

Midlothian Band Boosters
General Meeting
March. 3, 2009

1st Vice-President Philip Bradley called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Minutes from the February 3rd meeting were approved as presented. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Directors' reports:

FSMS – Mr. Maxwell thanked the Band Boosters for financing the Synergy Brass master classes and concert. Middle school band students benefited from this event. There will be a pre-UIL concert on April 2 at the high school auditorium. The Beginning Band will compete at Sandy Lake on April 7. Concerts to recruit 5th graders into the band program will be held on March 10 and March 24.

WGMS – Mr. Wood reported that Walnut Grove will have a band recruiting concert on March 10. Also, high school band students will go to elementary campuses to recruit. All bands will be assigned uniforms by April 2 in preparation for UIL contest. Mr. Arroyo reported that Band Camp will be at Stephen F Austin this summer starting June 7. The cost will be \$420 and Band Boosters will subsidize part of this cost.

MHS – Mr. Doran announced these dates to remember:

- Mar. 7 – Solo/Ensemble contest in DeSoto
- Mar. 9 – Wind Ensemble recording
- Apr. 21-22 – UIL contest in Waxahachie
- Apr. 23-26 – Corpus Christi trip, cost of \$300 (\$50 deposit, \$150 due March 6, \$100 due April 13)

Mr. Doran would appreciate help from parents to reinforce with their children the importance of personal responsibility. This includes keeping up with music, instruments, times of practices, and any other band requirements. The accompanist fee for solo/ensemble contest is due. Make checks out to MHS Band and one check will be written for each accompanist.

General Reports:

Philip Bradley (1st Vice-President) extended thanks to Trish Walker for a great job with the Jazz Dinner Dance.

Old Business:

1. At the Feb. 3rd General Meeting, an amendment to Article VIII, Section 10 was presented. The old wording – **“The Band Booster organization will retain either on retainer or pro-bono, a CPA to conduct an annual audit of the Treasurer’s reports and records.”** – was changed to – **“The Band Booster organization will put in place a system for an annual internal review of the Treasurer’s reports and records to be conducted by three non-Board members.”** A motion was made and seconded to accept this amendment and was approved by the majority of members present.
2. The Executive Board held a special meeting to frame new wording for Article VIII, Section 1 that would reflect the IRS guidelines in regards to fundraising. (See attached revisions.) The Executive Board recommended the revised wording (striking the words “Band Booster” from the fourth bullet point) and the floor was open for discussion. It was the consensus of the members present that the wording should stand. Action on the revision of this amendment will be tabled until the next General Meeting, according to Article X, Section 2.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted April. 3, 2009.

Kathy Lynch, Secretary

Philip Bradley, 1st Vice-President

Midlothian Band Boosters
Revisions to Constitution and By-laws
February 21, 2009

Article VIII: Finances

Section 1: Effective 2009, Midlothian Band Boosters has applied to be treated as a qualified 501(c) 3 tax exempt organization and will therefore be required to follow certain rules established by the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”). IRS regulations require that monies earned through fundraising activities benefit all band students regardless of participation in the fundraising activity by the students and/or their parents. Therefore, Midlothian Band Boosters has implemented the following policy for volunteers (parents) who work concession shifts:

- Volunteers will be issued a Form 1099-Miscellaneous for amounts earned for concession shifts worked during the school year.
- No cash will be transferred to volunteers.
- The amounts earned will be transferred to their student’s trip account.
- Parents of graduating students or students that quit band may request the balance in their student’s account to be refunded (less any outstanding ~~Band Booster~~ fees) or contributed to Midlothian Band Boosters as a charitable contribution for amounts earned after 2008.
- Parents working in the concession stand will need to provide Midlothian Band Boosters their current address and social security number for reporting purposes in order to have monies credited to their student’s trip accounts.

Monies credited to graduating students, or students that quit band, earned prior to 2009, will be forfeited to the Midlothian Band Booster General Fund and are not eligible to be claimed as a charitable contribution. Profits from all other fundraising activities will be credited to the Band Booster General Fund to support the purposes of the organization as outlined in Article III of the Constitution and By-laws.

Midlothian Band Boosters does not give tax advice. Any questions regarding the tax treatment for amounts reported should be made to a tax advisor.