

Meeting in person was not possible due to COVID-19 restrictions.

These minutes are based on an update email from Mr. Howell and email voting from the current Oak Grove Band Booster Board since meeting in person is not an option at this time.

STAFF REPORT:

- A. Mr. Howell – Via an email to current Band Booster Board on May 26, 2020
Good Afternoon All!

I hope you all are well and staying safe.

Just wanted to give you an update on some things concerning our band and booster group.

From the band's standpoint, we are continuing to operate remotely and are trying to plan for whatever this fall will look like. We are in the middle of setting the drumline and are also building the color guard. I am trying to collect last minute contracts from stragglers and will hopefully have a complete roster soon. From my preliminary info, looks like we will be just a bit smaller than last season but, given the fact that we lost our first class of seniors and I have not been able to meet face to face with the rising freshmen, that is not unexpected. In speaking with some other directors around the county, we're all in the same boat.

I have ordered no music or "show" yet since we are still trying to see what kids will be there and exactly what the season will look like. I have registered the band for one competition at the end of the season and will do more as we get a better idea of when and if we will be able to practice. Best case scenario is that we start back as normal and have a regular season, building on last year's success. Worst case, we may function as a pep band IF they have normal football games. Just remember, we are all in the same boat.

From a booster standpoint..

- Brooke Hamby will be taking over for Teresa Duggins as Fundraising Chair. First, thanks so much to Teresa for her dedication and hard work in raising much needed funds for our kids. I have had the pleasure of working with Teresa and teaching her children for many years and she will definitely be missed at OG. (She's always welcomed by the way and I told her that she'll be one of our best customers when we do future fundraisers! 😊) Thanks so much to Brooke as well for her willingness to take the reins and give us lots of opportunities to make money for the program!

- Scott Zipp will be turning over the books to a new treasurer as of June 30, the end of our fiscal year. Scott, I cannot tell you how much we appreciate all that you have done to organize and administer our finances! We are still "on the hunt" for a new treasurer and if anyone knows a willing candidate, please tell me or Alex so we can fill that position. I would not want to go into a new fiscal year without someone to manage our finances. If no one is found by June 30, we will have to ask Tonya to take over until a new treasurer is found (assuming she does not want to do it permanently, in which case an assistant would need to be found.)

- Thanks so much also to Nate Reeser for taking the lead of the booster group and making it happen for the last two years! Nate has always had the best interest of the kids and program in mind and has worked hard to better our band and the booster organization as well. Nate's resignation will be effective as of June 1. Nate will be missed on the board but we certainly hope to see the Reesers at our meetings and events!

GOOD NEWS!!! Alex and I have talked to D Martin and she has agreed to assume the leadership role of President (with some assistance from her husband, Scott) as of June 1! The Martins will have two children in our band, Cadyn and Kensen, and have already been active as boosters over the past years. I know that we will be in great shape moving forward!

All three of these positions (aka, the two that are filled) will need to be voted on by the board. Since the terms would have ended post April and no candidates chose to accept before all this COVID-19 mess, they can be filled by a simple vote from the current board.

I would ask Nate as outgoing president to please send an email to the board, as soon as possible, asking for a yes vote to approve Brooke Hamby as Fundraising Chair and D Martin as President. Both to become effective as of June 1.

Thanks again to EVERYONE that has helped to make our band better this past year. Hopefully we will get back on track very soon!

Mike

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Resignations – Nate Reeser turned in his resignation as Band Booster President effective June 1, 2020.
- B. Voting of new Officers
 - a. Nate sent out an email to current board members on May 26, 2020 to vote on new officers – D. Martin as President and Brooke Hamby as Fundraising Coordinator. Both were voted in unanimously and their positions will take effect on June 1, 2020.
 - b. Nate sent out an additional email to current board members on May 28, 2020 to vote on Tonya Cecil taking over the position of Treasurer. The board voted and unanimously approved Tonya for the position of Treasurer and her position will take effect on July 1, 2020.

Next Band Boosters Meeting TBD.