

Mansfield Band Parents Association, Inc.
Monthly Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, December 6, 2017

Attendees -

Michelle Fine, Siobhan McDonald, Jill Kearney, Susan Graf, Mary Dalton,
MaryBeth Kennedy, Kim O'Neil, Kelley Giambanco, Jackie Newcomb, Nancy
LeBlanc,
Matt McGuire, Mark Horowitz, and Eunice James-Scott

We welcome all members tonight, especially Michelle Fine who is joining us tonight for the first time.

Notes from the Treasurer

- Within the next month the marching band season will be closed.
- We have been paid 16,000 in revenues from Gillette. This included our payment from our August and September events which was a 12,000 check as well as all our additional tip money to date.
- We made \$4500.00 at the comedy show between tickets, raffles, and donations.
- We have only been paid for one restaurant night so far. We are still waiting on the other two.
- No percussion money has been spent yet.
- Color Guard was able to purchase three used sabers and saved some money on their budget.
- We had some Met life money left over; this money was used to cover some of The Big E bus expenses that the grant did not cover.
- Our MBPA taxes were paid in November for the year 2017.
- We used \$5000 of student credits for the Met Life trip

Notes from the Band Director

- Marching Band season is now finished
- Percussion practices and Concert band has started. Percussion has 33 students; color guard has 18, with 8 of those being JV.
- The High school holiday concert is on December 20th. Caroling at home on the 18th. This is when the students perform for the Jordan Jackson and Robinson schools. They

will do it 5 times before they perform for the High School on the 20th. Band, chorus, orchestra, dance, and jazz will participate. It will hopefully last around 2 hours.

- QMS concert is on December 14th. Orchestra and band will be performing.
- Home show is March 17th. There are 43 groups signed up already to perform that day.

Notes from Gillette Coordinator

- Gillette paid us additional \$671.00 that they owed us, and Mark is trying to get another \$1000.00 that is still owed to us. Mark will also be trying to get a donation from Gillette for the Home Show as well.
- Sunday December 24th we are in need of 5 more adults. As it is right now, we have 5 students signed up already so we cannot have any more student volunteers.. That is our limit of students.
- We could possibly have 2 playoff games in January. Students are supposed to be 16 and over. The Gillette Coordinator (Mark) can allow them and will accommodate them as long as they look 16 and they are accompanied by their parents.

Fundraising

- **Poinsettia fundraiser**

Mr. Lyons contacted us to see if we wanted to do this fundraiser this year. We would sell tickets to customers, who would then go to Lyons Greenhouse and pick up a plant of their choice. Tickets are \$25.00 and we would give students \$12.50 in their account. Do we want to do? Last year we sold 30 plants, to 8 families. Fill out the form attached; December 18th will be the deadline.

- **Scrip Fundraiser**

We did very well with our first Scrip order. We made almost \$400.00 from that first order that went in. When you order online it goes through a que, which then goes directly to Mary Dalton. She will be processing the orders. You can reorder or reload them online. It will cost .15 cents per family to sign up. Can we get the board's approval to add the parent's bank information on the account in case it does not go through then the MBPA will get charged? Siobhan motioned, Jill seconded, all were in favor, there were no abstentions, and it passes. Susan motioned to have this continue monthly, Siobhan seconded it, all were in favor, no abstentions, and it passes.

- **Restaurant Monthly Fundraiser**

We will be repeating the Bertucci's fundraiser once again because it was so successful last month. It will be held on Wednesday, December 13th.

Grants

- Jill Kearny did some research on some former graduates from Mansfield High School. She will be reaching out to David Korins. He graduated in 1994 and currently has a company in NYC. She is going to ask him for Hamilton tickets that we can use for raffle items for one of our events.

- The other person is David Waters who graduated in 1988. He is an assistant director, and is in movies. Can he get some raffle or donations??
- Mansfield bank will hear back on the end of January on the PA system. The Boch grant will open up the end of May. What should we ask for? We just learned that Michelle Fine's husband works for Bose. Should we ask him for the PA system instead? Maybe he can help us with something else we need.

Other Agenda Items

- Marching Band Banquet went very well. Thanks to all the volunteers who made this happen.

- **Sponsors**

Businesses will need to be divided up between all winter percussion and color guard kids evenly. Find out what businesses have already been asked. Jackie and Kelley will go through a list that they got and divide it up and give to Matt for distribution within the next couple weeks.

- Jackie is making a motion any money raised over \$100.00 for Rehearse-a-thon will be going to students account in credits. (There was talk that maybe JV would only do a half day for this event. This has not been confirmed yet).
- And...Corp sponsorship over \$100.00 students would earn 10% of the donation. Michelle Fine seconded it. The vote failed.

We tabled it till January's meeting. Mark Horowitz volunteered to have a meeting at his house to discuss how the earned money that will be raised through Home Show Ads, Sponsorships, or Rehearse-a-thon from the students will be distributed. How much will go to the band program, and how much will go to student credits. Date for this meeting has not been determined.

Next Meeting will be January 3, 2018

