

Band Auxiliary Agenda

October 17, 2023

Call to order at 7:05 pm

Approve Minutes from September meeting – Duana Moved to approve the minutes as posted on the website. Alex Tanner seconded, motion passed.

Sarah Yokum - Treasurer's Report

Report through September. Band Spectacular information will be in the October report. There is nothing outstanding on the report. Spaghetti Dinner profited approximately \$4000. Started getting deposits for stadium seats so that will be updated. Donations from stadium seats are kept separate and are listed in DONATIONS. Concessions also has a donations jar. Paul (in charge of stadium seats) tells volunteers to keep donations separate for stadium seats. Designate one person to keep the donations. If someone says “keep the change” with a \$20, you must make the change and put the \$5 in a separate pocket.

Alex Tanner moved to accept the September treasurer's report. Kim Roff seconded, motion passed.

Jennifer Thompson - President's Report

October 20th – 5:15 pm Call time – WVU Homecoming parade – starts at 6 pm. MHS is in the middle of the parade .

October 24th - Mall Food Court Spirit Night

Oct. 27th - Mohawk Bowl, 5:45 pm call time. Buses arrive at 6 pm so you cannot come up Edgewood at that point. Game kicks off at 7:30 pm. Sign out sheets must be returned by Tuesday. Plan is to run the full show at halftime. Band will stay for the entire game. We will provide bagged sandwich meal. Students will not be allowed to go to concessions.

Nov. 3rd Senior Night Football game – Post game show

Nov. 8th – Wind Ensemble “practice” for Spirit of America – 3-6 pm –

Must have dresses hemmed. \$20. Massulo's can do the alterations quickly.

Nov. 9th

Veterans Day Parade 5 pm call time. Wind Ensemble members walk back to the Met at the end of the parade.

Spirit of America Concert at the Met – 7:30 pm – Veteran's and MHS Students get in free. Patron passes accepted, otherwise \$5 per person.

Nov. 11th - Elimination Dinner

November 14th - Devino's Pizza - 200 Hornbeck Road (near Walmart) Spirit Night

Dec. 8th - Star City Christmas Parade – Parent drop – St. Mary's parking lot

Dec. 9th - Winter Concert - 9 am at MHS Gym – Call time 8:15 am band uniform except Wind Ensemble wears their black.

Dec. 11th - Christmas Parade

Committee Reports

Alex Tanner

Discount Deck arrival - each member should sell 2 decks – Made \$3550 from sponsors, \$3380 to purchase decks. Now every deck we sell goes to profit. Oct. 20th – presale teaser. – Oct. 25th presale Live -\$25 which is \$5 cheaper than Nov. 1st \$30 per deck. Set up a table from 3-6 pm on November 1st to pick up presale. November 2nd during practice 3-4:30 pm, Nov. 3rd decks at Merchandise table. Key – hit the Alumni, pad the deck with historic photos. Keith Reed Easter Egg photo in every deck.

Next Spirit Night

October 24th - Mall Food Court – 4-7 pm MUST HAVE FLYER – Proceeds

November 14th - Devino's Pizza - 200 Hornbeck Road (near Walmart) – NO FLYER – dine in or take out.

Need a place for December.

Made \$600 from Black Bear

Spirit Nights are really focused on getting community members to attend with flyers (or not). There is not EXPECTATION that band families HAVE TO go to purchase

Trip in spring 2025 and we want to raise \$100,000 so it is affordable for everyone.

Fundraising Committee – looking for parents to be on the committee – Everything will be through one committee to do EVERYTHING patron ads, dinners, elimination dinners, discount decks...

Email Alex Tanner at alex@alexthedj.com

Staci Thornsby - Elimination Dinner - November 11th –

Sold 96 tickets so far. Covers the cost of food. MUST SELL the remainder of the tickets. Need more items for raffles/silent auction. Feel free to reach out to businesses yourselves if you know someone.

Section leaders should be getting information out, parents volunteers can help sections.

Section Basket Themes

- Trumpets – All Things WVU
- Percussion – Game Night
- M&Ms – Spa
- Trombones/Baritones/Tubas – Best of Morgantown
- Clarinets – Movie Night
- Flutes – All Things Made in WV
- Altos/Tenors/Mellos – Pet lovers
- Parent Auxiliary – Book Lovers

Lori May – Band Spectacular

Thank you to all parents for volunteers

Lots to learn about hosting the event at MHS.

Bands got in and out quickly and smoothly. Band guides worked well.

Band photos will be great, so look for them.

Beautiful night/weather

Concern with the shuttles. Next year it will be on a Saturday. Many bands couldn't come because school night.

Kudos to Beth for concessions and selling out and going to restock for Friday.

Directors Report

If there is a home playoff game – top 8 are home games. At least one or two home games. The band will play if we are HOME. If away, we will most likely NOT go. Possibly have Friday or Saturday game. Could be the same day as the Elimination Dinner

Advanced Jazz band invited to play Sat. Nov. 11th for the National Christmas tree coming through Operation Welcome Home asked for Band play – Morning of Nov. 11th

We still need parents to volunteer for Nov. 3rd Concessions. Plus with the playoff games.

From the inquiry cycle, the least important thing was the “parents forced me”. Improve talent, make friends, etc.

OTHER BUSINESS

Adria Gregg – event that was in the past but no longer a part.

Band dance through 2014-2015. Then there was a huge decline with 30 or less kids. Used to be VERY formal, appetizers and they could have a PLUS 1 that had to pay to attend.

Some parents want to head that up. Have a facility that holds 300 for \$80. 4H facility

To attend – Had to be stadium seat install and attend the WVU game.

Next Meeting - November 28th - NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

Alex Tanner moved to adjourn.