



## CYPRESS FALLS BAND BOOSTERS

### Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, January 6, 2025 – 7:00 PM Cypress Falls Band Hall & Online

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

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#### 🎵 Director Comments

##### Band Directors:

- Ryan Mohnney – ryan.mohnney@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. Mohnney.

#### Booster Meeting January 6, 2026 - Hybrid Meeting

Meeting called to order by Ryan Heath at 7:02 pm  
Tom Niehaus seconded the meeting

Mohnney explains the Mattress Fundraiser  
Chris discusses the Mattress Fundraiser

Fundraiser is not a traditional fundraiser - it is something people want and need; people that will be customers will already be customers - we just need to advertise and find the customers

Great value for the customer

We need parents to make it a big deal in the community; friends family neighbors co-workers

Don't hesitate to ask people about their mattresses - usually someone you know will be looking to buy a bed.

We need everyone to participate and help - the more people that advertise the more money the fundraiser will bring in for the program.

We need people to walk in the door - most traffic that comes through will be referrals

Referral flyer has all the information for the sale - QR code - coupon and bonus information

Students can earn bonuses - make sure their name is given when customers come in to shop

February 1 - we will come in with about 40 mattresses - they will handle all set up - cash, credit card - payment plans too

Mattresses will direct ship - usually arrive in a couple of weeks

The company handles all the logistics, customer service and delivery, too.

Parents and students just need to work on spreading the word about the fundraiser.

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The company has raised more money in 2025 than previous years - they work with more than 100 schools a year.

Mattresses have warranties - if there's an issue they will help get it taken care of.

No online sales - but they can connect with Chris and he can maybe direct them to a sale going on near them.

General turn around is 3 - 4 weeks - most accessories are 5-7 days

## Mohney's comments

Welcome back! Happy New Year 2026

January is a little slower; it helps us ease into things for the Spring semester.

All bands, indoor and winterguard have different schedules so communication will come from each director separately

We will start concert band sectionals next week for after school

Winds and percussion need to figure out their schedules and determine what day they want instrument sectionals.

They should number measures and put names on each page of music

Solo & Ensemble - next week we start sectionals  
the week after they will sign up for a 15 minute practice with a director  
then they start practicing with the accompanist  
no performances until about March

Beck needs some help constructing some backdrops for Indoor Drumline

Winter Guard is doing benches and the help needed will be painting and/or staining

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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)

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Tom - Treasurer's Report  
Brought In - \$19,900.53  
Paid out \$23,984.41

Christmas concert brought in \$3,761.15  
Texas Roadhouse spirit night brought in \$326  
Kroger \$148 over 4 months

Ginger  
Contacted company regarding Winter items but she has not heard back yet

Don - Flags  
Renewals have started and so far we have about 150 people that have renewed  
Flags go out for President's Day

Needs a shadow

Janet - Fundraising

Mattress Fundraiser  
Need Volunteers  
Will send more information

Ryan - Membership  
Band Banquet is on May 9  
\$40 ticket sales

Celso - Equipment

Needs a Shadow for next school year.

Kelly - winter guard

Ms. Hall needs snack donations - chips crackers granola bars - for competitions  
17 members and 8 floor crew  
will need some prop construction  
also working on headbands - waiting on final details

Jennifer - Percussion

Also need some snacks for indoor season  
Once uniforms come in we need some volunteers to help with labeling  
First contest is February 7 - we will need volunteers and we will let you know

Meals/Drinks  
No updates but we do want a helper and/or shadow

Uniforms  
no updates - huge thank yous to those that helped get uniforms washed before Christmas break.

Chaperones -  
will need volunteers for mattress fundraisers  
will post sign up about a week before the date

Motion to adjourn 7:37 pm by Ryan Heath  
Tom Niehaus seconded the motion

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### Committee Chairs

- **Chaperones – Gaby Torres (Shadow-Kathy Jurgens & Gaby Patino)**  
chaperone@cypressfallsband.org • 713-419-4810
- **Color Guard – Kelly Barker (Shadow-Tiffanie Howard and Phyllis Bereson)**  
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!*


### 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
- **Parents:** Text @fallsbandp to 81010

### Upcoming Events

- Jan 10 (Sat): Area Audition
- Jan 19 (Mon): No School, Student Holiday
- Feb 1 (Sun): Mattress Fundraiser
- Feb 3 (Tue): Band Booster Meeting
- Feb 6-7 (Fri-Sat): Solo & Ensemble @ Cypress Lakes HS
- Feb 7 (Sat): TCGC – Winter Guard @ Morton Ranch
- Feb 7 (Sat): TCGC – Indoor Drumline @ Pasadena Memorial HS
- Feb 10 (Tue): Winter Blast! – Winter Guard & Indoor Drumline Performance
- Feb 13, 16 (Fri, Mon): No School, Student Holiday

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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

Flag renewal emails have been sent out for 2026. 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

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](mailto:kbarker710@gmail.com) 713-416-4339

Shadows: Tiffanie Howard and Phyllis Bereson

- Contact Kelly to support our talented team!

Request for the Winter Guard Season:

- **Snack Donations:** Requesting individual, grab-and-go snacks (chips, crackers, granola bars) for contest days. Please label donations Winter Guard and drop off in the booster room during band hall hours.
- **Contest Travel & Floor Crew:** 17 Guard members and 8 floor crew members will travel to contests this season to assist with prop movement on and off the floor and throughout contest venues.

- **Prop Construction:** Prop construction is underway, including benches and backdrops. Volunteer assistance may be needed on a future date to help stain wooden benches. Details will be communicated via email.
- **Headbands:** Assistance is requested to help assemble elastic headbands for students. Students will wear hair down, secured with an elastic headband. Reference photos will be shared.

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

- If you have any questions or would like to volunteer with Percussion, contact Jennifer.
  - **Season Preparation:** The Indoor Drumline season is fast approaching.
  - **Snack & Drink Donations:** Individual snack and drink donations will be needed for contest days. Additional details will be shared soon.
  - **Uniform Labeling:** Volunteer assistance will be needed to help label uniforms once they arrive. More information to follow.
  - **First Contest:** The first contest is scheduled for February 7th.

**Meals** – Jennifer & Mike Bruner [mrs.jenniferbruner@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:schnadajones@gmail.com) 832-839-1664

Volunteers will be needed to assist with student measurements for concert season. A schedule will be shared once dates are finalized. Need black sock donations. Please contact Shaye if you have any questions.

- Help with fittings, washing, mending
- Uniforms washed every 2–3 wears (gentle, inside-out, Woolite provided)

**Chaperones** – Gaby Torres [chaperone@cyressfallsband.org](mailto:chaperone@cyressfallsband.org) 713-419-4810

Volunteers are needed for mattress fundraiser. I will post a sign up once we get closer to the date.

- 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@cyressfallsband.org](mailto:chaperone@cyressfallsband.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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### 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.

