

MHS Band Booster Meeting Minutes
April 28, 2021

Call to order: 7:04pm (Tonight's meeting held via Zoom)

Present: Claire Kasamis, President; Greg Shumski, Treasurer; Serena Moon, Secretary; Kristine Asmussen and Sara Roberts, Marching Band Uniform Chairs; Maureen Casler and Julie Salski, Concert Band Uniform Chair; Edgar Rodrigues, Volunteer Coordinator; Paula Luszcz, Hospitality Chair; Andy Sturgeon and Jerry Shelato, Band Directors; plus 5 others. Total in attendance: 16.

Past Events:

- Students have been preparing for various performances coming up, including the show choir performance and the spring musical. Show choir performance will be streamed live so Noise has been rehearsing with the show choir students. Pit this year is a bit different so several alumni were asked to make a recording along with Isabel Siosson for the musical.
- Tracey Boone has volunteered to be the new Treasurer for next year. Greg will work with Tracey to transition.

Board/Chair Reports:

Treasurer (Greg Shumski):

- Bank balances as of 4/25/2021 statement:
 - Boosters: \$27,402.92
 - Escrow: \$23,901.25
- Updates and Highlights:
 - We received an unsolicited donation of \$187.70 from Dun and Bradstreet via the Benevity Community Impact Fund
 - Greg still has not yet received the funds from the Emil's dine out event (Oct 2020)
 - 2021 graduates currently have \$4,014.64 in escrow. Graduates not currently in band have \$986.24 in escrow - this amount will be added to the boosters account in the fall. One student has donated \$655.72 - Greg normally transfers this amount in the fall when all the senior escrow accounts are discussed.
- Scrips Deposit \$184.85 during April (to date)

Fundraising (Nicole Knight - absent; Claire gave the report):

- Turks is no longer scheduling fundraisers for the rest of spring, so we may consider a Turks fundraiser in the fall.
- Nicole is planning a dine out event for Taste of Paris for May.
- Claire and Nicole are in discussion about possible summer events
- Nicole will be stepping down after this school year because she will no longer have a student in band so we will need a new Fundraising Chair

Uniforms (Kristine Asmussen, Sara Roberts, Maureen Casler, Julie Salski):

- We used the parkas again for the last football game and realized that we need to figure out a better system of collecting the parkas after use. We just had the students put them in a pile and then Sara and Kristine hung all of them.
- Marching band hat boxes will need to be assembled and the new hats stored.\
- Both marching and concert band uniforms should be ready for fittings for the fall soon
- Maureen has populated a new spreadsheet that will be used to track the inventory of concert band uniforms. Maureen suggested using a “contract” to encourage parents and students to take better care of uniforms and to ensure that all of them are returned at the end of the season.
- We definitely need some volunteers who can sew to help out with the fittings in the fall for concert band uniforms.

Points of Interest:

- We are in need of replacements/shadows for the following positions:
 - Equipment chair, Concert Band Uniform chair, Hospitality, Fundraising
- Senior Recognition Discussion - we will need a table to set up the gifts and treats at the senior appreciation during the spring concert
- Summer Band Camp Scholarship applications will be made available for up to 20 students. Forms due 5/5. The Band Directors will send out the information about this to the students.
- Carl Sandburg is having a final concert for their 8th graders and Sara Roberts suggested having some band boosters present to answer questions/recruit new parents for boosters next year. Claire Kasamis and Serena Moon volunteered to attend on May 27.

Directors Updates:

- Announcements for May 1 show choir event
- Announcements for May 2 Jazz Ensemble concert - only family members of Jazz Ensemble will be given tickets, all others are invited to attend via Live Stream
- We will be having a spring concert for all bands and the percussion ensemble on May 16. Our rain plan is to meet earlier and record the event in time to have it ready to share later in the day, same date.
- Jazz Ensemble will be having a concert at Kracklauer park on 5/22, which will kick off the Village of Mundelein’s summer concert series.
- Sunday 5/23, all non senior honors band students have been asked to perform at the graduation. We do not yet know the details of potential hospitality that may be needed for the band students, whether lunch will be provided or whether they will be given time to take a lunch break on their own.
- The Mundelein Memorial Day Parade has been cancelled this year but the village asked for a couple of our students to make a recording of Taps.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50pm

After our regular meeting the Executive Board, the Band Directors and our incoming Treasurer Tracey Boone conducted our annual audit of the financials.