

Stockbridge High School Band

Parent Meeting

August 4, 2015

- **Meeting started at 6:45 p.m.**
 - **Staff passed out Parent Profile and Medical forms.**
 - **Mr. Dowell gave an introduction of the staff.**
 - **A copy of the Booster Bylaws was passed out to the parents.**
 - **Mr. Dowell went over the overall view for the band and stated that the quality and the size has tripled since last year.**
 - **Informed parents about the scrimmage game scheduled for Friday, August 14, 2015.**
 - **Mr. Dowell asked that the Concession stand committee be formed this evening for the first game. All questions will be directed to the E-Board.**
 - **Set calendar for meetings**
 - **Mr. Dowell spoke to parents on the different bands under the program; ex. 2 concert bands, solo ensemble, percussion, etc.**
 - **Practice is scheduled all week until 6:30 and students will practice on Saturday, August 8, 2015 from 8-12.**
 - **Future practices will have Mondays off, practice on Tuesday-Thursday. Practices will eventually end at 6:00 as the season progress.**
 - **Mr. Dowell went over the band fee breakdown**
 - **Asked that fees be paid by August 21, 2015.**
 - **Went over the operating budget**
 - **Went over anticipated income**
 - **Need to arrange for pick-up/drop-off uniforms for cleaning**
 - **Wind and Percussion Members: \$275; Middle school students: \$150 (if there are two students, its half price for second student)**
 - **Mr. Dowell asked that a committee is formed in order to pick-up or prepare meals for the students before games. (All students must be present during meal time; regardless if they are eating what is prepared. This is for attendance purpose.)**
 - **Mr. Dowell ended with the floor open for questions.**
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- **Mr. Jackson spoke about his vision for the Percussion section.**
 - **Mr. Jackson spoke on how he has concerns that the school is not pushing the band program. It was asked that the parents step in and get involved with the efforts of pushing this to the Administrators of Stockbridge High.**

- **Mr. Jackson spoke on the solo ensembles and competitions to be planned throughout this school year. He also addressed the parents possibly hosting our own competitions at Stockbridge High; soliciting sponsors to help.**
- **Mr. Dowell and Mr. Jackson explained how the 4x4 block schedule works (how it possibly limits the students to enter into band courses.)**
- **Mr. Dowell addressed a question concerning the STEAM students and the possibility of them taking band for second semester. He stated that he is working with the Chairperson with those concerns.**
- **Mr. Dowell informed the parents on the buses for the middle school students:**
 - **Bus # 13-3 will bring students from Stockbridge Middle**
 - **Working on a driver for Austin Road Middle**
- **Mr. Dowell gave the link for the band handbooks and stated that the calendar events link will be up and updated monthly. (www.stockbridgeband.com)**

***Floor was opened for E-Board:**

Election took place:

- **President: Sisorlan Smith (Brandy Gordon-shadowing)**
- **Vice-President: Stacey Johnson**
- **Secretary: Renita Williams**
- **Treasurer: Kim Curry (Lisa Humphrey-shadowing)**
- **Fundraising- Robin Worthy**
- **Pre-Game Meals-Michele Green**

Meeting was adjourned.