gaby's Comments:

- Thank you to all of you who help and donate.
- Please sign up to volunteer for TCGC!

### Information Resources to Stay in Contact with the Band:

- Website: [www.cypressfallsband.org](http://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: @fallsbandp
- Instagram: cypressfallsband
- Facebook: Cypress Falls Band Boosters

**Sponsorship:** email: [board@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:board@cypressfallsband.org) or [fundraising@cypressfallsband.org](mailto: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."

Thank You to Our Sponsors  
Please Support Those That Support Us



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Motion to end meeting by Tammy at 7:51 pm  
Motion was seconded by Mike Bruner