



## CYPRESS FALLS BAND BOOSTERS

### Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, December 2, 2025 – 7:00 PM Cypress Falls Band Hall

*(Booster meetings are typically held the first Tuesday of each month)*

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Meeting called to Order Roxanne Mendez at 7:02  
Meredith Gugel seconded the motion

#### 🎵 Director Comments

##### Band Directors:

- Ryan Mohney – ryan.mohney@cfisd.net
- Brandon Beck – brandon.beck@cfisd.net
- Jose Funes – jose.funes@cfisd.net
- Lauren Hall – lauren.hall@cfisd.net

If you are not receiving director emails, please contact Mr. Mohney.

##### Mohney's comments

- Football season is over! Yay!
- Thanks for all the help during the season and getting students everywhere we need to go.
- December is a little crazy and it will go by fast.
- In the Spring concert bands, indoor drumline, winterguard - in January you will only start getting emails from the director of the band your child is in.
- winds and percussion - etude auditions - trumpet, flute, clarinet went today
- scale scores are on the monitor - 12 scales
- etude is part of audition; scales are part of audition and sight reading is part of audition
- they will get reseated for concert bands in the springs - kids can have schedule changes if they move up or down in the concert bands
- announcements will be made near holiday concert
- region band Friday Saturday and Monday
- Tuesday, the 9th - Ms Santarelli is retiring from Labay - we are trying to invite as many people as can attend the concert at Labay at 7 pm
- holiday concert - community event - Santa will be there taking pictures
- dinner is at 5:30 pm come and go - performances happen between 6 and 8 pm
- in prep for concert - the second band 4th period had a rehearsal - 3rd and 4th bands have rehearsals after school so they can work with percussion as well
- exams are a little different - adjustment for exam week is with absences and exemptions
- you still have to show up even during exam week
- only if you already have 2 absences will you be ok to miss the day of final exam

Winterguard has a new remind group - and that information is on the agenda

Holiday concert pre order meal cost is \$12 and it will cost \$15 at the door

We need donations - the more we get donated the better and we don't have to spend the money from our funds

our next booster meeting may be hybrid or entirely virtual - for the January meeting

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## 📁 2025–2026 Band Booster Board Members

- **President:** Jennifer Alford – board@cypressfallsband.org
- **VP Fundraising:** Janet Cortes-Pena – janetcortes.pena@gmail.com
- **VP Membership:** Ryan Heath – ryan.h138@gmail.com
- **Treasurer:** Tom Niehaus – treasurer@cypressfallsband.org
- **Secretary:** Gaby Torres – gabypenatorres@gmail.com

Meeting minutes are posted on the band website: [www.cypressfallsband.org](http://www.cypressfallsband.org)

### Treasurer's report

- brought in \$4,790.47
- spent \$14,454.80 - almost \$6000 of that is just feeding people
- we got \$2,300 from UIL Region at Berry Center

Tom needs shadows for next year!

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## 👥 Committee Chairs

- **Chaperones – Gaby Torres (Shadow-Kathy Jergens & Gaby Patino)**  
chaperone@cypressfallsband.org • 713-419-4810
- **Color Guard – Kelly Barker (Shadow-Phyllis Bereson & Tiffanie Howard)**  
kbarker710@gmail.com • 713-416-4339
- **Percussion – Jennifer Alford (Shadow-Ryan Heath)**  
jdalford@gmail.com • 832-524-4201
- **Meals – Jennifer & Mike Bruner (Shadow)**  
mrs.jenniferbruner@gmail.com • 936-371-9593
- **Merchandise – Ginger Garcia**  
merchandise@cypressfallsband.org
- **Flags – Don Crosby**  
cyfallsflags@gmail.com • 281-467-1219
- **Equipment – Celso Hernandez (Shadow)**  
equipment@cypressfallsband.org • 832-752-4694
- **Uniforms – Shaye Jones**  
schnadajones@gmail.com • 832-839-1664

***Several committees need shadows. Please reach out if interested!***

### Ginger - Merchandise

There are some show shirts that are available to buy for \$15 - Luna shirts  
Any interest in band sweatpants or zip up jackets?

### Don Crosby - Flags

Flags are done for the year!

We are trying to incentivize students to take flags - working on tickets and maybe raffle system

### Janet – VP Fundraising

Next fundraiser will be the Mattress Fundraiser on sunday February 1st

Ryan Heath – VP Membership  
Banquet is scheduled for May 9th at Cy-Hope  
Tickets will be \$40

### Spring Trip

trying to find a quick spring trip

April 24-25

When students get field tripped from school there has to be a performance included

we will try to keep things relatively low on cost - maybe leave Friday after school and come back late Saturday or Sunday

We have a travel agent that will work on some numbers for possible trips

### Celso - Equipment

Need a replacement/shadow

Thanks to all those that helped move equipment and props

### Kelly - Color Guard

starting Winterguard - look for emails from Ms Hall

Have two shadows Tiffanie Howard and Phyllis Bereson

### Jennifer - Percussion

We will fit uniforms on Thursday for Indoor percussion at 5 pm

Ryan Heath will take over as percussion parent

### Jennifer and Mike – Meals and Refreshments

We fed 20 times about 4000 meals!

Need a shadow for next year.

Simple – Most everything happens before the game.

### Uniforms

Washing one last time after the Holiday Concert. Then we can put away until next season. Will work on concert uniforms soon.

### Gaby – Chaperones

Thanks to all who helped – we truly appreciate you all!

We have two shadows for Chaperone chairperson next year – Kathy Jurgens and Gaby Patino.

Thank you!


### Stay Connected – Remind Groups

- **Winds:** Text @cfgembw25 to 81010
- **Percussion:** Text @2025cfperc to 81010
- **Color Guard:** Text @25fallcg to 81010
- **Indoor Drumline:** Text @cfidl26 to 81010
- **Winter Guard:** Text @2026cfwg to 81010
- **Parents:** Text @fallsbandp to 81010

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### Upcoming Events

- Dec 4 (Thur): Holiday Concert Pre-Sale ends at midnight
  - Dec 5, 6, 8 (Fri, Sat, Mon): Region Band Auditions
  - Dec 11 (Thur): Holiday Concert 5:30-8:00pm (Volunteers & Food, Drink Donations Needed)
  - Dec 12, 13 (Fri, Sat): Region Band Clinic and Concert
  - Dec 19-Jan 5 Holiday Break – No School
  - Jan 6 (Tue): Booster Meeting 7pm (Hybrid)
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 Treasurer's Report – Tom Niehaus [treasurer@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:treasurer@cypressfallsband.org)

Need 1 or 2 Shadows for 2026-2027 school year, if interested please contact Tom.

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## Committee Updates

**Merchandise – Ginger Garcia [merchandise@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:merchandise@cypressfallsband.org)**

- Website has been updated with stock. Limited purchases can be made on certain items.
- Visit [www.cypressfallsband.org](http://www.cypressfallsband.org) to view the store

**Cy Falls Flags – Don Crosby [cyfallsflags@gmail.com](mailto:cyfallsflags@gmail.com) 281-467-1219**

Next flag distribution Presidents Day, Feb 16th

- Remind: Text @cyfallsfl to 81010
- \$50/year subscription
- Help us cover the community in flags!

**Fundraising – Janet Cortes-Pena [janetcortes.pena@gmail.com](mailto:janetcortes.pena@gmail.com)**

Our next major fundraiser will be the Mattress Fundraiser. This will be on Sunday February 1st.

- **Kroger Rewards: FREE MONEY!** If you have a KROGER CARD, link it to #82396 at [www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards](http://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards)
- **Sponsorships:** Monetary or in-kind; see board or visit [www.cypressfallsband.org](http://www.cypressfallsband.org)
- **Major Fundraisers:**
  - Vertical Raise, [vraise.org](http://vraise.org), share the link with family, friends, co-workers, etc.
  - Rock-a-Thon (Organized by Membership Committee) September 5th
  - Flag Program, 5 times a year
  - Backpack Drive
  - Hosting Indoor TCGC Competition
  - Festival at the Falls
  - Mattress Fundraiser
- **Minor Fundraisers:** Spirit Nights

**Membership – Ryan Heath [ryan.h138@gmail.com](mailto:ryan.h138@gmail.com) 832-528-4638**

- **Upcoming Events:**
  - Band Banquet (May 9th) CyHope The Alamo
- Parent Mentorship Program (Big/Little)
- **Rock-A-Thon:** Completed
- **Pink Out Game:** Completed
- **8th Grade Night:** Completed

**Equipment – Celso Hernandez [equipment@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:equipment@cypressfallsband.org) 832-752-4694**

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Need a Shadow for Equipment, if interested please contact Celso.

- Build props, load and unload equipment and props for games and competitions.

### **Color Guard – Kelly Barker kbarker710@gmail.com 713-416-4339**

Shadows: Tiffanie Howard and Phyllis Bereson

- Contact Kelly to support our talented team!

### **Percussion – Jennifer Alford jdalford@gmail.com 832-524-4201 (Ryan Heath, Shadow)**

- If you have any questions or would like to volunteer with Percussion, contact Jennifer.

### **Meals – Jennifer & Mike Bruner mrs.jenniferbruner@gmail.com 936-371-9593**

Thank you to everyone who helped feed the band this season. We served about 4,000 meals! Need a Shadow to help with drinks for 2026-2027, if interested please contact Jennifer or Mike.

- Sign up to help with meals on game days & competitions
- Donations needed: sodas, water, chips, cookies
- Looking for food sponsors
- Drop off donations during band hall hours or at meetings

### **Uniforms – Shaye Jones schnadajones@gmail.com 832-839-1664**

Preparing for transition from Marching to Concert Season. Thanks to everyone that has volunteered to help in any capacity with uniforms this Season! We need help with washing the marching uniforms, if you can help, please see Shaye after the meeting. Need black sock donations. Please contact Shaye if you have any questions.

- Pick-up Uniforms to wash Dec 2nd and return Monday, December 8th between 5-6pm
- Help with fittings, washing, mending
- Uniforms washed every 2–3 wears (gentle, inside-out, Woolite provided)

### **Chaperones – Gaby Torres chaperone@cypressfallsband.org 713-419-4810**

Thank you to all who have volunteered throughout the marching season. We appreciate you! Thanks to our two new Chaperone Shadows, Kathy Jurgens and Gaby Patino, who will be co-chair chaperones.

- Sign-ups will be posted on the band website for volunteer opportunities for games, competitions and other events.
- Wear Cy Falls shirts when volunteering
- All chaperones must be an approved CFISD volunteer.

#### **To register as a CFISD volunteer:**

1. Visit: [www.cfisd.net](http://www.cfisd.net)
2. Click "Community Involvement" → "Volunteer"
3. Create a Volunteer Portal Account
4. Send screenshot of your "My Profile" to [chaperone@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:chaperone@cypressfallsband.org)

#### **Chaperone Duties:**

##### **What do Chaperones do?**

- Ride Buses
- Escort to restrooms
- Monitor stairs
- Fill water bottles
- Move props
- First Aid is needed at every game and contest

## What is a Band Aid?

If you can't leave work early but want to chaperone, become a Band Aid.

**Band Aids:** Same duties as chaperones (except no riding the bus). Must purchase a ticket to the game.

**If you are planning to Chaperone, please take a few minutes to read the Chaperone Guidelines so you know what to expect.**

To access the Chaperone Guidelines online, visit [www.cypressfallsband.org](http://www.cypressfallsband.org), click on "Parents," then "Our Band Boosters," and scroll down to "Chaperone Guidelines."

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## Bylaws Amendments

- Amendment #1 – President eligibility & term limits
- Amendment #2 – Volunteer & chaperone expectations

**Bylaw Amendments presented and unanimously approved by all boosters present.**

### **AMENDMENT #1 – President Eligibility & Term Limits**

#### **Current Bylaw:**

“The bylaws currently state that the President serves a one-year term and may be re-elected. No additional requirements, vetting, or limits are defined.”

#### **Proposed Changes:**

- Must be an active member in good standing for at least one full school year
- Must be approved by the Executive Board before being placed on the ballot
- Leadership standards may be considered during vetting
- Individuals with substantial past noncompliance may be deemed ineligible
- Serves a one-year term, with one additional consecutive term allowed
- **Anyone who has previously served as President is permanently ineligible to serve again**

#### **Motion to Read:**

“I move that the Cypress Falls Band Boosters amend Section II, Article IV – Elections and Duties of Elected Officers, to update eligibility requirements, establish a Board vetting process, set permanent presidential term limits, and restrict any prior President from serving again, as outlined in the proposed amendment.”

#### **Discussion Prompt:**

“Is there any discussion on Amendment Number One?”

### **AMENDMENT #2 – Volunteer & Chaperone Expectations**

#### **Current Bylaw:**

“The bylaws list basic chaperone responsibilities but do not define volunteer expectations or reflect CFISD authority over volunteer eligibility.”

#### **Proposed Changes:**

- Volunteers must conduct themselves responsibly, respectfully, and professionally
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- Must follow all Band Director instructions, CFISD policies, and safety procedures
- Only the Band Director or their CFISD designee may approve or restrict volunteers
- Booster Board may document concerns but cannot remove volunteers
- Chaperone Committee description updated to reflect coordination and communication role

**Motion to Read:**

“I move that the Cypress Falls Band Boosters amend Section II, Article V – Committees to add a ‘Volunteer and Chaperone Expectations’ section that clarifies expectations for volunteer conduct and aligns volunteer eligibility decisions with CFISD policy, granting sole authority to the Band Director or their designee.”

**Discussion Prompt:**

“Is there any discussion on Amendment Number Two?”

Motion to adjourn meeting by Mike Bruner at 7:34 pm  
Tammy Sandel seconded the motion

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**👥 Sponsorship Opportunities**

**Contact: [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 through a sponsorship, please reach out to a board member. Sponsorships can be monetary or provided in the form of supplies, food, or other items the band may need. More info: [www.cypressfallsband.org](http://www.cypressfallsband.org) under the "Sponsors" tab

