Monday, August 24, 2015 6:46 PM

Agenda for General Booster Meeting on 8/24

Welcome/Introductions
- Thanks everyone for camp
- Pros and cons are being collected from parents, others
- Carol Beggs thanked Sherri and Wendy for pulling together a great camp experience for the kids, with very little notice!

Items for Immediate Attention
- ***Pep Band for Groves vs. Seaholm game — transportation details and call time***

Dress will be full uniform. Dress in the band room before departure. Don't forget black socks and marching shoes. If your student is unsure of their uniform needs/location, please have them arrive a little early so the Ninjas can assist them. Uniforms must all be returned at 8/31 rehearsal.
- Voluntary but encouraged for students. Minimum one person per section - all are welcome.
- Call time is 5pm at Groves; No Bus - self arranged carpools to get to Seaholm
- Wear show shirt or black or green t-shirt

- ***Bonfire following September 3rd Game at the LIttlefields' House*** – Invitation with all information is included on the back of this agenda

Treasurer's Report
- Kim reviewed full report
- Donations to band can be given to BEF, designate toward Groves Band when giving, BEF gives directly back to us with interest when we spend (it is tax deductible). Not to be used for individual student accounts.
- Student accounts can be used for any band expenses. Account balances available from treasurer Kim Fischer.
- No large trip this year.

Booster Meeting Dates for 2015-16

August 24	January 11
September 21	February 8
October 12	March 14
November 9	April 18
December 14	May 16

- Latest schedule and contact information is on grovesband.com website

Sign-up Genius for overall band activities
Please take a look at the 2015-16 Sign-Up Genius to assist with band activities throughout the year.
http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4ea9ae23a13-20152016

New Uniforms
Our goal is to order uniforms in Spring 2016 for delivery by Fall 2016
Visit our Uniforms tab on GrovesBand.com to make a donation to the uniform fund or to read the FAQs
Various Fundraisers (below) will be supporting this effort
- Current uniforms are 23 years old. Life expectancy is 15 years. One full uniform is approximately $500.
- District is committing $15000 for uniforms.
- Currently applying for grant from BEF.
- Will need to buy approximately 120 uniforms, plus consider growth from very large bands coming up from middle school.
- Information gathering is work in process.

Fundraisers (see attached tentative schedule)
Uniform Fundraisers:
- Red Wings Game - Save the date – Nov. 8th
  - Flyer to order tickets coming soon
  - Wings sell us $48 face-value tickets for $27, we are selling for $40
  - Invite everyone! Tentatively have 200 tickets reserved

- Sunday 3pm game; arrive 1:15, play 1:30-2:30.
- Future Falcon Tees - sold through feeder elementary schools, coming in early October
- Detroit Tees - asking band members to sell tees & hoodies, coming in early October
- Fitness class fundraiser - date TBD

- Daily Method in Birmingham - class package
- Euchre party - date TBD

- hosted by Littlefields

Individual Fundraisers:
- On-going Scrip Program

- handout for signup passed out by AnneMarie Piotrowicz
- orders placed first of each month; cards distributed in band booster meetings
- checks made out to Groves Band Boosters
- great for holidays, many shopping/retailers available

- Pasta Sales - coming in late October

- online sales only; 40% return

Marching Band Invitational
Save the Date - Saturday, September 26, 5pm
- Volunteer Sign Ups and Donations needed
- Sign up today, look for Sign-up Genius link in an email soon

- Largest general band operational fundraiser of the year
- Opportunity for us and other local bands to be ajudicated
- Requests for donations will be coming
- All friends and family are welcome; email will be sent out suitable for forwarding

Next Booster meeting date: September 21st, 7pm

Additional Discussion:
- Silent Auction coming in February; ideas and help welcome
- Strong desire for some away trip and/or summer camp, even for a few days - helps with bonding for band members
- Parents encouraged to attend games and see performances