

MHS Band Booster Meeting
Thursday, January 14, 2010

Attendees: Natalie Kerr, Jan King, Jeanna Reeves, Meg Lavoie, Cheryl Ratchford, Brian Emmett, Tina Goodnight, Damian Powell

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Band Minutes: Reviewed meeting minutes from November 12, 2009. Minutes were accepted with minor changes. There was no board meeting in December 2009.

Treasurer's Report: Cheryl Ratchford presented a budget report (attached). She noted that she still has not received charges for buses.

Director's Report:

- Pep Band will be playing at games through February.
- Winter Guard has its first competition on January 23, 2009.
- Three students made All-District Band—Bobby Emmett, Sam Carter, and Doug Poteat. Eleven Students tried out and over all the scores improved from previous years.
- Work for the musical is starting and music will be handed out this week. The first rehearsal is scheduled for January 27. John King will post the musical rehearsal schedule online.
- The bands will start working on Festival music the 1st week of February. A couple of weeks before the Festival, Natalie will bring in a couple of band directors to judge the students performance and give feedback.

Committee Reports:

Fundraisers

- Family Night at Hibachi Express brought about \$60 to the band. Possible Family Nights for the future could be Milton's or Ci-Cis Pizza
- Fundraising sale earnings to date are as follows:

	<u>Band</u>	<u>Students</u>
Poinsettia sales	\$305.65	\$1,222.60
Fruit sales	\$756.00	\$3,024.84
Candy sales	\$302.54	\$1,210.16

RBC Center

- There has been a problem with parents keeping commitments to volunteer at RBC Center which is causing problems having the necessary number of people in the concession stands.
- Possible policy for next year is a contract—if a volunteer doesn't show up or find a replacement for their spot, they will be billed for the amount of money lost if the stand doesn't meet its minimum number of volunteers.
- Meg Lavoie will research how other schools handle this problem at RBC.

Bandstand

- Jeanna Reaves asked Damian Powell if they could let the students stay at school a few minutes later in the afternoons. Administrators have been having students leave the building as soon as the bell rings and this has caused a noticeable drop in sales at Bandstand. Mr. Powell doesn't think this will be a problem and will look into it.

Old Business:

- Millbrook Marching Band received good news coverage during the Christmas Parade. One of the announcers remarked on how nice the uniforms are.

New Business:

- Natalie will get an information packet on the Festival about 6 weeks before the trip. She will get the performance schedule about 3 weeks before the Festival. The students will be performing on Saturday, April 10.
- Options for food cards, etc. were discussed for the Disney trip. No decision was made at the meeting on whether these cards would be mandatory or optional, and/if there would be a required minimum put on the cards. Also discussed possibility of using prepaid Visa cards.
- Possible sit down meal on Friday night—Planet Hollywood?
- The bands will be staying at the Marriott at Lake Buena Vista. The hotel has a breakfast buffet.
- Upcoming Events:

February 5-6	All-District Band Clinic
February 10	Band Board Meeting (Note that this is Wednesday instead of Thursday)
February 18-20	UNC-Greensboro Honors Band Clinic
February 20	Winterfest
March 13	St. Patrick's Day Parade
April 8-12	Disney World

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Minutes submitted by Jan King, Secretary