

# *James River High School Band Boosters*

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## Band Booster Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2015 7:06 pm

Those in attendance: Jerry Espigh, Anne Trotta, Michele Gilbert, Suzanne Miladin, Lisa O'Keefe, LaWanda Woods, Julie Larro, Michelle Hendel, Tammy Rucker, Jon McFall, Barbara Espigh, Amy Jo Fischer, Steve Fischer, Damien Dames, Faith Trent, Dwight Trent, Neil Newsom, Mathew Markee, Stephen LaHaye, Justin Turpin.

1. Presidents Welcome: Jerry Espigh welcomed all band parents and mentioned this meeting would focus on the next two big events coming up- Tag Day and All County Band.
2. Minutes from August 11, 2015: Minutes were reviewed. Steve Fischer motioned to approve the minutes, Michelle Hendel seconded the motion.
3. Fundraising: Anne Trotta
  - A. Band Booster Fundraising-:
    - Tag Day: Tag Day is this Saturday, September 12, 8:30 to 4:30. All the friends and family letters have gone out and there is a good return so far. Drivers should provide water and snacks for the students. Rain is likely on Saturday, ponchos will be provided. Still need 6 drivers for the afternoon.
4. Support Services: Steve Fischer
  - a. Competitions: Steve Fisher spoke about transportation to the competitions. Whether to take the large trailer to the JMU competition is in question since we are already spending extra money on the coach buses for that event.
  - b. All County Band: James River is hosting this year, October 5, 6:30-9 p.m. All families will be needed to put this event on. Sign-up Genius will be available.
5. Treasurer's Report: Dwight Trent reported that the fiscal year starts in July. Tag Day coming up and is critical as our major source of revenue.
6. Correspondence: Mary Berghuis absent, no report.
7. Committee Chairperson Reports
  - a. Band Camp- Lisa O'Keefe reported that Band Camp is now finished and was very successful.
  - b. Marching Band Attire- Damien Dames said that cleaning pants are the responsibility of each student and they will be told when to take home and wash them. Each student also needs to remember to wear white socks and white shorts under their uniform.
  - c. Pit Crew- John McFall said the pit crew needs to arrive by 6:15 on game nights. Each pit crew member needs to buy a pit crew shirt for \$20 but they, and all other game night volunteers, will receive a drink and some food!

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- d. Concessions- Lisa O’Keefe and Neil Newsome reported that concessions for the first home game were very successful! They still need a few more parents for this Friday night.
  - e. Concert Band Attire- No report.
  - f. Chaperones- LaWanda Woods said that chaperones need to sign-up by Thursday night so she can get the name tags made in time.
  - g. Hospitality- Julie Larro is now the Hospitality chair! The Band Camp banquet turned out very well and the students really enjoyed the decorations.
  - h. Spirit Wear- Amy Jo Fischer reported that new spirit wear items are coming; magnets, car decals, and new sweatshirts.
8. Band Director’s Report: Justin Turpin
- Spring Band Trip to Florida- The cost is \$850. The trip will be April 6-11 and orchestra and band will be going. The first day will be a trip to Daytona Beach. Still waiting for final approval.
  - All County Band Night- Ten Chesterfield bands will be performing. Our concessions will be available along with other vendors like Brewsters. We will be selling event t-shirts for \$10. Steve and Amy Jo Fischer will arrange for the shirts and come up with a design. A meeting just for All County is scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, September 14.
  - Tucker High show times have just come out. James River goes on at 4:20 p.m. and the students are to report to James River at 11:15 a.m. and depart for the show at 2:45 p.m.
  - The JMU show and the VBDOA assessment will require coach buses for a total of \$6,000-\$7,000.
  - Buddy Night has been rescheduled from 9-25 to 10-23 which is also Senior night.
  - James River now has an official alma mater song. The marching band and the James River choir will perform it before the game this Friday.
  - There are extra 2015 show shirts for sale- \$15 each.
9. Old Business: None
10. New Business: None
11. Next Meeting: Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Board 6:00 pm, Band Boosters 7:00 pm.
12. Call to Adjourn:
- Damien Dames motioned to adjourn at 7:50 p.m., Steve Fischer seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Miladin, Recording Secretary