

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. A motion was made to waive the reading of the minutes by Diann Bielefeld and seconded by Rick Giuliano – motion passed. A motion was made to waive the treasurer's report by Rick Giuliano and seconded by Diane Bielefeld - motion passed.

Directors' Report

*Mr. Roemer thanked everyone for a wonderful wet marching season. Kids had a great time. Glad to make it to State. Received a 2 rating. Not many bands that day received a 1, most received a 2 that day. The band will be performing at the Marriott in Hamilton on November 17th from 5 – 9pm. This is a benefit for a child with cancer. More information about meeting times and what is expected will be emailed home. This event is optional for the color guard. The U.S. Marine Corps band will be visiting our band to talk about band in the military. The Jazz band will perform at the Cincinnati Museum Center on Dec. 16 @ 11am. Once again the band will be asking for canned good donations for admission to the Christmas concert.

*Mrs. Duncan mentioned the bands are busy preparing for the Christmas concerts. She wants to set up a table to collect monetary donations at the concert. The money would be used to purchase percussion instruments. Bucket drumming will begin in January.

*Ms. Mills was not in attendance – No report.

Committee & Fundraiser Reports:

Meijer Rewards – Diann Bielefeld reported that the band will be receiving a check for \$116.36

Band Savings Card – Sharon Henggeler has begun contacting area merchants. The price of \$5 per card will stand.

Membership – Gwen Kohlman reported a few more members.

Fudge Sale – Diann Bielefeld & Rick Giuliano are ready to go. Fudge sale will begin on Dec. 17, end on Jan. 30, and fudge making day is Feb 9th. Diann requested \$1,000.00 startup money. A motion was made by Tammy Grenier and seconded by Gwen Kohlman – motion passed.

Split the Pot – Tammy Grenier reported that it was a rough year with rain on 4 of the 5 home games. Profit is down about \$1,000.00 this year. Total made this year was about \$1,500.00.

Chili Supper – Linda Eschenbrenner reported that profits were down slightly over last year. Profit this year was \$994.44 with the total gross income of \$2,560.00. She would like to look into buying the chili from the middle school suppliers next year to help save money. Gold Star is getting more expensive each year. Chili cheese fries sold well. Linda is asking to be reimbursed for expenses based on receipts. A motion was made by Diann to pay Linda and seconded by Rick Giuliano – motion passed.

Quad Raffle – Mary Ann Henninger reported that 805 tickets were sold for a gross total of \$8,050.00. The cost of the quad was \$5,362.00 which gave a net profit of \$2,213.00 for the band. A donation of \$475.00 was suggested as a donation directly to the band, a motion was made by Tammy Grenier to donate to the band \$475.00, seconded by Linda Eschenbrenner – motion passed. Mary Ann is looking to change the way tickets are sold next year with more incentives to purchase more tickets.

Hospitality Table –Debbie Wurzelbacher reported that everything went great.

Booster Website / Face Book / Emails – Debbie Wurzelbacher reported that there were 622 visits to the site in October (257 new visits & 365 returning visits). Facebook has 372 that “Like Us” – with an average of 1,000 views per week. Emails are at 198 recipients.

Newsletter – Debbie Wurzelbacher asked about info for December & January: Entertainment Books (no info about cost yet). Logo Mats will be sold for \$10 in hopes to sell them all. Honor Band Auditions will be held at Fairfield Middle school on Dec. 1. Honor band week will be Jan. 14 – 20th at Mason M.S. for 7th & 8th grade band / Mason High School for High School Bands. Booster leadership will change this coming spring. The boosters will be electing a new president and a new treasurer.

Spirit Wear – Debbie Wurzelbacher reported that GNS needed to be paid \$2,534.90 for the spirit wear. A motion was made by Tammy Grenier to pay GNS \$2,534.90, seconded by Gwen Kohlman – motion passed.

Old Business - Tax exempt status is taking a while. Could take more than a year to be issued a number. Gary Steelman reported that moneys could not be paid to any one member or student for tips, incentives, etc. Rules are different between product sales and gambling (quad raffle / split the pot). Gary and Mary Ann are planning on meeting with a CPA to discuss what the boosters can and cannot do.

New Business

Gary Steelman asked about paying a consultation fee to a local CPA to get advice about the non-profit status. Mary Ann suggested visiting her tax guy.

Next meeting is January 8th, 3013 @ 7pm.

Motion to adjourn was made by Tammy Grenier, seconded by Gwen Kohlman - motion passed.