

MHS Band Booster Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2020

Call to order: 7:01pm (Tonight's meeting held via Zoom due to COVID-19 school closure)

Present: Claire Kasamis, President; Greg Shumski, Treasurer; Serena Moon, Secretary; Sarah Roberts and Maureen Casler, Uniform Chairs; Edgar Rodriguez, Volunteer Coordinator; Andy Sturgeon and Jerry Shelato, Band Directors; plus 24 others. Total in attendance: 32

Chair Updates:

- President: Claire Kasamis
- Treasurer: Greg Shumski (shadow needed)
- Secretary: Serena Moon
- Uniforms:
 - Marching: Kristine Asmussen, Sarah Roberts
 - Concert: Maureen Casler (shadow needed)
- Volunteer Coordinator: Edgar Rodriguez
- Hospitality: Lynn Owens, Yolonda Moenning, Paula Luszczyk
- Fundraising: OPEN
 - Scrip: Kristine Asmussen
 - Evening of Jazz: Maureen Casler (shadow needed)
- Equipment: Rich Morris

Introductions

- Since this is the first meeting of the school year everyone went around introducing themselves

Past Events:

- Virtual camps (Drum Major Camp, Marching Band Camp, Color Guard Camp, Percussion Camp) – all camps have been taken online this summer and the students are finding creative and meaningful ways to make the most of the virtual learning environment. All student leaders have really stepped up to find ways to make connections.
- Mr. Sturgeon shared a slideshow introducing the staff at MHS for Band as well as the student leaders for this year, including drum majors, field captains, freshman liaisons and librarians.
- The field captains this year have put together a video series on marching; this should be especially helpful for incoming freshman.

Board/Chair Reports:

Treasurer (Greg Shumski)

- Bank balances as of 7/31/2020 Statements:
 - Boosters: \$24,843.39
 - Escrow: \$22,935.55
- Updates and Highlights:
 - General:
 - Pie Card Fundraiser – we still need a new one to replace this one
 - State of Illinois Tax Exemption – we have not received any response from the state. Due to COVID there are delays and extensions, so as of now we believe the exemption is fine through December 31, 2020
 - Escrow and Boosters reimbursement forms have been updated on the website

- Escrow:
 - Senior class donations to boosters so far \$633.38
 - Scrips deposits for June \$146.80

Uniforms – Concert (Maureen Casler)

- Maureen will need a shadow this year

Miscellaneous:

- Greg Shumski reviewed a table that he put together with information from past years fundraising efforts, including percentages distributed as well as profits made
- Nicole Knight expressed interest in leading Fundraising
- Question was raised on how to sign up for Scrips. Greg Shumski and Kristine Asmussen will review and send out information about the Scrips program to all band families
- Question was raised whether there will be a marching season in the spring when Football season takes place – Mr. Sturgeon explained that as of now many things are still uncertain and that we won't know the answer until spring
- Suggestion was made to continue dine out events during the year since the summer ones were pretty successful

Directors Updates:

- Mr. Sturgeon and Mr. Shelato did a demo of a program called Sound Trap to record music with other people so that parents could see how the students will be making recordings “together” this year
- Boxes have arrived at the school containing the new marching band uniforms

Next Meeting: September 3, 2020

Meeting adjourned