

MHS Band Booster Meeting Minutes
December 3, 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; Nicole Knight, Fundraising Chair; Kristine Asmussen and Sara Roberts, Marching Band Uniform Chairs; Maureen Casler, Concert Band uniform chair; Edgar Rodriguez, Volunteer Coordinator; Andy Sturgeon and Jerry Shelato, Band Directors; plus 7 others. Total in attendance: 17

Chair Updates:

- President: Claire Kasamis
- Treasurer: Greg Shumski (*shadow needed*)
- Secretary: Serena Moon
- Uniforms:
 - Marching: Kristine Asmussen, Sara Roberts
 - Concert: Maureen Casler, Julie Salski
- Volunteer Coordinator: Edgar Rodriguez
- Hospitality: Paula Luszc
- Fundraising: Nicole Knight
 - Scrip: Kristine Asmussen
 - Evening of Jazz: Maureen Casler (*shadow needed*)
- Equipment: Rich Morris (*shadow needed*)

Past Events:

- ILMEA Virtual Festivals. 7 MHS students attended the festival, which was opened up with an encouraging message for students in music. Then the students participated in two different master classes, separated out by their instruments.
- A video of the Virtual Marching Band Performance was sent to all band families this past month highlighting the season and sharing some of the music that they students had worked on.
- This past week an event was held for 8th graders. In a normal year, we would have invited them to come and perform with the MHS band at a football game, however this year we were able to engage them by having sectionals and the opportunity to interact with current MHS band students. Three different sessions were held to accommodate all the feeder middle schools. We had great participation from current band students. Next month there will be an event for the 8th graders and their parents to gather more information about band participation. We are planning on providing t-shirts to all incoming freshman, as usual.

Board/Chair Reports:

Treasurer (Greg Shumski)

- Bank balances as of 11/30/2020 Statements:
 - Boosters: \$26,995.69
 - Escrow: \$19,485.82
- Updates and Highlights:
 - General:
 - Reminder that we decided to adjust allocations of fundraising money to 75%/25% for all fundraisers this year, except for Scrips which will go to 90%/10% to help offset delivery cost of physical gift cards.
 - Greg will send out another Facebook blast about Amazon Smile

- Escrow:
 - Scrips deposit: November Total \$255.72; School year to date \$731.68

Fundraising (Nicole Knight) and Volunteer (Edgar Rodriguez)

- Fruit Fundraiser – Total sales online \$3,022, total paper sales \$2,729. We still don't know the exact amount that will be due to the company. Once we receive the fruit, they will invoice us what we owe.
 - Delivery will be Noon on Monday December 7, 2020. The driver is traveling from Florida, so we will have to be prepared for a potential delay. Maintenance and/or security will take delivery and then band volunteers will meet to sort and distribute to families.
 - We decided to ask for 6 volunteers for the sorting and another 6 for distribution
 - All volunteers will need to park in the main parking lot and go through temperature checks and COVID questionnaires before entering the building
 - Families picking up fruit will line up outside Door #5 and band volunteers will place fruit in trunks
- DINE OUT - We received a check for \$100 from Emil's and are waiting for a check from Area Coffee. We are considering doing an event at Tony Cannoli's early next year.
- SCRIPS (Kristine Asmussen) – Gift Cards can now be shipped to homes for a fee. Our overall sales have gone up over last year and most families are using the e-cards rather than the physical cards.

Miscellaneous:

- We are still in need of shadows for Greg, Rich and Maureen.

Directors Updates:

- Directors shared a couple of final projects that students are currently working on via SoundTrap
- The Jazz Ensemble will be participating in the Quinlan and Fabish festival and are finishing up the recording/editing

Next Meeting: January 7, 2021 @ 7:00pm

Meeting adjourned 7:38pm

Immediately after the meeting, the Board and Edgar and Nicole worked out a few details regarding the Fruit Fundraiser Distribution