**Maryville Band Booster**

**Minuted**

**April 10th at 7pm (Executive at 6:15pm)**

**Maryville High School Band Room**

1. **Welcome and Call to Order**
2. **Secretary’s Report/Approval of Last Meeting Minutes**

Minutes from the last meeting were approved.

1. **Treasurer’s Report/Approval of Treasurer’s Report:**

There were a large amount of outstanding checks. The largest one is for the new Marimba. We are starting to get overdue dues in. We have made contact with all but one parent. This includes Color Guard members who quit during or after the fall season.

1. **Directors’ Report**

Large Ensemble Festival was held at Northwest Missouri State last week. The Symphonic Band, Percussion Orchestra, Woodwind Choir and Brass Choir performed. The group ratings ranged from 1 to3. While the band program did not expect the 3 ratings it received, they are looking at it as a growth experience and moving forward.

Hy-Vee Cookie Sale kicked off on April 10th and will run through April 21st. The Director requested a couple of parents to make sure the order turned in matches the money for each order. Orders will be ready to pick-up on April 26th after school by 4pm. The group asked if we could talk to Hy-Vee about packaging as they are in a card board box to help prevent freezer burn. Mr. Wehmeyer will pass along the suggestion. If you have an issue with missing items or active items they can be taken into the local store for assistance. David Dredge volunteered to help with counting money. Kim will seek out other volunteers.

Driven to Give event is April 22nd from 10am to 2pm at the Maryville Middle School. Mr. Wehmeyer will check to see if we need parents to volunteer to ride in vehicles if so Kim will ask for volunteers. High School Band Members will be helping with signing in individuals for their test drives and post surveys. Please share Mr. Wehmeyer’s Facebook event.

The Band Banquet is April 22nd at 5pm in the High School Commons. Families are invited to attend to celebrate our successful year. This event will be a potluck dinner. A sign-up sheet for items will be available in the band room. Kim will order the cake with Senior’s names on it. Brooklyn Williams is working on the video recap for the banquet.

On April 11th, 40 high school and middle school band members will be attending leadership training in Cameron with Scott Lang.

Mr. Krug reminded everyone to check the band calendar at [www.maryvillebands.com](http://www.maryvillebands.com) for the most up-to-date band events.

Spring Band Concerts are April 23rd at the Performing Arts Center. Sixth and seventh grade will be at 3pm. Eighth grade and high school will be at 4pm.

Leadership applications are due on April 12th for those interested in being section leaders for next year. Interviews will be on April 18th.

Brass Choir will play at the Baccalaureate service on May 7th and the full band will perform for graduation on May 14.

Marching Band Parent meeting on May 9 at 6pm. Color Guard will have a session related to their section afterwards at 7pm. This will set the expectations for next year.

Ms. Mattke has become a member of a dance company. She will now be able to purchase shoes for about half price. She is also looking at costumes for next year. Cost per guard member should be a maximum of $250. Couple of dance parents suggested she check The Dance Store. The Directors are looking at reusing several flags we have already purchased.

The Executive Committee asked the group to reconsider the motion for the Color Guard from December 2015/January 2016 regarding the fundraisers that would help offset the purchase of the tarp and cart. This would allow the group to start raising funds for next year. The reason for the reconsideration is that the original fundraisers were to be two Taco John’s nights to be held in Spring and Fall 2016 to help with the costs. This year, the guard did not have a Taco John’s fundraiser and the one held in the Spring for Winter Guard was earmarked for flags purchases for the groups show. The next fundraiser would then be for them to start getting ready for next year. A motion was made and approved that the Spring 2016 and Spring 2017 Winter Guard fundraisers would take care of the offset for the flags, tarp and cart already purchased. The recommendation was approved that the Color Guard/Winter Guard’s obligation towards the tarp, cart and Winter Guard 2016 flags has been completed and they are able to start on fundraising for next year

Color guard is looking at fundraising for next year’s expenses. The Directors are also looking at standardizing fees for participation to be paid by each color guard member to help take care of some of their needs such as poles, etc. Also a summer fundraiser could be planned to help with costs. Ms. Mattke will be discussing the costs of participation in color guard with individuals trying out next week.

All band members will need to be able to pay for their items (shoes, gloves, apparel, and uniforms) needed for the fall season prior to picking up. All items must be paid for by the 1st competition. All band members and color guard members (Fall and Winter) will pay Band Booster dues.

**Band Card Update**

The Maryville Band Boosters will be creating and selling our own band card in the Fall. Todd Roush with Rapid Elite came to talk with the Boosters about how they could help. Todd talked about their new PVC products that would be suitable material for the band card. He gave bids of 1600 cards with 300 hype envelopes for $765 and 2000 with 300 hype envelopes for $952.50. Similar to this is Duracard an online company for 2000 card without the half sheet is $1400.

Recommendation was to go with Rapid Elite for several reasons. One, the company is local. Two, Boosters do not have a credit card and Rapid Elite can invoice us or we can go pay with a check. Three, if we need more cards, Rapid Elite can get them to us in about 3 days. Four, the hype sheet was included and not included with an online offer. He will also check into the possibility of numbering the cards for us. The design of the card will be a joint effort of Rapid Elite and the Boosters. Possible designs will be available by the next Band Booster meeting. It was approved that we go with Rapid Elite bid to produce the cards for the Band Card Fundraiser.

The committee also asked that we get the Boosters organization’s approval related to the actual sale of the cards. Recommendation is that Senior band members through 6th graders be eligible to sell the cards. To bundle cards in groups of ten. They could sign out 30 cards at a time. If they needed more than 30 at a time a parent could sign them out. Cards would be sold for $10each. Band members would receive $5 for each card sold to help build their individual band accounts. The Boosters would receive the rest of the profits after all expenses. This could be $3.50 to $4.50 per card. Other items we would need would be envelopes, rubber bands, labels to package the cards for the students to sell and prizes. Cards would be available for pick up on certain days in the morning before practice at the high school and the afternoon for Middle School Students. This would be a parent function of the fundraiser. This was tabled and will be taken up at a future meeting.

The committee will be working on offers next. This will be a small coordinated effort. We will be looking for 18 to 20 offers for the card. We will try to get a variety and preference will be for local businesses.

1. Election of Officers

Election of Officers will take place at the May 1st meeting. Nominations will take place one last time on May 1st prior to the vote. To date we have the following slate of officers. President—Kim Mildward, Vice-President-Brad Wallace, Treasure—Theresa Cummins, Secretary—Vacant. Anyone interested in being an officer should contact Kim Mildward or attend the May 1st meeting.

1. Next Year Preparations

Committee sign-ups will be available at the Band Banquet, the May 1st board meeting and at the May 9th parent

night meeting.

Uniforms will need to have the temporary seams taken out of the bibs before they can go to the dry cleaners. The

band trailers need to have some work done on them before next fall.

1. Budgets

January to June 2017 budget is looking good. It contains a $5,000 emergency fund. It also has all the expenses for this year. We have approximately $8000 left we can spent this year. This does not include any costs for the Fall field show. A request is expected from the Band Directors at the next meeting. As well as the priority needs is also being updated due to student levels and recent purchases.

We also took a look at next year’s budget. It is a budget that is the bare minimum. The group is trying to get to where we are raising money for the next year and not in the same year.

Reminder if you purchase from Amazon and would like to have a portion of your purchase donated to the Maryville Band Booster please use Amazon Smile and select the Maryville Band Boosters. Visit [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) to donate.

This year there will be rental fees for students who are playing school instruments. In addition, some students may be asked to purchase some items for their personal use as well. This will be discussed at the parent meeting on May 9th and at the beginning of the next school year.

1. **Adjournment-Next Meeting –May 1st at 7 pm High School Band Room**