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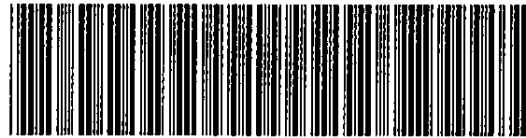
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November 4, 2011

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
Post Office Box 6327  
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Band Boosters of Okeechobee County, Inc.

Our File No: 11-6029

Dear Sir/Madam:


You will find enclosed herewith an **original** executed Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced not-for-profit corporation along with a copy of same. Also enclosed is our firm's check in the amount of \$87.50 to cover the following:

Filing Fee of Articles	\$35.00
Certified Copy of Articles	\$ 8.75
Certificate Designating Registered Agent	\$35.00
Certificate of Status	\$ 8.75

Please return the certified copy of the Articles, together with your Certification of Incorporation and Certificate of Status at your earliest convenience.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,



Laura Ann McCall  
LAM/lr

Enclosures: As stated.

cc: Band Boosters of Okeechobee County, Inc.

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

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**BAND BOOSTERS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, INC.** SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida applicable to corporations not for profit (Florida Statutes Chapter 617), does hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE I**

The name of this corporation is BAND BOOSTERS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, INC.

**ARTICLE II**

The principal office shall be located at 325 SE 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Okeechobee, FL 34974.

**ARTICLE III**

The corporation is organized to operate exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law) and more specifically:

- a. To disseminate information of and promote the interest and community support in school bands within Okeechobee County, including, but not limited to the Okeechobee High School Band, the Osceola Middle School Band, and the Yearling Middle School Band, which shall collectively be referred to as the "Okeechobee School Bands", or to enhance the value of its assets; and in general to do any and all things and exercise any and all powers, rights, and privileges which a corporation may now or hereafter be organized to do or to exercise under the Business Corporation Law of the State of Florida or under any act amendatory thereof, supplemental thereto, or substituted therefor.
- b. To hold meetings and other activities for the betterment of the Okeechobee School Bands.
- c. To aid, work with, and participate in the activities of other organizations, individuals and public and private entities located within and outside of Okeechobee County, Florida, engaged in similar purposes.
- d. To manage, solicit, receive, and administer by gift, grant, devise, bequeath or otherwise, and from any private or public sources, personal or real property, and to hold, administer, sell, invest, reinvest, manage, use, disburse and distribute, and apply the income and/or principal of the same in accordance with the directions and intent of the donor or donors

- of such property, or, in the absence of such directions, as the corporation may deem best from time to time, for the promotion of any and all of the foregoing purposes.
- e. To do any and all of the things, either alone or in cooperation with other organizations or institutions, and either directly or by contributions to such other organizations or institution, which it may deem necessary or proper in order to carry into effect any and/or all of the foregoing objects or purposes.
  - f. Nothing herein shall authorize this cooperation directly or indirectly, to engage in or include among its purposes, any activity not authorized by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, or in any way would jeopardize or inhibit this corporation's recognition as a non-profit corporation with tax exempt status under applicable state and federal statutes.

#### ARTICLE IV

Manner of Election in which the directors are elected and appointed. The business of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors which shall contain a minimum of five (5) and a maximum of seven (7) directors. The directors elected each year at the annual meeting of the members shall be for a term of three (3) years; provided, however, that the initial Board of Directors may be staggered with one, two, or three year terms in order to provide continuity to future Boards. These directors shall receive no compensation for their services. Vacancies occurring on the Board of Directors may be filled by the Board for the unexpired term whenever in its opinion, the appointment of such additional directors is in the best interest of the corporation. The names and addresses of those individuals who are to serve as members of the initial Board of Directors are as follows:

Robert Orr	3 year term
7312 NW 84 <sup>th</sup> Court	
Okeechobee, FL 34972	

Kimberley Sarros	1 year term
8 Casey Lane, BHR	
Okeechobee, FL 34974	

Ronda Watt	2 year term
3570 SW 16 <sup>th</sup> Street	
Okeechobee, FL 34974	

Leah Suarez	3 year term
325 SE 15 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	
Okeechobee, FL 34974	

Steven Dobbs  
1062 Jakes Way, BHR  
Okeechobee, FL 34974

3 year term

Cynthia Holmes  
5073 NW 24<sup>th</sup> Street  
Okeechobee, FL 34972

2 year term

#### ARTICLE V

The name and address of the initial registered agent and office of the Corporation is: Laura Ann McCall, 400 N.W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34972.

#### ARTICLE VI

The name and address of the subscriber of the Articles of Incorporation is: LEAH SUAREZ, 325 SE 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida 34974.

#### ARTICLE VII

The Corporation shall have members. Members of the Corporation will be required to meet the following qualifications: every contributor of cash donations or cash equivalent, shall thereby become a member of the corporation and shall be entitled to voice opinions and votes at the annual meeting of the members during the annual year of the corporation following the contribution. Failure to make an annual cash donation, or cash equivalent contribution, shall automatically terminate the membership of the contributor for the following annual year of the corporation. Further, qualifications and specifics as to membership notifications shall be regulated by the by-laws of the corporation provided they are not inconsistent with these articles.

#### ARTICLE VIII

The Corporation shall indemnify any officer or director, or any former officer or director to the full extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE IX

The annual meeting of the members of the Band Boosters of Okeechobee County, Inc. for the transaction of business of the Corporation and the election of members to the Board of Directors shall be held the 2nd Thursday in April, or at such other time as may be determined by the by-laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE X

The quorum of any meeting of the membership of the Corporation shall consist of twelve (12) members; vote of a majority of such quorum shall serve to transact any and all business properly coming before such meeting, except as otherwise provided by the by-laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XI

Upon dissolution of the Corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal, State or Local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation if then located, exclusively for such purposes.

Executed by the undersigned at Okeechobee, Florida on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011.

  
LEAH SUAREZ

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF OKEECHOBEE

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA  
SECRETARY OF STATE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011, by LEAH SUAREZ ( ) who is personally known to me, or (X) who has produced Fl. DL exps: 10/22/12 as identification.

SWORN TO and SUBSCRIBED before me this 4th day of November, 2011.

Tracy Rowland  
Signature of NOTARY PUBLIC

Tracy Rowland  
Printed name of NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires:



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**CONSENT OF REGISTERED AGENT TO ACCEPT SERVICE**

I, LAURA ANN McCALL, hereby agree to be the registered agent for BAND BOOSTERS OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, INC., and further hereby agree to accept any and all correspondence directed to said corporation and addressed to the registered office at 400 NW 2nd Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34972.

Laura Ann McCall  
LAURA ANN McCALL

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF OKEECHOBEE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 4th day of November, 2011, by LAURA ANN McCALL, ( ☒ ) who is personally known to me or ( ) who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

SWORN TO and SUBSCRIBED before me this 4th day of November, 2011.

Tracy Rowland  
Signature of NOTARY PUBLIC

Tracy Rowland  
Printed name of NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires:

