**Monarch Band Boosters Meeting Minutes**

October 16, 2019 7:00pm Regular Meeting

Choir Room, Monarch High School, Louisville, CO

**Attendance:** Marc Gussenbauer, Michelle Gussenbauer, Andrea Haight, Chuck Haight, Kellen Hatch, Tim Johnson, Arik Klingensmith, Liz Klingensmith, Libby Locker, Andy Meseck, Laura Nevitt, Brenda Weissmann, Paul Weissmann

**Prior Business:**

**-*Minutes Approved from August Meeting –*** The September 11th Meeting Minutes were approved – Tim Johnson motioned, Libby Locker seconded.

**-*Review Key Action Items***

***–*** *2020 Positions and Vacancies* – The President, Communications Director and Marching Band Parent Representative Executive Positions will be open next year. The Scrip and Tag Day Coordinator Positions are also vacant, along with Volunteer, Sponsorship and possibly Uniform Coordinators. Andy asked everyone to start thinking about nominees for these roles. We currently need a Concert Band and Jazz Band Representative to assist with ticketing during concerts.

***–*** *Tires on Rig Trailer* – Chuck Haight discussed the problem with the tires on the large trailer – the treads are close to being out of compliance and risk not passing inspection. The retreads and mounting will be @ $1,300.00. Chuck will get more quotes on retreads and replacements and talk to the head BVSD mechanic.

**\***Paul Weissmann made a motion to designate $2,000.00 for the tire maintenance, Andrea Haight seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

**Executive Reports:**

***President –*** Andy covered the vacancies opening in 2020 and reminded everyone to be prepared with nominations by the March meeting.

***Vice President –*** Tim gave the floor to Chuck Haight to discuss the trailer tires.

***Treasurer –*** The Festival profit of $17,000.00 will be closer to $15,000.00 once the remaining receipts are turned in and startup cash is returned. Tag Day profit is @ $25,000.00 including the donations from Beyond Tag Day and an estimation of the CO Gives funds. We have about a month to market the Colorado Gives Day and prepare the campaign for early December. Andrea and Andy will work with Mr. Stephen to come up with campaign specifics. The profit from the Peach Sale ended up at $2,600.00 after costs. We are still waiting for payments to come in for the Disney Trip – likely @ $60,000.00.

***Communications Director –*** Brenda has sent in the Senior ad for the State program and worked with Beth who is compiling the Senior Night program to get information to the parents of seniors to place individual ads.

***Director –***

**Fundraiser Chair Reports:**

***Scrip –***

***Tag Day –***

***Peach Sale –***

**Current Ensemble and Representative Reports:**

***Concert Band –*** Need new Rep

***Jazz Band –*** Need new Rep

***Indoor Percussion –*** Gussenbauers – Indoor Percussion is having an informal meeting on October 27th at 3:00pm at the Gussenbauers’ home. MIP would like to have their information added to the band calendar.

***Color Guard/Winter Guard –*** Rachel Nussbaum – The first meeting for Winter Guard is October 23rd at 5:00pm in the choir room.

***Marching Band –*** Libby Locker – Libby will have the sign up for State live over the weekend after all the Regional competitions are completed. It is going to be more difficult to get volunteers due to it being on a weekday. Ideally, we need 15 volunteers for pit pushing, and 12 for props. Arik will send the names he already has for pit so Libby can populate the sign up. Yvette will need people to pick up uniforms on Saturday for washing. The band banquet will be held November 19th. Mr. Stephen and student leadership have been discussing the details. The banquet will be held at the school and will be a potluck like it has been. Section leaders will have a limited time to introduce the members of their section, and carnations will be handed out to the parent volunteers. The section leaders will oversee decorations, and Libby will purchase themed cupcakes.

***Marching Festival –*** Paul Weissmann – We will use Mr. Stephen’s iPads at concessions next year. There was some concern about the use of plastic cups, so we will try to get compostable cups donated from Eco-Cycle once the remaining supply is used up.

**New Business - Updates and Discussion:**

- *Communication with Parents –* Libby shared that some parents feel the amount of emails sent are cumbersome and they would prefer to receive texts. There needs to be a balance between the amount of emails and the need to disseminate detailed and consistent information. We can consider creating a parent communication section on the website – although many people don’t seem to be accessing information that is already posted that way. We will continue discussion about a streamlined and consistent plan.

- *Venmo Account Proposal –* Andrea explained that this is currently not an option for us as they do not have a nonprofit portal. Additionally, the account must be linked to a person, and we have too much turnover to make that feasible.

- *Fundraising Proposals* *–* Some fundraising ideas discussed were: running a Middle School Summer Band Camp for a week at the High School – this is done by other sports teams, and we could model it in a similar way, hosting 8th graders and run by the band students; coffee sales – we would make about $6.00 profit per bag, and it is something consistently purchased – we would have to make sure it does not interfere with the coffee sales at Centaurus; silent disco – Andy spoke with Tilt and their adult night raised @ $1,000.00, there is also a 16 and up event.

- *Mandatory Participation –* Concerns that we will lose students, and that this will effect dues, fundraising, etc.

Libby Locker made a motion to adjourn, Chuck Haight seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm.