

MINUTES

Marvin Ridge Band Boosters Executive Committee Meeting

January 14, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Jim Cronley at 7:03 p.m.

Motion was made to accept the minutes of the Band Booster's General Meeting of November 5, 2009 as posted on the Marvin Ridge Band Booster's Website. Motion 2nd. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Mary Carolyn Titus reports that there is a balance of \$33,038.98. This is prior to payments being made for listed line items.

The fruit sale made \$7,385.00 which was 5% over what was budgeted. So far our fundraisers have exceeded expectations. Citipass did very well, the Premiere didn't do as well as expected but that was due to weather. The Union County Band Directors told Band Boosters to keep the fees made and the judges who participated did not cash their checks.

Asst. Treasurer's Report

Denise Wahlers was not in attendance.

Secretary's Report

Dawn Fell had nothing to report.

President's Report

Jim Cronley stated that the All District Band event was this weekend. Marvin Ridge has a number of students participating. Mr. James announced that Jennifer Isenhour and the new director Devon Reed are running it. Mr. Reed will be riding the bus with the students. There will be 6 parent chaperones.

The Martin Luther King, Jr. parade has been changed from Monday to Sunday. Announcements of change have been sent out.

The next major fundraiser will be the car show on May 15th which is the same weekend as the Waxhaw Spring Festival. Jim thought this would be good because families could do both because of the close proximity of the two events.

Dinner Theater will take place on February 11th and 12th. A committee needs to be formed to serve the meals. The theater department will sell the tickets and handle the money. Band Boosters serve the meals and theater department will cut a check to us for our portion of the gate.

Bingo will be on February 4th. Winter Drumline will perform. Mary Carolyn Titus stated need for donations.

Marching Band Banquet:

Event is being planned by the band leadership. Sarah Pickhardt asked what the budget was and was told \$750.00. They have tried contacting several places for the event but have not gotten any calls back. They need a facility that is big enough for all the band members and guest.

They have a sketch of the invitation done up. There is a teacher at middle school that does catering and will provide a meal for \$6.00 a person. Mary Carolyn Titus recommended Mama Lena's who could do it for \$3.50 a person.

They will have a slide show that Paul Sheehan and 2 volunteers are coordinating with Mrs. Isenhour.

They were planning on having it on February 19th or 20th. Mr. Cook brought up that February 19th was a teacher workday so many families may have plans that weekend. Sarah stated that the leadership committee was already considering moving the event back.

Fruit Sale:

Jim stated what a wonderful job Gwen McClendon did. The leadership team unloaded the truck and even removed bad fruit from boxes before they were delivered to customers. Lots of thank yous.

Winter Drumline:

Mr. James presented the events that have occurred with winter drumline this year. The Thursday before the Holiday Break the instructors for the drumline informed Mr. James that they could not make the performance work with the number of participants that they had. Originally they thought they would have about 20 participants but because of winter athletics and academics they were down to 10 to 13 participants. The routine just couldn't be reworked with this number. Mr. James called it quits for drumline. Over the Holiday Break the instructors approached him and asked if they could bring on members from East Lincoln High School and Northwestern High School and 3 students who had already graduated. If they could do this then they could make Winter Drumline work. Also with these changes Nate could come back and also work with the drumline.

On Tuesday at the executive board meeting it was voted to approve the drumline with these changes. By doing this the drumline will move from Scholastic A division to an Independent A. The Marvin Ridge kids will pay a fee of \$250.00 and the others \$225.00. The new students will have to pay for a police records check at \$6.00 per person and the band boosters will need to purchase a \$250.00 insurance policy. Transportation will not change. Mr. James felt it was a win win situation for everyone involved.

Questions raised from the floor:

What will be cost of uniform? Mr. James state that the uniform should cost an additional \$40.00.

Will there be parent chaperones? Band Booster parents will be involved and Jan Harper will be the winter drumline parent coordinator.

What about the mat? Mat is to be finished this Sunday. Winter guard's mat is already done.

What about paperwork? The instructors will handle all of the paperwork needed.

Events Reports

Cookie Dough sale will take place at end of February. Gwen McClendon is chairing.

Ireland meeting will take place on February 19th. Jo Ellen Johnson has agreed to head this up. The events that the band will participate in are the St. Patty Day Parade and 2 Instrumental performances. Mr. James stated that this will be a very educational trip. Jim Cronley asked that everyone hold any detailed questions for Mr. Cox at the February 19th meeting.

A member asked where the Marching Band photos were that they had paid for in November. Mr. James had no idea that no one had received them. He will call and check on where they are.

New Business

Mr. James asked the Band Boosters to make a loan to the Choral Program which is trying to raise money to go to Williamsburg, Va. The loan would be in the amount of \$300.00 so that they can participate. The Choral Program will pay back money as they hold fund raisers. A vote was taken and it was agreed that the ban boosters would loan the money.

Marching Band program planning has begun for next year. The program will be finalized in the next 6 weeks. Mr. James announced that the band would participate in 2 regional competitions this year and that the executive board had approved the marching band going to Louisville, KY as well as Western Carolina.

Bill Cook was asked to include the announcement about the February 19th Ireland meeting in his Sunday night call. He agreed to do so.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Fell, Secretary