

STARR'S MILL HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTERS MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2007 MEETING

President Ann Ferree called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT- The minutes of the August 21 meeting were submitted and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Treasurer Scott Lee submitted a written treasurer's report. Band fees are still being collected. Scott summarized the expenditures listed in the report. Ann explained safeguards written into the organization's bylaws that control and protect the Booster funds from unauthorized expenditures. The treasurer's report was accepted as submitted.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT- Dr. Poor delivered the director's report. He announced the reporting time for marchers for the upcoming game at Creekside. All-State Band fees are now due. The marching band continues to learn more of the show and will be performing at the Fayette County Exhibition on September 22 and the Valhalla Competition at Northgate on September 29. Progress reports will be sent home Sept. 17.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CONCESSIONS – Chair Ken Black thanked all the volunteers who assisted in the concession stand cleanup. Workers are still needed for the first home game on September 21. The Fayette County School Board has sent electricians to make electrical improvements to the stands and a new ice machine has been acquired at a discounted price. Sign-up sheets were available at the meeting for concessions volunteers for all home games.

CHAPERONES – Chair Ellie Blalock thanked the chaperones who attended the first two games of the season. Chaperones are still needed for rehearsals in October and one chaperone is needed for the competition at Northgate. A list of interested volunteers is being compiled to chaperone the trip to North Carolina and Mr. King will approve the final selection. More information about upcoming competitions will be sent by email.

COLOR GUARD – No report.

COMMUNICATIONS – Concessions and chaperone sign-up sheets have been posted on the website. Weekly email messages are sent out every Wednesday night.

SPIRIT AND SOCIAL – Tailgating dinners will be provided for home games only and will cost \$5 per student. Chair Donna Noble outlined the procedure for students to participate in tailgating. Volunteers are needed for the dinners and also to sell panther paw fans at other school events. Volunteers are also needed to assist at the homecoming parade. Parents of 10th graders interested in assisting with the homecoming dance should contact class sponsors Julie Spencer or Marcella Sample.

FUNDRAISING – Chair Karon Wilckens requested parent volunteers from each grade level to assemble homecoming spirit chains and also to sell the links during lunch periods. 231 Butter Braids were sold with an approximate profit of \$800. They will be sold at the September 21 game. Parents need to encourage the students' participation in all band fundraisers to avoid an increase in band fees. Volunteers are needed to distribute the Butter Braids orders. Upcoming fundraisers include Chick-fil-A Spirit Night on September 13 and Moe's Night on September 27. The first Moe's night earned the band \$121 and the restaurant has offered to increase the donation percentage if the orders for the evening total over \$1000. The boosters agreed to sell Fun Shapes Pasta beginning in October. A chairperson will be needed. Coupon books will be sold at the home football games and by Boosters only.

UNIFORMS-The student show shirts are in and parent shirts are available for purchase.

NEW BUSINESS

HOMECOMING PARADE-Six parent volunteers are needed for the parade and parents with pick-up trucks are needed to carry instrument cases. Details on times TBA. Anyone interested should email Donna Noble at donnalo@aol.com.

NORTH CAROLINA TRIP – The marching band will leave Oct. 12 at 4:00 to attend the Tournament of Champions Marching Competition at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, NC. Limited adult seating on the buses will be available for parents not serving as chaperones. Students will need to bring extra money for two meals. They will be given \$5 for lunch on Sunday. Some hotel rooms in the area are on hold until Oct. 1 for parents wishing to travel to attend the competition. Contact Travel Chair Andrea Houghtaling for further information. Vice-President Rick Harrell made a motion that \$4650 be taken from the Booster's general fund to pay for the expense of the 3 charter buses needed for travel. The total cost of the buses is \$8150. \$3500 of that expense is covered by the Transportation line item in the budget. Debbie Martin seconded the motion and the motion passed. A balance of app. \$11,000 will remain in the general budget after this expenditure.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Ann reminded the parents to check their agendas and the band website for upcoming important date.
- We have received approval to purchase the equipment trailer. Keith Haskell is attempting to have the decorative stickers donated.
- Parents were asked to please visit the volunteer sign-up sheets before leaving the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.