

**Ringgold Band Boosters Meeting**  
**Tuesday, March 9, 2021**

Meeting called to order by Randall Burris at 7:03

Middle school treasurers report- \$1,510.00 in checking

High school treasurer's report-

\$4,489.00 checking account

3,814.00 outstanding checks not cashed

674.00 money will be transferred into this account

\$17,407.00 savings account

12,432.00 left in snap-raise account after tuba repairs were paid

611.00 in scholarship account (\$171.00 from amazon-smile went into the scholarship account. We still need \$1,000.00 for scholarship account)

10,600.00 secondary account covers busses and fixed los payments

9,000.00 pay-pal

Loan balance - \$2,350.00. Next payment is due June 2021

Fundraiser- Choo-Choo Kettle Corn fundraiser will be March 1-17. The popcorn will be delivered to the school week of March 22 for delivery. Popcorn is \$5.00 per bag with 50% of profits going to the band for different projects.

Scholarship committee has been formed with Heather Asbill- freshman parent, Jason Yarbrough- sophomore parent, and Marisa Hawkins- junior parent. Mr. Wright will give out scholarship forms to Seniors May 3.

**Middle School Band Directors report-**

Aaron Garland asked for formal wear donations if anyone had any their band student had outgrown. They will start sizing for vest next week.

The middle school will host the Large Group Performance Evaluation March 19, 8:30-5:00 Parent volunteers are needed to help at the registration table during the day.

The middle jazz band will play seven or eight tunes at “Puttin’ on the Ritz Lite” on April 26. After the 2 high school jazz bands play the middle school will join them on stage to perform 1 song combined.

### **High School Band Directors report-**

Mr. Wright is excited to have students back to school 5 days a week. Band rehearsals will be so much better. Big Band jazz band practice will be Mondays, 3:30-5:00 and Wednesdays 2:30-4:00, Royal Blues jazz practice will be Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:30-5:00.

There was quite a bit of interest for Winter Guard this year so we were able to have a Varsity and Junior Varsity guards. March 20 both guards will go to Alpharetta for competition. Also on 3/20, the Indoor Drumline will perform for “Friends and Family” at Lakeview Fort Oglethorpe High School at 6:00

All State concert has been cancelled. There were 4 students from RHS who made the band.

District Honor Band will be held April 30 and May 1 at Carrollton High School.

April 26 we will host “Puttin’ on the Ritz Lite” the middle school jazz band and both high school jazz bands will perform. A silent auction will be held during the evening.

April 27th is the 10th year Anniversary of the tornado. A remembrance will be held in the field beside the Ringgold Market. Band will perform at 7:00 in their concert band wear.

Spring concert is May 6. Concert will start at 7:00. Band awards will be presented throughout the concert. The Drum Major ceremony will also be presented.

A donation was made to the band for the new shelves in the band library. The library will be named in honor of a person that is special to the donor.

Villa Rica High School had tubas for sale like the ones we use. Principal J.R. Jones purchased 3 tubas along with their cases for the band out of charter school money. We have 5 of our tubas being refurbished. We purchased 5 new

cases from the Snap Raise money. Ringgold Telephone Company made a \$1,500.00 donation to help offset the cost.

Mr. Wright sold the moon show props to Gordon Lee High School. This will help pay off the marimba loan.

Mr. Wright is using the allocated county money (\$8,000) for the next 3 years for 8 mellophones, 6 marching baritones, 1 soprano saxophone, and a few percussion things. Mr. Wright purchased a new snares and a gong for concert band. The old gong had a crack in it.

Mr. Wright is selling the old uniform bibbers for \$25.00 per pair. Currently there are two schools in the area that are purchasing some. The new bibbers will have snap hems. Each band member will purchase their own bibber at a cost of \$40.00. Mr. Wright wants to purchase these for upcoming seniors next year. He has decided to not get new taller plumes.

There will be no band orchestra pit for the Performing Arts Anastasia show.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10

Amendment to minutes - On Thursday March 11th Mr. Wright requested a Zoom board meeting concerning the pull behind trailer. In attendance of the zoom meeting were Tracy Wright, Aaron Garland, Kelly Bomar, Randall Burris, Billy Cross, Vanessa Walden, and Diane Davis. The transportation department noted the following items that needed to be repaired: 2 axles 3,500 lbs each were bent, the wiring harness was damaged, running lights, brake lights and emergency lights didn't work. The following repairs were made: 2 new axles each 6,000 lb, 4 heavier load weight tires, new electrical wiring- replaced wiring harness, trailer running lights, brake lights, and emergency brake. The total cost was \$3,000.00. Catoosa County will cover half of the charges so our cost will only be \$1,500.