



Hamilton Southeastern High School Royal Guardians
Royal Guardians Booster Parent Meeting Minutes – September 9, 2021

Meeting called to order per Jenny Banks president @ 7:35 p.m.

Director's Update per Audrey Torres

Blessed, relieved & excited for this season! There were no competitions last year due to Covid. Last year, even the football games looked different.

There is usually a fee to enter competitions of approximately \$7 - \$10 for spectators. BOA is more expensive (it is at Lucas Oil Stadium). However, if you volunteer, you don't have to pay. Be sure to sign up quickly in order to be able to volunteer (spots may go quickly).

Bands have been hit hard due to a national semi shortage & bus driver shortage.

- Next weekend, competition at FHS. However, only 6 bands competing total due to the shortage and other reasons. Hopeful to have an on-field clinic with a judging panel because they have already paid for the judges. This will take an additional half hour spot for each band.
- September 25 is the next competition which will be at Ben Davis.
- Homecoming (October 2): practice will have an altered time (8:00 – 1:30) to allow kids to go to homecoming if they desire. There will be a substantial snack but they will not have a lunch break on this day so that they may be released earlier.
- ISSMA regionals Saturday, October 16. This is a big deal & a very important day! We will be going either to Center Grove HS or Lafayette Jefferson HS.
- Friday, October 22 BOA Competition at Lucas Oil Stadium. This is a favorite of the kids. They get to perform inside Lucas Oil.
- Saturday October 23 2nd day of BOA. Will perform if qualify.
- Wednesday, October 20 practice 6:00 – 8:30.
- Thursday, October 21 practice 9:00 – 6:00. This is fall break. This practice is very important! They have not scheduled anything earlier in the week (Sunday through Wednesday evening) in order to give some family time.
- Thursday, October 21 at 6:30 Community Night Performance @ 6:30 p.m. The kids will dress in full uniform and give a performance in the stadium for family & friends!

Financial Update

- Joann Kolesar encouraged parents to get involved and volunteer.
- The band does not get a lot of funding from the school.
- We have received \$3,00 from company sponsorships.
- The band earned \$2,600 from the car wash plus money for the students to offset fees.
- We are \$10,000 shy of where we should be. And have already committed to expenses. Fund raising carries on for full band program (impacts jazz band, winter guard, pep band, next year's marching band, etc.).

Fundraising

- Please, thank our sponsors for supporting the band: Banks & Brower, Renaissance, Classic Cleaners, CSI signs, Vivonomics, Adrienne's flowers, Bibbibop, Chick Fil A, Marco's Pizza & Noble Roman's.
- Discussed Hamilton South Eastern Royal Guardians Community Rewards. When you use your Kroger Plus card, an amount is donated to the band. Also, Amazon Smile percentage goes back to the band (Smile.Amazon.com).
- Script cards: Available through app for various places (Loews, Home Depot, restaurants, etc.). A portion goes to the student for band fees and a portion goes to the band. Vicki Tripplett organizes this monthly for the band. They will need someone to take over this position next year and Vicky says she will be happy to train someone. You can also have family & friends sign up for Script and it will go to your child's account.
- Jenny Kraus has been doing a great job with Dine to Donate! Thanks Jenny!
- Next Monday is Noble Roman's (Allisonville & 116). Be sure to bring the flyer or tell the cashier.
- October 11 is Bibbibop: Be sure to bring the flyer. Online orders will not count towards this. They will give the band 20% of the profit.
- The band received over \$100 from Cluster Truck.

Kim Povinelli discussed volunteering opportunities

- Need volunteers for pit/prop (football games & competitions, need parents to ride the busses to competitions. They also need help grilling the hot dogs which will be served to the kids at the next football game. See sign up in the newsletter! If you're available please come! You do need a background check. It is \$15 but it is good for 3 years.

Upcoming Events

- October 29 Trunk or Treat
- October 5 blood drive in honor of Matt Spoonmore (former guard director who passed away from cancer).