

MUNFORD BAND BOOSTER MEETING

The Munford High School Band Boosters met on Monday, May 11, 2015 in the Munford High School Band Room. President Chris Hacker brought the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. All executive officers were present. Mr. Trobaugh was in attendance.

Standing Reports:

The secretary's report was first on the agenda. Keith Kutz made the motion to dispense with the reading of the April minutes as they are posted to the band website. The motion was seconded by Mary Frantz and passed with none opposed.

The treasurer's report was presented by Teresa Schelly and was available on the back of the agenda. Teresa stated that the fundraising line item does not reflect the payment for peaches. Next Macy's payment and the first Friends and Family payment were made. Christy Renfrow made the motion to accept the report as printed. Keith Kutz seconded the motion. No further discussion. All were in favor, none opposed.

Old Business:

Alumni March – Maret Graham is heading up the Alumni March that will be held during Munford Celebrate. A copy of the artwork was presented. T-shirts will be given to all who register. Anyone interested in participating can get more information on the *Munford High School Marching Band Alumni* Facebook page. Graduating seniors are encouraged to participate. A trumpet player from the 1959 MHS band will be participating. Anyone with instruments, flags and color guard rifles as well as **those who would just like to walk in the precession are welcomed**. You do not have to have an instrument to participate. All funds raised will go toward Macy's. An article in *"The Leader" is in the works*. Some of the sponsors to date are Haddad's, Dwayne Hunter Trucking, Clay Millican, and Joyner Heat and Air.

By-Law Change – 2nd reading by Rick Keenan. No comments or discussion followed.

Three successful readings are needed before a vote can be made to accept the changes. Yellow highlighted and red items are additions. Strikethroughs are removals. By-law changes will potentially affect the way the band operates for the next year (July 1 – June 30). Documents are posted online for review. See attached.

Fee Schedule 2015/ 2016 – Is as follows.

- o First Child \$900; \$150 per month April – September
- o Second and consecutive child(ren) - \$810; \$135 per month April – September

Question: When will charms be updated? Stephanie Swope stated fees for next marching season will be updated after the graduation/ removal of seniors in June. If charms accounts were to be updated now the 2014/ 2015 seniors would show owing next year's fees. If your charms account shows a credit balance of \$150 at the time of the meeting and \$450 by June 15 your student is up to date.

If you are not receiving a financial statement via email, the Co-Treasurer does not have a valid email address for you. Please contact cotreasurer@munfordband.com in order to receive your charms statement. Payments by check can be sent to the Munford Band Boosters at P.O. Box 1304, Munford, TN 38058. All cash payments should be made to an executive board member so a receipt can be provided to you. Contact any of the board members for cash payments and arrangements can be made to meet you.

New Business:

Band Fees - All outstanding balances were due February 15. Seven (senior) student accounts are delinquent at the time of the meeting. 89 students have not paid the first full April deposit of \$150 and the second payment of \$150 is due May 15. If your child is not current on fees this year, this could be the reason they do not travel to Macy's. Band fee payments can be made after the meeting.

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Fundraising –

Commercial Appeal fundraiser starts now and ends June 1. This offer is exclusive to the band, in this area, until June 1.

For every newspaper subscription sold students will receive a credit after each sale. All you have to do is share on social media or hand out a flier directing friends and family to the Commercial Appeal link 5buckbundle.com/mhsband. Each order that's submitted with a student's name will be tracked to ensure proper credit is given at the end of the fundraiser. Offer is for new subscribers only.

Sunday Only: Your cost: \$55 for the year/\$15 for child fees/\$10 for the band.

Fri/Sat/Sun: Your cost: \$76 for the year/\$25 for child fees/\$10 for the band.

7 Day: Your Cost: \$115 for the year/\$35 for child fees/\$10 for band.

The Commercial Appeal will also offer an additional incentive for the students.

Each student to reach 10 sales will receive an extra \$75.

Each student to reach 20 sales will receive an extra \$150.

Each student to reach 30 sales will receive an iPad Mini.

Any student able to sell 50 subscriptions will receive all three of the above rewards - \$225 Cash and an iPad Mini.

These rewards will be paid out in October to the Band. From there the band will disburse the cash and prizes.

Peaches will be delivered during band camp and thank you to all who came to the Applebee's pancake breakfast in Covington.

Chris Hacker – Exit Speech

Thank you for the ride. It is the greatest 80 hours a week I will ever spend to work for free. I have been blessed to be a part of this organization and especially blessed to work with your kids. Thank you for the trust you put in me to get your kids from point A to point B. The people I have had the opportunity to work with on the executive board are very special. I have never been more privileged to work with Jason, Tina, Teresa and Stephanie. These are some of the hardest working people you will ever meet in your life. We spend more time together especially during marching season than we do with our own families. We all worked really hard but when you see all that we have accomplished don't look at me and give me all the credit; look at them. All the heavy lifting was done by them. These people have worked extraordinarily hard for your children and I am very fortunate to have had the opportunity to serve with them and build lifelong friendships. You have been blessed to have had them whether you know it or not, regardless of all the spam remind 101 texts and emails.

As we move forward and elect a new executive board I hope you have prayed and thought about it because you are putting people in charge of a lot of money and most importantly your most precious asset, your children. Understand and know who you are voting for because they will spend a lot of time with your children. God bless anyone who volunteers and puts their name in the hat to get elected. Whether you win or not thank you for taking the chance to lead and for your willingness to spend the time required.

Thank you for entrusting me with your children. Thank you to my team who has become some of the most special people to me next to my children and my wife.

Executive Board Nominations & Vote – Nominations for the executive board positions were accepted. The person nominated must be present at the meeting to accept the nomination. Executive positions have a term limit of two years and must have a current child in the band. Mandatory vacancies are President, Secretary and Treasurer. Voting was carried out by secret ballots and counted by Rick Keenan, Christina Broughton, Jason Hibbard and Jennifer Hacker. Membership cards were verified before ballots were issued. Members who did not have their membership cards were verified by Membership/ Sponsorship chair Lynne Fitzgerald before ballots were issued to them.

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Nominations are as follows:

President Pam Ethridge - On the ballot

A motion was made by Rick Keenan for the Secretary to cast one vote for Pam Ethridge as she ran unopposed.

Vice President Christy Renfrow - On the ballot

Tina McKinney - On the ballot

Secretary Sandra Hibbard - Accepted nomination made by Mike Leggett

Karen Willis - Accepted nomination by Betty Copeland

Christy Renfrow - Accepted nomination by Jamie Edmondson

Lynda Johnson - Accepted nomination by Denise Dillon

Ben Kirk - Accepted nomination by Jim Disch

Treasurer Stephanie Swope - On the ballot

A motion was made by Rick Keenan for the Secretary to cast one vote for Stephanie Swope as she ran unopposed.

Co Treasurer Teresa Schelly - On the ballot

A motion was made by Rick Keenan for the Secretary to cast one vote for Teresa Schelly as she ran unopposed.

Newly Elected Officers for 2015 – 2016 School Year and added to MHSBB bank accounts

(Some of the following names listed may only have a change in title)

President Pam Ethridge

Vice President Tina McKinney

Secretary Sandra Hibbard

Treasurer Stephanie Swope

Co Treasurer Teresa Schelly

For banking purposes the listed officers shall be added or removed from the Munford Band Boosters bank accounts and shall surrender band booster debit cards as required once the turnover is complete in June.

Remove from MHSBB bank accounts

President Chris Hacker

Vice President Jason Hibbard

Anyone interested in Committee Chairs positions can email execboard@munfordband.com and appointments will be made by the President and approved by the Executive Committee. Appointments will be made within the first month of the President's term of office.

Macy's Friends and Family Update – Rooms are still available in the Westin but are now incurring an additional \$100 administration fee per person since the April 30th deadline has passed.

Question: When will the all of the additional included package deal items be distributed? Tickets and subway passes will be given out during check-in at the hotel. For people flying in you may have to pay for your first Path Train ride. Details are still being ironed out.

Ben Kirk stated - For anyone interested in flying round trip tickets on Orbit were listed at \$248 at the time of the meeting. This price point did have a layover.

Uniforms – The need to purchase additional uniforms was brought to the floor. Incoming freshman are small in size and with the current students' need for smaller sizes there are not enough smaller sized uniforms to properly fit new students. Uniform chair Xan Landsittel made a motion to allot up to \$6000 for the purchase of new uniforms to accommodate incoming freshman. Jamie Edmondson asked what and how many uniform pieces were needed. The need is for 5 complete uniform sets, 10 bibbers, 2 coats and small gauntlets. There is a 60 - 90 day delivery time for these items and an order needs to be placed immediately in order to have them in before marching season. Jamie Edmondson seconded the motion. Teresa Schelly stated that the uniform account currently has \$15k and can be used to purchase what is needed. No further discussion. Motion passed with none opposed.

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Directors Remarks –

Kudos; to Chris, the executive board and to many of you in the meeting tonight. For almost a calendar year we have been working two sets of plans and it has been a tremendous struggle for everybody to show dignity and respect to our seniors and to not scream Macy's every day we get out of bed but still work on well laid out plans to get us where we need to go. Our board has essentially been doing the work of two executive boards this year. Thank you.

Sound equipment purchase from Memphis Audio, will include an audio console, subwoofer and Wifi router. This equipment will enable the directors to control the front end ensemble sound by working remotely through bluetooth and iPad from the stands. The screeching sounds and volume will be controlled to produce a quality sound. Money from the school account will cover the cost of the equipment. Equipment could possibly be used during the concert season for the jazz band.

Hope you enjoyed all the presentations the band did this year. We had a spectacular season.

Filters – for next year's band students

We are down to about 245 on the student count and there are only 230 spots available for next year. Those students who have not passed scales will not be asked to be a part of next year's band program. We have a few students who have not met their scale requirements to be eligible for next year and I hope it happens in the next few days. The next filter falls on the parent's shoulders and is going in the minutes. Those students who have not met their financial obligations and are not current on fees will be the last filter. The currency will not supersede the scale requirement. Question: How long will you have for that because band camp always has attrition? If they paid, they don't get reimbursed. Hopefully parents will encourage the kids to stick it through. The next issue would be lower body injuries. If students can't walk they will have issues because the minimum walking distance was 6 miles while in New York.

Thank you for all you have done for the band program and I appreciate you for loaning your child to me for the hours that you do. I love them like my own and enjoy seeing their faces and your faces when we have done a good job. It's amazing how they mature and what they will become in society when they leave.

We are in for a really great year. We will get the full accolade that I think your child and every child before them deserve for the hard work they have put into the program.

Graduation is at 7:30. Students should be dressed in all black attire and in chairs by 6:30. A last minute call will be made by the administration if it rains. Four tickets were given to each senior for graduation admissions for family if it rains. The band will not play if it rains.

Come to the booster meetings in June and July. The show has not been named but looking at "From the Ashes."

Jamie Edmondson commented - This year's board has been the best and we really appreciate the work you have done even though we sometimes forget you all are just moms and dads.

There were no further questions and a motion was made to adjourn by Rick Johnsey and seconded Mike Leggett. All were in favor. None opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Next Meeting June 8, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the band room