

MCHS Band Board Meeting (Draft for Approval)

September 30, 2020

The Board meeting was called to order by Wade Rinderknecht, President, at 6:35pm.

In attendance (via Zoom):

Michael Halcovage, Dayna Carroll, Michelle DeWitt, Jessica & Rob Ostrowski, Wade Rinderknecht, Nancy Spector, Patty Terech, Kim Walker, and Liz DeMario

Meeting Minutes:

Patty Terech made a motion to approve the September 23, 2020 minutes. The motion was seconded by Dayna Carroll and the approval was passed unanimously.

President's Report:

As a follow up note to the previous meeting minutes of September 23, 2020 Wade suggested another forum of information for Band families; specifically, a Facebook page. The Board voted on establishing a separate Facebook MCHS Band page, and Michelle DeWitt offered to help with this. Mr. Halcovage stated he would link the MCHS Band Facebook page to Charms. The group discussed the Band page is to have a "page" since there can be an Administrator. Michelle D. will verify how many Administrators are allowed. Mr. Halcovage, Michelle D., Patty, and Dayna offered to be Administrators.

Budget Report:

Patty presented the Treasures' report and supplied all Board members a copy via email.

Committee Reports:

Concession – Wade reported that \$500 was brought in from the 1st football game, held on September 25, 2020. Per Wade, Athletics Coach Cowles would like to push for full capacity at the upcoming Martin Bowl, held at MCHS this year citing the state of Florida is in its final reopening phase of the Covid 19 pandemic.

Merchandise – Nothing to report.

Christmas Tree Fundraiser – Nancy reported she can get a pdf file from the tree company (in place of sales flyers to avoid the 30-day notice to have them put together). A discussion to increase the price of larger trees (10-13 feet) was agreed upon. The prices will be as follows: 10 feet (year 2019 \$115 to year 2020 \$125), 11 feet (year 2019 \$125 to year 2020 \$140), 13 feet (year 2019 \$145 to year 2020 \$180). A set-up fee of \$25 (must have in home tree stand) and a delivery fee of \$25 for the 2020 selling year will remain the same as the previous year of 2019. Orders will be due October 30, 2020 and deliveries on December 4, 2020. Patty will be working with Michelle DeWitt to offer the ability to pay on-line by offering a variety of "buttons" for different tree/wreath/centerpiece choices as well as set-up/delivery fees.

All in favor unanimously to approved 2020 price increases.

Community Involvement – Nothing to report.

Website – Nothing to report.

Volunteers – Nothing to report

Fundraising – Wade reviewed various new digital fundraising platforms as Michelle & Michael Jampol could not attend the meeting:

“SnapRaise”

- No set-up fees
- Sales Rep to assist with the program and earn larger commission
- Fundraising fee collected dependent upon sales structure we choose
- Offers customized letters from students and uses Facebook and Snapchat

“Fansraise”

- Much more labor intensive
- 15% fee

Mr. Halcovage presented Fundraise Genius

- Lower fee at 11.8% fee, otherwise platform same as Fansraise
- As labor intensive as Fansraise

All present agreed to review these platforms and table final decision until the next Booster meeting.

Sponsorships – Nothing to report (**New Chair needed**)

New Business:

Senior Night, scheduled for October 2, 2020. Michelle DeWitt ordered the flowers for the Senior Color Guard & Band students (along with their escorts) who will be honored on this traditional evening. Mr. Halcovage was asked by several parents if he would reconsider to allowing Band Seniors to wear their Marching uniforms.

Color Guard liaison, Rob Ostrowski, stated the Color Guard does not have a school themed flag to either use for practice, games, or official events. Mr. Ostrowski also stated Color Guard Coach Randi LeBlanc approves of the idea to purchase these flags. Designs and quotes for the school themed flags will be sent to Mr. Halcovage. Per Mr. Halcovage, approval from the Board for this item is unnecessary as these monies are available in the Annual budget.

Director’s Report:

Nothing new to report.

Next Meeting:

The next Board meeting will be announced at a later date. However, Wade would like to have a General meeting with the Band families via Zoom on October 7, 2020 @ 7:00pm. Michelle DeWitt suggested this meeting include the kickoff for Christmas Tree sales; all agreed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:17pm and was passed unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

Liz DeMario, Secretary

CC:

M. Halcovage

D. Carroll

B. Conkling

J. Conkling

E. DeMario

M. DeWitt

M & M. Jampol

J. Ostrowski

R. Ostrowski

W. Rinderknecht

N. Spector

K. Sykora

H. Tate

P. Terech

V. Waldbauer

K. Walker