

Muskie Band Booster Meeting –September 10, 2007 Called to order 7:00

Present: T. & K. Bower, Cooper, Heid, Banko, Ward, Cali, Hubbell, Escalante, K. Workman, 8 parents, and 1 student.

Social Committee – Cali reported: 3 new freshmen on SC.

SC meets 1st Monday of each month for 30 min. (7:00-7:30a.m.) in band room.

September 28th - Movie Night –in band room (DCI or *Drumline*) (sign-in/sign-out)

October 27th – Bonfire @ Cali residence

(Meerdink volunteered to arrange parent volunteers for food)

Treasurer's Report –Submitted by K. Ward.

Motion to accept Treas. Report – B. Escalante / 2nd- Cole

Nuthouse Update – S. Hubbell reported: Full loading dock available at the Calvary site.

All office equipment needed is currently at Hubbell's house. Nut sales will be discussed

at Oct. 1st board meeting, all order forms will be ready by then. Opening of Nuthouse to

be after the October 16th competition. Goal to operate Oct. 16h thru Dec 22nd(?)

Reminder that band students earn points by volunteering to work at the Nuthouse.

Request for parent assistance. Meerdink to request that the Calvary 'marquee' be used to

advertise the Nuthouse hours. K. Ward reported: change of the student's incentive

account from 7.5% to 5%, adjusted for inflation. Open for discussion. T. Bower presented

motion to change the incentive accounts. Passed unanimously.

Open discussion of incentive accounts, rollovers to incoming family members.

Director's Report – Submitted by J. Heid:

UPCOMING PERFORMANCES:

Thurs. 9-20 **Homecoming Parade** (+ stadium Pep Rally)

[parade route unknown at this date]

Friday 9-21 Morning **Pep Rally** and Fri. Night **Football Game**

Satur. 9-22 **Mt. Pleasant Invite** (buses to leave for event @4:00)

MHS Homecoming Dance (bus to depart Mt. Pleasant immediately following performance for those students wishing to return for the dance.

Parents are also encouraged to attend the performance and bring their student back from the event for maximum speed).

Satur. 9-29 **Cedar Rapids, Five Season Invite**. Evening performance-9:00pm

Friday 10-5 Fri. Night **Football Game**.

Band to clean stadium ("Kopf" thru end of alphabet)

Satur. 10-6 **Marching Festival – Downer's Grove, IL**

Band room opens @1:00. Rehearsal 2:00-3:00. Depart MHS @3:00.

Evening performance-8:35. Return to MHS approx. 1:00-2:00a.m.

Buses will stop to eat on outgoing and return trips.

Satur. 10-20 **All-State Auditions.**

Heid reported that the Band Handbook is nearly completed.

Volunteer Report – Class Parent update. Thanks to parents who assisted getting equipment onto the field. Need for parents to continue to volunteer for equipment duty, chaperoning, bus chaperoning.

Color Guard Update– Congratulations to the CG parent volunteers and the CG for successfully keeping within the budget as well as their successful fundraising efforts. Meerdink asked the Board for permission for CG to proceed with other fundraisers for upcoming year, so they can get ahead of the projected budget. Variety of future fundraising projects were presented to the board. The Board approved their plans, applauded their energy and T. Bower stated that the CG did not need to have approval for each individual fundraiser, but that as the CG fundraises separately they must follow the school code for appropriate behavior. Meerdink has collected the contact information for each CG student and will share that information, as well as any newsletter submissions with B. Escalante.

New Business – T. Bower announced that Evans & Pickering + 2 student assistants will be updating the webpage.

General discussion - L. Dorris fundraising idea: Have students sell minimal number of “Band Booster Business Membership” plaques to be given to the sponsoring businesses for display. Small production cost, student keeps a portion and majority is profit for the band. Possible link to the website, with multiple levels of sponsorship, consider current website sponsors.

Meerdink discussion of sales of the Muskie Booster Decals. Find out who sponsors this...they already sell CG Decals (was it picked up by the Boosters?)

Heid addressed the Band Boosters and Board concerning the amount of time that most band students spend as representatives of MHS, and not only their need to have time to be ‘students’ (such as the dismissal of their duties at game ½ time so they can attend the games as students, not band members), but the NENC recommendations that state the very same. Heid’s students are very committed to the band program and give it their all. Thanks to the band students and their parents for the great performances that we all enjoy.

Next Meeting 10/1 at 7:00pm

Meeting adjourned – 8:30 p.m.