

CYPRESS FALLS BAND BOOSTERS

Booster Meeting Agenda April 1, 2025, 7:00 PM @ The Cypress Falls Band Hall (Normally the First Tuesday of Each Month, 7:00pm, Band Hall)

Motion to Open meeting by Kerri Motion seconded by Jennifer Meeting began at 7:06 pm

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

- Jose Funes jose.funes@cfisd.net
- > Brandon Beck <u>brandon.beck@cfisd.net</u>
- Lauren Hall lauren.hall@cfisd.net

Director's Comments - Ryan Mohney

- Kids are all doing really well
- Winter Guard had a great state performance; Indoor Drumline will have their performance this Saturday.
- 3rd Band had UIL performance yesterday and received 2s for sightreading and on stage. Pleased with kids performances.
- 2nd Band will have their UIL performance tomorrow.
- Top band will perform at the end of this month on either April 29th or April 30th. Should have schedule in the next couple days.
- Friday is eligibility check should not hurt anyone should help.
- Spring Trip is next Friday and Saturday very short Zoom meeting next Monday at 7 pm for parents of kids attending the spring trip.
- Month of May will be easy for senior students. Will have a Spring Concert on May 8th and Festival at the Falls on May 3rd.
- All dates are posted on band calendar on the website.
- Band Banquet is scheduled for May 16th which is a Friday.

2024 - 2025 School Year Board Members

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

Cindy's Comments:

- VIPS appreciation luncheon is scheduled on April 30th. If you volunteered and logged in at least one hour you are invited to attend and should attend. Deadline to sign up is April 14th.
- Spring Trip is next weekend and we will have two chaperones Janet and Cindy.
- TCGC contest was great concessions sold out of everything! Thank you to all those that volunteered!
- Upcoming events are listed on the agenda.

Treasurer's Report:

TCGC in cash we brought in almost \$11,000 and almost another \$19,000 on paypal.

- Brought in \$38,462.48
- Spend \$21,128.84
 - Committee Chairs
 - o Chaperones Gaby Torres chaperone@cypressfallsband.org
 - o Shadow/Assistant Needed
 - o Merchandise Jennifer Alford merchandise@cypressfallsband.org
 - O Cy Falls Flags John Tompkins cyfallsflags@gmail.com
 - o Shadow Don Crosby
 - o Percussion Kerri Guitierrez <u>percussion@cypressfallsband.org</u> (OPEN)
 - o Shadow Needed
 - o Uniforms Kerri Guitierrez <u>uniforms@cypressfallsband.org</u> (OPEN)
 - Shadow/Assistant Needed
 - o Equipment Paul Hogue equipment@cypressfallsband.org
 - o Meals/Drinks Melissa Tompkins 713-392-4592 **(OPEN)**
 - o Color Guard Kelly Barker 713-416-4339

No comments from Merchandise.

Janet's comments:

- Thank you to those parents that helped the day of Mattress Fundraiser.
- Students had about \$2,000 in referral sales; total was \$3,025 and donation of \$1,000
- This fundraiser was not truly what we expected and we really needed a little more parent involvement. Hoping next year will be better.

Flags

• John not able to attend meeting but Don is here. Next date for flags will be in May.

Jennifer's comments:

- Band Banquet is on May 16th and the theme is Masquerade.
- Amazon wish list information will be sent out soon.
- The times are yet to be determined and there will be a timeline for parents that want to attend the awards portion of the banquet.

Equipment

• Celso will be the new chair for next year.

Color Guard - Kelly

• Placed 3rd at area and advanced to state then place 5th at state last weekend. It was a good season for Winter Guard.

Percussion

• Advanced to State and that will take place this coming weekend.

Meals and Refreshments

• We need a person or group of people that will take over meals and refreshments for next year. Let Board know if you are interested.

Uniforms

• We need a person or group of people that will take over uniforms for next year. Let Board know if you are interested.

Chaperone - Gaby

- Nothing for now.
- Gaby will continue to serve as chairperson for chaperone committee.
- Shadow(s) welcome!

Nominations for Board Positions:

- President Jennifer Alford
- VP Fundraising Janet Cortes Pena
- VP Membership Ryan Heath
- Treasurer Tom Neihaus
- Secretary Gaby Torres

All were voted in and will begin next month.

Motion to adjourn meeting – Kerry Motion seconded by Tammy S. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm

VIPS Appreciation Event – Wednesday April 30th at the Berry Center from 11:30 to 1:00pm. You must have logged at least one hour to be invited. It's a nice lunch and special entertainment from Cy Fair students to honor our volunteers. Invitations have been emailed. RSVP by April 14th.

SPRING TRIP to San Antonio – April 11, 2025 – April 13, 2025 – Sign Up has closed. We are looking forward to the trip. Chaperones are Cindy Hogue and Janet Pena.

TCGC Contest (SAT, MARCH 8th) - Big SHOUT OUT to all those that volunteered. It was a huge success!

Upcoming Events:

- APRIL 5 (FRI) TCGC State (Percussion) Sam Houston State University
- APRIL 11-13, (FRI-SUN) Spring Trip to San Antonio
- APRIL 14 (MON) Incoming Color Guard Camp
- APRIL 18 (FRI) Good Friday No school
- APRIL 21 (MON) Teacher Workday No school
- APRIL 29 30 (TUES WED) Letter Jacket Fittings
- APRIL 29 30 (TUES WED) UIL 6A Varsity Band Contest VPAC
- MAY 3 (SAT) Festival at the Falls

- MAY 6 (TUES) Band Booster Meeting 7pm in Band Hall
- MAY 16 (FRI) Band Banquet
- Treasurer's Report: Tom Neihaus

Committee Reports:

Merchandise: <u>Jennifer Alford</u> (email: merchandise@cypressfallsband.org)

• See band website for spirit merchandise available to purchase

Fundraising: <u>Janet Cortez-Pena</u> (email: fundraising@cypressfallsband.org)

- FREE MONEY: The best way to help the band is to not miss out on FREE MONEY!
 - o If you have a **KROGER CARD** use Kroger Rewards #82396. Check to make sure you are registered.
- Sponsorship
 - o 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:
 - o Rock-a-Thon (Organized by Membership Committee) **Over Night Lock In usually in Sept.**
 - o Cy Falls Flags 5 times a year
 - o Hosting Indoor Competitions- TCGC Huge Success. Thank you!
 - o Festival at the Falls In May
 - o World's Finest Chocolate
 - o Widdy Up Raised Close to \$20,000!!!
 - Mattress Fundraiser Thank you to all those that volunteered!
- Minor Fundraisers
 - o Spirit Nights

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

Shadow - Don Crosby - Thank you Don for volunteering to be the Flag Leader 25-26

- Remind 101 sign up: Text @cyfallsfl to 81010
- Flag distribution: Next Flag Distribution will be for Memorial Day
- 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)

- Rock-A-Thon
- Pink Out Game
- 8th Grade Game
- Senior Night
- Future Membership Events
 - Band Banquet May 16th @ the Cy Hope Alamo

Equipment: Paul Hogue (email: equipment@cypressfallsband.org) EQUIPMENT SPOT OPEN 2025-2026

- 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
- Thank you to Celso Hernandez for volunteering to be Equipment Crew Leader 25-26

Color Guard: Kelly Barker – 713-416-4339

- If you would like to volunteer to help with the color guard text Kelly.
 - o Great job Color Guard on an awesome season!

Percussion: Kerri Guitierrez (email: percussion@cypressfallsband.org) PERCUSSION OPEN 2025-2026

- If you would like to volunteer to help with percussion contact Kerri.
- Looking for a Percussion helper for 2025-2026 school year!
- Congrats for making it to State. Good luck Saturday!

Meals / Refreshments: Melissa Tompkins MEALS & REFRESHEMENTS SPOT IS OPEN 2025-2026

- 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 the most popular volunteer (the one that feeds them) for 2025-2026 school year!

Uniforms: Kerri Guitierrez (email: uniforms@cypressfallsband.org) UNIFORMS SPOT OPEN 2025-2026

- Looking for a volunteer or group of volunteers to manage uniforms for 2025-2026 school year!
- Fitting, mending, cleaning all band uniforms
 - Big Shout Out to all those that hemmed, fitted and washed uniforms for concert season. You are appreciated.

Chaperone: Gaby Torres (email: <u>chaperone@cypressfallsband.org</u>)

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.
 - o <u>www.cypressfallsband.org</u> 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.

Information Resources to Stay in Contact with the Band:

- Website: <u>www.cypressfallsband.org</u>.
 - 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 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."

We are excited to announce a new initiative to welcome and support new parents in our band family:

- o This program pairs experienced parents (BIGS) with new parents (LITTLES) to help them navigate the band program, answer questions and feel part of our amazing community.
- Whether it's understanding competition schedules, preparing for band camp or getting involved with fundraisers, this program ensures everyone has someone to lean on.
- We're looking for volunteer BIGS! If you are a veteran parent who's willing to share your experience, your knowledge would be valuable.
- O Don't worry this is a light commitment! You'll simply be a friendly resource for your LITTLE throughout the season.
- A sign up sheet will be making the rounds if you are interested.

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