

Mount Dora Band Boosters
Minutes of the Meeting held on
August 1, 2016
6:30 PM

Location of Meeting:

MDHS Band Room

Mount Dora, Florida

Board Members Present at Meeting:

Mr. Uhrich

Trista Spencer

Adam Ziniewicz

David White

Amy Axon

Also Present:

Kim Varnadore, Parent, Volunteer Committee Chair

Denise Hall, Parent

The regular meeting of the Mount Dora Band Boosters was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on August 1, 2016, in the MDHS bandroom by Mr. Uhrich.

Consideration of New Business

1. Band Camp Update:

- a. 8/5 at 6:00 p.m. Band Booster/Parent Meeting includes Pre-Show Performance by the Marching Band and BBQ Picnic.
 - i. Amy will call around and try to get quotes for a BBQ dinner that we can bring instead of grilling outside.
 - ii. Kim will create some volunteer and chaperone sign-up sheets that we have on hand for this event since many parents will be there.

- iii. **Each section to bring part of the dinner – Percussion Drinks, Brass Side Dishes, Woodwinds/Color Guard Desserts.**
 - iv. Amy will send reminder email to all parents.
 - v. Mr. Uhrich will try to have a calendar ready so that parents can also see important dates of events coming up.
 - vi. Both Kim and Denise are notaries so they will be on hand Friday evening to notarize any field trip forms that need it – Amy will also send an email reminder to all parents missing a notarization.
- 2. Committees:
 - a. We discussed the various committees that Mr. Uhrich feels that we will need this year including:
 - i. Volunteer Committee
 - ii. Fundraising Committee
 - iii. Concessions Committee
 - iv. Uniforms Committee
 - v. Logistics Committee
 - 1. Part of the meeting on Friday will be to again let parents know about the need for help with these important functions.
- 3. Volunteers and Chaperones:
 - a. We discussed the need for at least 4 chaperones for home football games and 7-8 for away games.
 - b. We need at least 8 volunteers for each home game to run the concession stand.
 - c. Kim will get with the director of the ROTC program at MDHS and see if any of those kids would be available to help at home football games.
 - d. Denise may also have some contacts with local probation officers that would be interested in this type of community service.
- 4. Concessions:
 - a. We agreed that if the football program is agreeable, we would give them the opportunity to sell food and drinks on the visitors' side of the field at home games. Football program to supply the food and the volunteers and keep the profits made other than a small fee to be paid to the Band for the use of our equipment. **We need to decide what this fee should be?** Band to keep concessions and all profits for the home side.
 - b. Adam and David will get the cooler we just bought recently from the visitor side and bring it over to the home side. They will also review equipment and materials so that we are ready for the first home game which is already on August 19th.
 - c. **We will need our 8 volunteers for concessions in place quickly for this game!**
 - d. We discussed that it is really not productive to pay parents for working concessions in order to apply to outstanding band fees. It is very hard to keep track of and we are not sure exactly how much was paid out and/or if it was applied correctly to student accounts. The consensus was that we will have several other fundraising opportunities throughout the year for this purpose.

- e. Adam will review getting some cheese dispensers and potentially purchasing another drinks cooler we can use instead of the soda machines that do not work.
 - f. We discussed selling the soda machines but does the Band own them or the school? Can Mr. Uhrich find out from administration?
5. Uniforms:
- a. The white bibbers that the Band owns had been lent to another high school for their use so we will be using the black uniforms that we have worn the last two years again this year.
 - b. There was a representative on hand last week at band camp to take shoe orders. Mr. Uhrich to advise how students/parents can order and how much they will be? Last year they were \$28/pair.
6. Corporate Sponsorships:
- a. We discussed trying to line up some company donations this year. Kim will find the documents that the football program used for this purpose and forward on. Mr. Uhrich to also mention at the meeting Friday night in case any parents think that their employer would be interested in becoming a corporate sponsor. **We need to decide what perks or benefits the sponsor will receive for their level of donation.** Once this has been decided, we can start soliciting.
7. Logistics:
- a. Mr. Uhrich would like to see a committee formed to schedule school and charter busses for Band events this year. There was some discussion about what was more affordable; school busses or charter. Jet Set is a company that Mr. Uhrich has used in the past that worked very well. Trista has some quotes on the use of school busses and will get back to the Board on what that costs. Charter busses do not require that we also bring an equipment trailer since instruments and equipment can be stored in the bottom cargo area of the bus.
 - b. We need a volunteer to chair this committee!
8. Middle School Opportunities:
- a. We discussed outreach to the middle school kids by our Band to further engage them and get them excited about being in Band.
 - i. Getting middle school parents involved may also help us with volunteers.
 - ii. High school Band members can probably earn community service hours by going over to the middle school to help with music and practice.
 - iii. Incorporating middle school kids into the stands performances at football games would be super fun for them and also help get them excited about being in Band.
 - iv. Middle School Night this year is October 28th. Would like to have special T-shirts for the middle schoolers and really make it a great night for them.
9. Band Booster/Parent Meetings:
- a. It was decided that we will have Parent Booster Meetings on the first Monday of each month at 6:00 with the Board Meeting immediately afterward.
 - b. If no school on a meeting day, then the meeting will be automatically rescheduled for the second Monday of that month.

10. Next Band Booster/Parent meeting to be held on August 5, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. with the marching band demonstration and dinner for all parents and students.

There being no further business, the motion to Adjourn the Meeting was made by Amy Axon, seconded by Adam Ziniewicz.