37 members & 18 guests present. Director Barry Trobaugh and all Executive Board Members were present.

General Membership Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by President Rebecca Green.

#### **Standing Reports**

#### Secretary's Report:

Motion to Dispense Reading of Minutes: Gary Rau Motion Seconded: Kayla Crowe Motion Carried with None Apposed

#### Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's report was read to the boosters. Question: How is the band doing with Amazon Smile? \$86.23 listed in our budget is from Amazon. Motion to accept reading of the report: Kayla Crowe Motion Seconded: Rob Grueling Motion Carried with None Apposed

Audio/Media: Thank you to all that helped with the Friday night show.

**<u>Chaperone</u>**: If interested in chaperoning please let us know. If the opportunity arises and we need chaperones you will be called upon.

Color Guard: No Updates.

**Concessions:** Doing well despite limited access to the band concession stand.

Equipment: No Updates.

**Fundraising:** Dairy Queen Spirit Night will be 9/21/20. 10% of proceeds go to the Band. Cookies will be the next fundraiser.

**<u>Hydration</u>**: Please have your student bring their igloo coolers every day. Students need to stay hydrated even if weather gets cooler.

Medical: No Updates.

Merchandising: New band shirts are available.

Publicity: No Updates.

**Sponsorship:** Working with Outlaw BBQ and Ford. We now offer a monthly support options. You could sign up for as little as \$5.00 a month and this would add up and help the band. Band Angel Fund is a scholarship program that would help those band students that need financial help with their band fees.

<u>Uniforms</u>: No sign out for gloves this year. Your student may no longer sign for gloves and have it added to their Charms account. If gloves are needed please send correct change of \$6.00 to purchase gloves.

<u>Volunteer Coordinator</u>: If you wish to volunteer for anything please contact Holy at volunteer@munbandcamp.com

**<u>Communications</u>**: No Updates.

## **Unfinished Business**

- Band Fees Payments are due monthly
  - Payments due each month through October.

#### **New Business**

- Looking for a new parliamentarian to assist the board.
- No mini band camp day on Fall Break.
- Rescheduling band pictures for after Fall Break.
- Budget- band fees of over \$80,000.00 are owed. Breakdown below
  - Freshmen owe over \$11,000.00
  - Sophmores owe over \$13,000.00
  - Juniors owe over \$30,000.00
  - Seniors owe over \$25,000.00
- The board will work with any parent that needs additional time to make payments. We just need communication.
- Band fees are needed to keep this organization going. Below is a breakdown of what band fees are used for.
  - o Band Camp
  - o Band camp shirts
  - o Adjunct Staff (kids are still receiving instructional training)
  - Transportation
  - Music for the marching side and the concert side
  - Field maintenance for our practice field
  - Uniforms-The band boosters own the uniforms and it is up to them for repairs or to order new uniforms.
  - Purchasing instruments and repairing instruments.
  - Competition fees
  - The Drill (we pay for the drill writer)-we paid for this years show drill but it will be used for next year due to Covid-19
  - $\circ$  Hydration
  - $\circ \quad \text{Show Shirts} \quad$
  - o Medical supplies
  - $\circ$  Website
  - Accounting needs (taxes, etc)

- Charms software
- $\circ$   $\;$  Patches your kids receive for the letterman jacket  $\;$
- Band fees were lowered to the \$400.00 due to no competitions and no transportation needed. These fees are needed to continue to operate through the end of this year.
- It took \$210,000.00 to run the band last year and the year ended early due to Covid-19.
- We stress the need for the band fees because if something doesn't change and band fees continue to be missed the upcoming band kids, freshmen, sophomores will not be able to get a big band trip. No Macy's, Pasadena, etc. Would love to have a big trip for every group of kids that comes through the band program.
- There are several ways to make payment-Communication is key.
  - We can take automatic payments over time. Stretch payments out over several months and have them taken out of your account directly.
  - Fundraisers
  - Friends of the band letter
  - o Angel fund

We as a board have been concerned for some time. Trying to come up with ideas of new ways to bring in money when Covid hit and really put stress on the situation. If we do not see an increase in band payments we may have to cut what is offered to the band student.

Band fees have to be paid. October 15<sup>th</sup> is the due date. Please work with us if you cannot pay by then.

If you know of someone that would be willing to be a sponsor please reach out to us.

## **Director Remarks**

The staff and myself are extraordinarily pleased with the progress that your children/our students have shown over the last few weeks. It has felt here, for glimpses of time, seems like normal Munford Band. That is what we have been trying to bring to this campus since April 6<sup>th</sup>. It's been such a long journey and those little snippits that we get are wonderful snapshots in time for us. And I think they are for the students. The amazing thing, your children, my students are not stupid. They are not easy to fool. They are not gullible. They know that things are different and that things are changed and that things will continue to be different and change. Yet they do not have that look or demeaner about them. They have perseverance and diligence and just the ability to be resilient. They are amazing. Friday night the band played much better than it had in previous weeks. Thank you for raising your children the way you have and thank you for lending them to me and to us on a daily basis. We are doing the very best we can.

It is very difficult to see some students 2 or 3 times a week and others everyday yet keeping everybody exactly on the same page. Hugely important because I do not want a kid to feel left out or underserved by our program. Hope you enjoyed our 911 program. It was fun to work on and thought it was very appropriate.

Motion to adjourn: Robert Vinas Motion seconded: Tina Norris Motion accepted with none opposed Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm Next meeting is October 19, 2020 @ 7pm