

MHS Band Booster Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2021

Call to order: 7:05pm

(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; Edgar Rodriguez, Volunteer Coordinator; Andy Sturgeon and Jerry Shelato, Band Directors; plus 3 others. Total in attendance: 12

Past Events:

- Fruit Fundraiser Delivery went generally well. There were some families who didn't get the correct sizes, but we were able to upgrade them with extra boxes that we received. For next year, we should print the online order forms to include with each order. There were differences in online forms versus paper order forms. There were also items offered online, but not really available, so the company made substitutions and charged us the amount for the substitution. Greg was able to figure out the differences and made the appropriate adjustments. As far as the number of volunteers, we had enough volunteers for both the first shift (sorting) and the second shift (pick up event). We had a number of students who volunteered during the second shift who made the event go very smoothly.
- Midwest Gala – MHS submitted a video for this virtual event. During the actual event, they showed our video early on and the students received many positive remarks.
- December Honors Student projects – all the honors band students did their final projects and as they viewed each other's works there were many encouraging notes being passed via chat. Despite the challenges of being in a remote environment, the students did a phenomenal job with their projects and many students were able to showcase their individual talents.

Board/Chair Reports:

Treasurer (Greg Shumski):

- Bank balances as of 12/31/2020 Statements:
 - Boosters: \$26,783.09
 - Escrow: \$21,080.34
- Updates and Highlights:
 - General:
 - There is a general downward trend year over year in balances.
 - In Treasurer's notes, Greg made suggestions for the Fruit Fundraiser next year
 - Escrow:
 - Scrips deposit: December totaled \$417.92. School year to date \$1,149.60.

Fundraising (Nicole Knight):

- DINE OUT - We received a check for \$100 from Emil's and Nicole will try to get it to Greg. We are still waiting for the Area Coffee check. We are trying to work out a Dine Out event at Tony Cannoli's in January and maybe Tina G's after that.
- Fannie May will be our next fundraiser. Nicole has been communicating with the family that runs the business and they wanted to know the hybrid/remote situation at MHS. We will process as if we will be remote so that we won't have to worry if we go hybrid and then have to revert back to remote.
- For our spring fundraiser Nicole suggested a flower seed/bulb fundraiser. She will contact local nurseries to see if they would be interested in doing an event similar to our Dine Out events.

- SCRIPS (Kristine Asmussen) – In December we had \$2,230 in sales and all cards were either electronic or shipped to home.

Marching Band Uniforms (Kristine Asmussen and Sara Roberts):

- Kristine and Sara went and organized D02 in December and made room to hang up the new parkas. We are in need of boxes w/bars to store some of the old uniforms. We do need to find a long term solution for storing the parkas. We also need new storage for the plumes – Sara and Kristine prefer to use the bins rather than bags because the bins are easier to store in D02. We have not opened the new plumes yet.
- We are still trying to sell the old uniforms if possible, however, if school goes to hybrid we may not have a choice but to donate in order to get them out of the band room.

Miscellaneous:

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

Directors Updates:

- The Honors band will be having a Solo/Etude Virtual event on Thursday 2/18. It will essentially be a zoom room opened where students can perform a piece and receive feedback. Although this will be required of the honors students, all band students are encouraged to participate.
- Next Thursday we will also be hosting the 8th grade Allstar Night via zoom for all incoming band students and their parents

Next Meeting: February 4, 2021 @ 7:00pm

Meeting adjourned 8:01pm