

SENECA VALLEY BAND BOOSTERS  
GENERAL MEETING  
October 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:06p.m. by Jon Singer. There were 88 people in attendance including Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Babick, Mr. Matchett and Mrs. Snyder. Jon welcomed everyone to our monthly Booster meeting and thanked them for coming.

Check our website at [www.svband.net](http://www.svband.net) for all news and calendar information. Please like our facebook page to stay in touch and make sure to read all newsletters!

The Band Boosters are a very supportive group of this excellent band program. The key to our success is for many of us to get involved. You will be rewarded with new friendships, getting to know a great group of kids, parents and the directors and staff.

### **DIRECTOR REPORTS**

#### **Mr. Matchett**

Mr. Matchett reported that, as a staff, they are working diligently on the band trip. Disney has changed some things so the directors are working to make sure the Magic Kingdom Parade is scheduled along with the schedule of the other ensembles performing. The details of the itinerary are still morphing.

#### **Upcoming Schedule**

Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup> report time is 4:15pm. Buses will be pulling out at 5pm. The game will start at 7pm at the Highmark Stadium in Pittsburgh. The stadium parking isn't conducive to the number of buses we take and because of the hectic loading of the buses and departure, please, if at all possible, do not pick up your child from the game.

Honors Band auditions will be held on Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. Students will sign up for a time for their audition. Registration forms will be handed out next week.

#### **Mr. Babick**

Mr. Babick extended thanks and appreciation to all the volunteers for Eighth Grade band night, stating that it was a successful night. He has received many positive responses from the participants.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **UNIFORMS - Cheryl Ferraro/Linda O'Connor**

Please consider using Metro Cleaners for dry-cleaning of the uniforms. Cost is \$8.25 and no coupon is needed. They provided the cleaning this summer for all the uniforms at no cost. Please remember to have your bander check that their raincoat is packed along with black socks. Black socks are required for instrumentalists as well as color guard.

Linda O'Connor reported that varsity band jackets should be in on Friday.

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**CONCESSIONS**

Erin Scott requested that any interested volunteers email her to fill spots still open in the concession stand for the October 24<sup>th</sup> game, senior night. Just a reminder that the boosters appreciates your business at the big brick concession stand. Thanks to all who have volunteered this season.

**ENJOY BOOKS - Neal Jackson**

Neal announced the high sellers for the Enjoy Book fundraiser as follows: first place, selling 32 books, Dean Smith and second place, selling 18 books, Mira Hoo. Congratulations to the winners and good job.

**BAND TRIP**

Linda O'Connor reminded all that the first payment was due on October 8<sup>th</sup>, along with the Trip Commitment letter. All students should submit a trip commitment form, whether you are going or not.

**DINING FOR DOLLARS**

Pam Villegas, on behalf of George Villegas, thanked everyone that participated in the recent Dining for Dollar events. She also reminded the group that the Wash-n-Win fundraiser money and unsold coupons are due Friday, October 16, 2015.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER – Roberta Love**

Roberta reported that she has 61 volunteers signed up to work the pasta dinner but she could still use more, especially student volunteers. There is a link on the band booster website to access VolunteerSpot to sign up. Students can earn volunteer credit for groups such as National Honor Society and Tri-M. Dessert items are needed, preferably finger type desserts like cookies and brownies. RSVP cards were due last Friday but students can still turn them in this week. Walk-ins are welcome the day of the event. As of this today there are 253 reservations.

Mr. Armstrong announced that he launched a new website dedicated to the Booster organization information. The link is on svband website. It is a Google site that booster officers and chairs can access to edit. He will provide a brief orientation on how to use it immediately after tonight's meeting. In addition, he added a link on the band calendar to submit events to be added to the calendar, Mr. Armstrong will make the additions to the calendar after receiving the information.

**SENIOR NIGHT – Diane Campbell**

Diane announced that the flowers have been ordered for the students and parents and everything is set for Senior Night. Parents are to arrive by 6:15pm and chaperones are needed to help pin flowers on both students and parents. Sherri Contino has agreed to shadow Diane this year. Seniors should turn in information form to Athletics if they haven't done so already.

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**PASTRIES BY ANDREA – Erin Scott**

Erin announced that the December Pastries by Andrea fundraiser is an individual account fundraiser. There will be cash and carry sold at the winter instrumental concert (general fund monies). Samples may be present at the next booster meeting. Erin also reported that the spring pastries fundraiser may also be for individual accounts since the by-laws have changed to allow carry over in the student account.

**MATTRESS FUNDRAISER - Karen Johanknecht**

Scott McKenzie from Custom Fundraising Solutions was introduced and explained the upcoming Mattress sale fundraiser. Mr. McKenzie handed out flyers with the information, ads to distribute and signs to post in yards. He provided information on the mattresses being sold: Restonic, Sutherland and Simmons. His goal was that the organization sell 100 mattresses, in the past three sales for the band 36, 39 and 38 were sold.

The students can earn \$50 for each twin size sold, \$60 for full/queen and \$75 for each King size sold. Scott is also finalizing additional incentives based on a point system for a pizza party/limo ride for group of students with most points (for putting up a sign in yard, working a shift, having a customer come to the event, sales of beds, pillows and protectors). Students need to put their name on each flyer to receive credit when that customer comes to sale and/or purchases. **The sale takes place at Rowan elementary on Saturday, November 21, 2015.**

There are layaway payment plans as well as delivery options: \$49 for front door, \$75 to place in the home or pick up at the warehouse, located off of the Mars Evans City Road. Old mattresses cannot be removed by the delivery personnel.

Karen Johanknecht announced that volunteers can sign up to work the sale by emailing her. She will need students to dress in mattress costumes and promote the event that day as well as adult volunteers to supervise. Students can receive volunteer credit hours. Karen is currently looking for a shadow to take over for next year.

**WAYS AND MEANS – Peter Grewar**

Peter reported that the final Aramark training is scheduled for Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at Heinz Field. The next parking pass deadline is October 23<sup>rd</sup>. He received a notice today from Aramark that they typically run short on volunteers for the December 6 and 20<sup>th</sup> dates, please consider working one of them.

Leanne asked that with the weather changing, she will send out an email asking whether you want an Aramark shirt or jacket and what size you would want, please respond in a timely manner so she can forward our order to the Aramark personnel.

**Peter motioned to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded by Erin Scott, meeting adjourned at 8:20p.m.**

**Next Meeting is November 10, 2015 in the SHS Band Room**