



*The **Pride** and the **Traditions** continue...*

Hightower High School Band Booster Organization General Meeting

www.canenationband.com

July 28, 2020

Establish Quorum, Call to Order: 7:00

Secretary's Report: Printed copies of meeting minutes are available during meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning Balance as of July 28, 2020:

Income:

Expenses: quicken, insurance, expecting bill for juguzzis

Ending Balance as of July 28, 2020 [about 24,000](#)

Amegy Band Balance as of July 28, 2020:

Treasurer will review addendums to the 2020-2021 Budget as a result of district mandates.

New fees will now be \$85 to get us started.

President's Report:

- **Fee addendum letter was email out to parents and a copy has been posted to the band & guard website (<http://www.canenationband.com/info.html#/> Fee Addendum Letter) - \$75 new member fee remains & \$85 all member initial fee (not all inclusive) = Due \$160 (new members) and \$85 (returning members)**
- **Questions Are Fees now due August 17, 2020?**
http://www.canenationband.com/store/p11/Partial_Adjusted_Band_Fee_2020-2021_%28Not_all_inclusive%29.html#/ (Click Link to pay band fees)
- **2020-2021 Band Member paper work methods of return**
 - **Print and Upload to Charms due to signatures required**
 - **Print and Mail to Booster Club P.O. Box**
 - **Can parents request a copy be mailed to them – [Amie Cavender will print and mail these out.](#)**
 - **Adobe editable forms**

- **Parents may purchase merchandise on the website and either arrange a socially distant exchange option or pay for items to be mailed**
http://www.canenationband.com/store/c7/Optional_Spirit_Items.html#/ (band store to purchase gear)
 - **This includes a water jug if you are in need for virtual band camp (\$15)**
- **Other questions, business, and items to handle**

Review of Purchases from Budgeted Line Items/Prior

- **We have purchased juguzzi's for the band uniform items and will distribute those to paid members once face to face sessions resume.**

Fundraising

- **Any socially distant ideas?**
- **What about doing a pizza fundraiser through Papa Murphys again? Yes**

Voting Items:

- **Senior Night (previously voted in the money in acceptance of 2020-20201 budget)-re-allocated to purchase yard signs, sashes (like last year), and an individually packaged pastry**
<https://forms.gle/sfQffBjYZGgXfyHx6> (what should the sign say?)
- **2020-2021 Budget reallocated into phases based on FBISD district guidance No concerns were brought up.**

Other Officer Reports:

- **Band On going fundraising- Nikki Henderson**
[\(http://www.canenationband.com/fundraising.html#/](http://www.canenationband.com/fundraising.html#/) click the words "ongoing fundraisers to see instructions)
 Amazon Smile – percentage of purchase goes to band.
 Community Give back on Kroger Cards – Card can be connected to Band. They will give percentage to band of all purchases.

Committee Reports:

- **Request that Mrs. R. Lane present options for applying to corporate donation sites @ August 25th meeting**
- **Request that Mrs. L. Lagunas write or fill out a request with the IRS to gain a recent copy of our tax-exempt status if the treasury department doesn't already have a copy. (Reach out to myself and Nikki for help with this.)**

Principal & Directors Report:

- **Virtual Band Camp & Updates, Concerns, Requests**
-Start Summer band Thursday. 2-3 hours a day. Playing, marching, team building. Week before school starts will do evening stuff. Will let you know the schedule next week

Instrument pickup – Saturday 8-10 and 4-6. **Sign-up on Sign-up Genius Smart Music Accounts** – not for percussion or guard yet. We will assign music. **Grade their recordings. Be sure to join, if you have not.**
All Region Music in Schoology. Private Lesson Teachers recordings to help with learning and practicing the music.

Marching Band – District will not compete in marching contests.

We will do a show for football games, but not UIL contest. Bands will not attend out of district games. Decisions will be made on a week by week basis.

Physicals – email coming out tomorrow. Will be done differently this year.

New Principal – don't know who it will be.

Old Business:

- **Discount Cards Remain on sale \$22.60 on line and can be mailed to you for discounts on instruments without extra mailing cost.**
http://www.canenationband.com/store/p12/Discount_Card.html#/ (Discount card Purchases)
- **Visit www.canenationband.com for updates and information/ all board meeting minutes are posted there currently <http://www.canenationband.com/booster-club.html#/>**

New Business:

- **Questions**

Adjournment 7:31



Criminal History Application Link / Forward Approval Email to canenationband@gmail.com

20-21 Approved Budget 20-21 Covid Adjusted Budget 20-21 Ammended Budget for August 2020

Income

Opening Balance				
Membership Dues	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 10,200.00	
Fundraising-Fall	\$ 2,500.00			
Fundraising-Spring	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
Business Sponsorship	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	
Merchandise Sales	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
Refunds				
Travel Sponsor				
TOTAL	\$ 7,300.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00	

Expense

Band Member Expenses				
Mandatory				
Accessories	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Band Meals	\$ 15,600.00			
Practice Shirt and Shorts				
CG Practice Shirt and Shorts				
UIL Shirt	\$ 1,080.00			
Pink Out Shirt				
Water Jugs				
Under Armour Shirt	\$ 960.00			
Juguzzi	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	
Winter Guard Expenses				
Winter Guard Expenses	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	
Color Guard Expenses				
8th Grade Welcoming	\$ 630.00	\$ 630.00		
Uniform repair and cleaning	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00		
Band Picnic	\$ 300.00			
Director Items/Equipment	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 200.00	
Drum Major Camp	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00		
EOY Banquet	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00		
General Admin	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
CPA/Tax Assistance				
Misc. Events/Concerts/Parades	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00		
Clinician Services and Guest Speaker	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00		
Prizes/Awards/Gifts	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 400.00	
Senior Night	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	
Jazz Contest : Fees and bussing	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00		
UIL Competition Costs	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 600.00	
UIL Props	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00		
Travel Student	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 5,000.00		
Fundraiser Expense				
Equipment	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 300.00	
Merchandise Purchase (COGS)	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00		
Website	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	
Freshman Camp				
TOTAL	\$ 50,970.00	\$ 27,530.00	\$ 8,000.00	



Hightower High School Band & Color Guard

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Welcome again to a new year of the Hightower High School Band & Color Guard. We look forward to working with all our veteran students and parents again and bid a very sincere welcome to all our new members. We have just completed a very busy and interesting year due to COVID-19 and we are sure you all are anxious to know what is in the works for the 2020-2021 school year. Remember there has been a great deal of discussion regarding Marching Band participation this fall. While many options have been considered as a board in partnership with our directors, we have decided to reconfigure fees for the upcoming school year. This reconfiguration allows for a reduction in the need for refunds, allows us to be flexible with any changes issued by the school district administration, and to respond to the needs of our students. Please understand that this fee is not all inclusive. We will need to add fees based on our ability to participate in our normal events. The total fee amount collected will not exceed the band fee amount (\$375) initially communicated. Additional fee amounts will be communicated and collected as we are able to return to school face to face and other activities are allowed. To ensure we are prepared for the eventuality of returning to school and band activities the new band member starter fee (\$75) will remain in place as those items are specially ordered, tailored to each student, and are not something we can quickly gather for students should they be needed for any band purposes. If you have paid in-full our treasury department will reach out to you as more information about the remainder of the school year is known. Continue to stay updated by checking our website above for any changes or important dates and by reviewing any band, school, or district correspondence.

HHS Band and Color Guard Starter Fee Break Down

New Member Band Fee (for new members only 1-time payment) **\$75**

(Includes: Marching Shoes, Green Uniform Dri-Fit Shirt, Black Mesh Shorts, & Water Jug)

2020-2021 Initial Fee (for returning & new members) **\$85**

(Includes: Administration for Band, Music, juguzzi, & some fair share costs)

**Does not include: meals & snacks & beverages, competition fees, transportation, program design & support, uniform items, & student benefits. These fees may be added as needed when we return to face to face instruction and activities. **

We hope that this letter will serve as an addendum to our band packet and that you will continue to let the packet and our website serve as a guide for any information you may need. We remain committed to the excellence of Hightower High School Band & Guard.

Better Together,

Band & Color Guard Directors c/o Hightower High School Band Booster Club

We are now registered with Amazon Smile as a 501C to accept donations. If you are an Amazon shopper, please consider setting up your Amazon Smile account to Hightower High School Band Booster.

What is Amazon Smile?

AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. AmazonSmile is available at smile.amazon.com on your web browser and can be activated in the Amazon Shopping app for iOS and Android phones. When you shop at AmazonSmile, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added benefit that AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. You can choose from over one million organizations to support.

How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to smile.amazon.com on your web browser or activate AmazonSmile on your Amazon Shopping app on your iOS or Android phone (found under settings on your app). On your browser, you may also want to add a bookmark to smile.amazon.com to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile. When you're using the app, always check for the "AmazonSmile" logo to ensure you're activated for AmazonSmile.

You can also link AmazonSmile to your Amazon App on your phone!

How to turn on AmazonSmile in the mobile app

1

Join AmazonSmile

If you are not already an AmazonSmile member, [sign up](#) on your web browser. Simply select your favorite charity to start generating donations, at no cost to you.

2

Get the app

Download or update to the latest version of the Amazon Shopping app on your phone. You can find it in the [App Store](#) for iOS or [Google Play](#) for Android.

3

Turn on AmazonSmile

Open the app and find 'Settings' in the main menu (☰). Tap on 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to turn on AmazonSmile on your phone.

TIP: "Settings" is at the bottom of your selections when you are in your main menu.



How do I select a charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?

On your first visit to smile.amazon.com, you need to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. We will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make through AmazonSmile will result in a donation. AmazonSmile will occasionally contact you about donation amounts disbursed to your chosen charity or about the program.

Remember that for the charity to receive the donation, you must go through smile.amazon.com and not your normal Amazon.com browser or you must link AmazonSmile to your Amazon app.

Are you a regular shopper at Kroger? Did you know you could link your Kroger card to the Band Booster for Community rewards?

Create a digital account

A digital account is needed to participate in Kroger Community Rewards. If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward the organization you choose.

Link your card to an organization

Selecting the organization that you wish to support is as simple as updating the Kroger Community Rewards selection on your digital account.

1. Sign in to your digital account.
2. Search for your organization (Hightower High School Band Booster)
3. Enter the name or NPO number of the organization you wish to support (SA896)
4. Select the appropriate organization from the list and click "Save"

Your selected organization will also display in the Kroger Community Rewards section of your account. If you need to review or revisit your organization, you can always do so under your Account details.

Your organization earns

Any transactions moving forward using the Shopper's Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program, at no added cost to you. Kroger donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Kroger Community Rewards organizations.