

**MCHS Band Booster Meeting  
August 1, 2013**

**APPROVED MINUTES**

Meeting called to order by President at 6:10 pm  
Secretary, Kristina Rylands, presented the minutes from the June 6, 2013 meeting.  
**MOTION** was made by Lori Norman to approve the minutes from last booster meeting as presented. Motion was seconded and passed.

**Strategic Planning Meeting**

Meeting took place at July 10 to brainstorm ideas for the coming year and projected budget. This strategic planning effort was presented at the annual Board of Directors meeting on July 12. (Refer to those approved notes.)

A summary of what was discussed is as follows:

- Funding of new uniforms, and prioritized uniform needs
- Buying band tie to look more uniform and professional at festivals
- New band t-shirts
- New simplified banner for parades
- Conductor stand for field shows
- Developed a draft "budget" for projected costs for year
- Discussed attending Heritage or Forum next spring
- Looked at possibility of doing larger our-of-town trip in 2014-2015
- Trailer and what is needed to make it more usable
- Potential for conducting adult-oriented fundraisers (i.e. golf tournament, wine tasting, etc.)
- Cleaning clinic to help students learn how to care for instruments
- Band booster student leadership positions (i.e., librarian, equipment manager, etc.)
- Creating a Band Booster scholarship to better fulfill our mission

**MOTION** was made by Karen Helms to accept the minutes from the strategic planning meeting as presented. Seconded and passed.

**Treasurer's Report**

Total of current deposits: \$500  
Total of current payables: \$1,000  
Total estimated bank balance: \$5,000  
Need to do more fundraising before we consider spending.

**MOTION** was made by Lori Norman to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion was seconded and passed.

## OLD BUSINESS

### **Communications Update**

Instrument Drive. Need to prepare campaign to public for instruments. Get them out of closets and donate for a good cause.

### **Fundraisers**

Following up on the discussion from the July 10 strategic planning meeting, the group discussed possible fundraisers. Perhaps consider doing a fall and spring event. Possibilities include the following:

Sun Mountain Gun Club did a tournament for the Yosemite High Band (skeet, trap, or sport shooting). Shooting sports may be a possibility. Provide a meal. Silent auction.

Bingo. Perhaps check with others in community to see who may have the equipment.

Beer/Wine tasting with local providers

Poker Tournament or Casino Night

Upcoming bake sales. Mariposa Playhouse will have a play in the fall.

Grant writing. Karen and Lisa will be spending time at library going through the grant website.

**Inventory.** Ray is working on an instrument inventory, documenting each item and taking pictures. Some instruments will be listed for parts. Lisa will meet with Charlotte Kelsey next month to go over the list as it stands. QUESTION: Are student instruments covered under the school's insurance policy?

Also the group discussed at length the need for a new "rental agreement" to better track those instruments loaned to students. Nearly a dozen instruments have disappeared due to students leaving school. Some come back in disrepair. Ray will get a copy of the Gottschalks rental agreement form to use as a model. Booster leadership will need to have a discussion with Aaron Rosander to discuss path forward and ability to pose consequences for those who fail to return instruments or return them in disrepair.

## NEW BUSINESS

### **Compiling a Calendar**

Kristina Rylands reminded everyone that she maintains a Google calendar that is linked to the front page of the [band website](#), noting all events.

What follows are some of the upcoming fall events:

August 12-16	Band camp, picnic on Friday 8/16 at noon
August 31	Mariposa County Fair Parade
September TBD	Show band performance for Sierra Foothill Charter
September 20	HOME Football Game
September 27	HOME Football Game
October 4	HOME Football Game
October 9	Big Fresno Fair
October 18	HOME Football Game
October 25	HOME Football Game
October 26	Selma Band Review
November 9	Golden Valley Band Review in Merced (Veteran's Day weekend)
December TBD	Fresno Christmas Parade Merry Mountain Christmas Parade

### **Possible name change**

Because we are a 501[c]3, would it be possible to change our name? Concern was raised that there has been confusion in the community about our organization as a "booster" group. We have been mixed up with the athletic boosters, academic boosters, etc. Perhaps simply publish a DBA in the paper. Continue to brainstorm possible names and bring ideas to next meeting.

### **Band shirt order form**

Need to come up with a new form for the incoming band students. Shirts, ties, fedoras, band shoes, gloves, t-shirt. Goal is to have the form completed by the first week in September. Perhaps consider preparing a band registration form that parents fill out for students at the beginning of the year.

### **End of band camp party/BBQ**

August 16, Friday @ noon. Potluck, boosters are providing hotdogs and drinks.

### **Recycle Containers**

Dick is working with the landfill folks to get containers for us to use at bake sales, football games, etc. that are specifically for recyclables.

### **Directors' Reminders & Reflections**

None

### **Next meeting will be September 5.**

**MOTION** was made by Ray Genung to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 pm  
Motion was seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted by  
Kristina Rylands  
Secretary, MCHS Band Boosters