



**Date: 01/13/26**

**Re: Booster Club Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting started at 7:07 pm.**

**Cindy Retterer – BC President**

Intro of BC Board and Instructors

Directors:	Col (Ret) Stacy Godshall	- Ex Officio
	CMSgt (Ret) Roger Garcia	- Ex Officio
	Cindy Retterer	- President
	Hayli Friebel	- Senior Vice President
	Sarah Besuegli	- Secretary
	John Calder	- Treasurer
	Ali Wilcox	- VP of Volunteers
	Ashley Van Vuuren	- VP of Fundraising
	Brittani Watson	- Freshman Liaison

Listing of when BOD meets and when . . .

**Board of Directors** - 1st Tuesday of the month @ 6pm

- Club Business
- Budgeting
- Event Planning

**Booster Club** - 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 7pm

- Learn about upcoming events
- Volunteer/donation opportunities
- Cadet reports
- Instructor reports

Announced need to form a nominating committee and is looking for volunteers that are not running for office.

The following Board positions will be open:

- President
- SVP Spirit Wear
- VP Volunteers
- Freshman Liaison

Covered why you should be on the board and what the time commitment is. Join the board!



**Secretary: Sarah Besuegli**

Cindy will set up a remind to go into the site to review minutes. To be voted for approval the next time.

**Senior VP Spirit Wear: Hayli Freibel**

- There are extra PJ pants for sale!!
- 2025-2026 Goal is \$5,000
- YTD - \$4,610
- You can purchase at Booster Club meetings, the Tailgate Party in February or online at <https://www.twhsjrotcboosters.org/shop>
- There are great spirit wear bundles.
- Questions? - contact [spiritwear@twhsjrotcbooster.org](mailto:spiritwear@twhsjrotcbooster.org)

**Freshman Liaison- Brittani Watson**

- Check your weekly newsletter
- Unit Inspection - Oct 27, 2025@ 6:30am - parents are welcome
- Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or need assistance.

**Tailgates and Touch Downs - Ali Wilcox**

1. Baking contest
2. Presale tickets for dinner (GameDay Eats - Wing, Hamburger, Philly Cheesesteak Baskets)
3. Games
4. LDR Showcase
5. Raffle and Auctions
6. The Jail
7. Live Music
8. Auction Items
  - a. Dynamo - 4 Tickets with parking and club access!
  - b. Dash - 4 Tickets with parking and club access!
  - c. 2 Nights at the Margaritaville in Conroe
  - d. Spas and other assorted baskets
9. Many Surprises!

Friday, February 6, 2026 (6-9 p.m.) at the 9th Grade Campus (Invite your friends and neighbors!)

If you are interested you can contact Jennifer directly at 713-501-6629 or [jennifer@buhigas.com](mailto:jennifer@buhigas.com)



### VP of Volunteers- Ali Wilcox

- Big thank you to all our volunteers!
- Upcoming Volunteer Events:
  - February 6th – Tailgate and Touch Downs Party (formerly Chili Cookoff)
  - March – Bataan Memorial March - will need a couple of volunteers (someone with healthcare background)
- To volunteer you must be registered <https://apps.conroeisd.net/volunteer/> after you get the confirmation email, please send to Ms. Harris. Ms. Harris will review the approved volunteer list and remove parents whose students have left the program.

### VP of Fundraising- Ashley VanVurren (Reported by Cindy Retterer)

- Restaurant Nights - Spirit Nights (All Year) - parents and cadets send in your ideas
- Shopping Rewards - Kroger (All Year)
- Raise Right - Gift Cards/Online
- Individual, Corporate, Corporate Matching

August - Chiller Bee - Great Success! \$190 Raised

September - Kendra Scott \$163.53 and Niko Niko's \$500 Raised

October - Mod Pizza \$549.47 Raised and HopDoddy \$152 Raised

November - The Stand \$83.97 Raised and Wreaths across America \$505 Donated

December - Torchy's Tacos \$TBD

January - 1/14 Raising Cane's at the Research Forest Location

February - 2/11 Panda Express

### RaiseRight Gift Card Fundraising | Super Impactful

- RaiseRight is an online fundraising platform that helps organizations and families earn money by purchasing gift cards, shopping online, dining out, or booking travel.
- Already raised over \$300 which is great for a first year program.

Enroll in Kroger Rewards through app (raised over \$400 last year) | See step by step setup video in the newsletter and below:

- In the Kroger App select Profile
- Scroll down to **Community Rewards** listed under "Payments & Services"
- Click Change or Add organization
- Type "TWHS" into search bar & find *THWS AFJROTC Booster Club*
- Click Enroll & you're all set!



**Treasurer- John Calder absent | reported b Ashley VanVurren - Treasurer Report**

- Lots of great fundraising and the club supported the Winter Formal
- Booster Club wants to invest in the cadets and make sure the money is being put to good use.
- Audit was completed.
- Full December report below:

## 2025-26 Dec Treasurer's Report

<b>\$22,148.33</b>	<b>Nov 30, 2025 beginning balance</b>
-\$661.19	<i>Net Spiritwear sales / costs (incl. blanket refunds)</i>
-\$75.20	<i>Net cadet snacks</i>
+\$1,049.47	<i>Spirit nights (Niko Niko's, MOD Pizza)</i>
+\$1,000.00	<i>Corp. donation (Tailgates &amp; Touchdowns)</i>
+\$163.53	<i>Kendra Scott</i>
+\$38.77	<i>RaiseRight</i>
-\$2,941.41	<i>Winter Formal</i>
-\$59.44	<i>Kitty Hawk</i>
-\$295.36	<i>Veteran's Day</i>
<b>\$20,367.50</b>	<b>Dec 31, 2025 ending balance</b>



## Cadet Reports (Aidan Phillips | Miranda Freibel | Joshua Juno)

- Discussed what's going on with Juniors and survival classes. Learning how to tie knots as well as strategies to use in paintball.
- Juniors will be going to Texas A&M in January and they have been working on college planning in their leadership class.
- Asked parents to encourage their cadets to do more volunteering so the unit meets their goal.
- Marksmanship is about to start qualifying for nationals. This LDR will open up to new cadets later this spring.
- Make sure your cadets are communicating about announcements. Ask them about the major events slide.
- LDR's are entering competition season and a lot is going on. Stellar Explorers is doing "Stellar" and looking to qualify for semifinals. Drones are hoping to get to nationals as well. Orienteering continues to attend meets with records attendance. Drill is actively prepping for their upcoming meet. There is a new revised LDR schedule to accommodate the increased demand for practice and competitions.
- Wreaths Across America - cadets went and placed wreaths at graves and it was a great event.
- Kitty Hawk tutoring session - highly attended before midterms. The unit met an academic goal of an 82% average!
- The three LDR's (Drill, Drones and Rocketry) will be presenting at Tailgates
- There will be great baskets at Tailgates
- Volunteer opportunities are always presented in the announcements
- If you do community service on your own, you can submit your CS form by the following Thursday

## Instructor Reports

**Col. Godshall** – Nasa visit went extremely well. Kids were very engaged.

Working with cadets on paintball and giving them a little more survival skills. At the end of February.

Stellar Xplorers studied on their own over the winter break and the results showed in competition.

Orienteering is doing great as well, so well that nearly half the unit wants to participate now. No matter who gets lost they won't be left behind!

JLAB continues to do phenomenal in their preparations to the next round.



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Encouraged parents to participate and freshman cadets have been encouraged to invite at least one teacher.

Recruiting and retention are both important. Over the years approximately 70% of the unit stays from Freshman to Senior. Col. is looking for parent's feedback on how to increase retention.

Headquarters has said that freshmen no longer have a choice on wearing uniforms.

**Want to volunteer?** - be sure to fill out the volunteer application at <https://apps.conroeisd.net/volunteer/> | After you have completed the application, please forward your volunteer approval to [patharris@conroisd.net](mailto:patharris@conroisd.net) and [secretary@twhsjrotcbooster.org](mailto:secretary@twhsjrotcbooster.org)

**Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm**

**The next meeting is January 13th, 2026 at our new start time of 7pm!**