



Lowndes High School Georgia Bridgemen Band Booster Meeting April 27, 2015

I. Welcome from Booster President Matt Hart at 6:30 PM.

The April meeting began in the band room with a welcome from Matt Hart. He thanked all for coming and accommodating the change in location.

- Meeting began with proposal to approve March 2015 booster meeting minutes. Motion made by Kevin Ruane and second motion by Robert McGeehan. Motion carried.
- Mr. Hart noted the secretary position filled by Rachel Strom at the March meeting will now be filled again by Mica Brooks as Rachel is unable to serve. According to the Bridgemen by-laws, the position can be appointed. Rachel was thanked for her years of service to the band.

II. Director's Comments: Jon Bowman

Mr. Bowman shared three current activities will take place in May. They include the golf tournament, spring concert, and Washington D.C. trip.

- Hole sponsors and golfers are needed for the Birdies for the Bridgemen golf tournament on Thursday, May 14 at Kinderlou Golf Course. Please see the Bridgemen website or take brochures for more information. Lunch will begin at 11:30 and the game begins at 1:00. This is a big fundraiser for the band and we are looking forward to a great golfing day.
- The spring concert scheduled for May 15 will feature the music students will play in Washington D.C. Please note: the meal and concert have been moved to the cafeteria to avoid problems with the weather and make it easier for families to eat prior to the concert. Dinner starts at 6:00 PM, and the concert is following at 6:30 PM. The concert is free. Tickets for the barbecue meal must be purchased prior to the concert, and they are \$10 per person.
- Please note the first payment of band fees is due May 15. A treasurer will be available to accept payments that day. Band fees MUST be paid for students to have a place on the field this year.

III. President's Comments: Matt Hart

- Matt Hart thanked Mrs. Sharon O’Neal for her new role as the chairperson for the football program this year. This program is a huge undertaking and is a great way for students to earn money for their marching band accounts. Students can sell business ads as well as patron ads. Handouts are available on the table for and are on the website as well. Sponsorship ads are also on the same timeline; please see the website for more information. June 26 is the absolute deadline for all ads.

IV. Vice-President’s Comments: Brian Spray

- The Bridgemen are considering creating a cookbook as a fundraising opportunity. Please submit your quick meal, main dish, tailgating, appetizer, and dessert recipes to bridgemenrecipes@gmail.com.
- The band needs 6-8 parent volunteers to sell water at the LHS graduation starting at 7:00 AM. Please contact a band officer if you are able to help.

V. Final Comments: President Matt Hart

- Mr. Hart reminded parents of key events on the Bridgemen calendar, particularly those events related to the upcoming trip. Students have after-school rehearsals for the Washington D.C. trip. He also noted senior night is on September 18 this year, so it is much earlier in the regular football calendar.
- All medical forms have been checked for the trip, but parents must bring all medicine to the Thursday, May 21st meeting. The May 21 parent meeting is mandatory; additionally, parents going on the Washington trip as chaperones must stay afterward to review trip details.

MAY

- Mon 4-5 Drum Major Clinic
- Wed 6 Drum Major Tryouts
- Thur 7-9 Drumline Auditions, 4:00-5:30
- Thur 14 Birdies for the Bridgemen Golf Tournament (Kinderlou)
- Fri 15 Band Concert-Cafe'
- Thur 21 DC/NYC Trip Parents Meeting (Medicine)
- Thur 21 DC/NYC Chaperone Meeting
- Sun 24-30 DC/NYC Trip

JUNE

- Mon 22 Booster Meeting
- Fri 26 Football Program Ad Deadline
- No committee chairs had comments. Mr. Hart thanked all those who will be serving on the 2015-2016 committees for their willingness to help with the band. Committee chairs are listed on the website.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Next band booster meeting: Monday, July 14 @ 6:30.

(Correction: Next band booster meeting is actually Monday, June 22, 2015.)