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MBPA News & Notes



Future Meeting Dates

June 24, 2009
July 29, 2009
August 26, 2009
September 30, 2009
October 28, 2009
November 24, 2009 Tentative

June 23	Drum line 11:00am – 2:00PM
June 24	Scrip pick up
June 29	Drum Majors/Squad Head Tryouts 9-10 GYM 6:30 Pm
July 7	Drum line 11:00am- 2:00PM
July 9	Drum line 11:00 am -2:00PM
July 13	Senior Rookie practice 5:30 -7:30PM
July 14	Drum line 11:00 Am – 2:00 PM
July 15	Senior Rookie practice 5:30 -7:30PM
July 16	Woodwind Sectional 5:30 -7:00PM
July 20	Senior Rookie practice – 5:30 – 7:00PM
July 21	Drum line 11:00AM -2:00 PM
July 22	Senior Rookie Practice – 5:30 -7:30PM
July 23	Drum Line 11:00 -2:00 PM
July 23	Brass Sectional – 5:30 – 7:00 PM
July 27-31	Pre- Band Camp DEW 8:00AM – 2:00PM

Marching Band Calendar

The calendar of all events for the Marching Band will now be the calendar on the Marching Band website.

www.montourband.org. Right click on the calendar and select the print option to print the calendar.

Email Address Changes

Be sure to send an email to mbpapres@comcast.net if you did not get this newsletter via email or if your email address changes so that you can continue to get email notices from MBPA.

Montour Band Parents Meeting Agenda

May 27, 2009

Call to Order: - Hank Majewski -

Sign in

Chaperone Clearances

50/50 Sales – _____ Jean Marmura

Recording Secretary's Report: - Collette

Dukewich

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Chris

Weismann

Treasurer's Report: - Richard Mason

Band Director's Report: - Cyndi Mancini

Committee Reports:

- Band Camp Trudy Mazzotta
- Pre Band Camp Linda Arlet
- Scrip Report Lisa Ligouri
- Hoagie Sale Nancy Maslakowski
- Old Business
- New Business
- 50/50 Drawing Jean Marmura
- Adjournment Sheila Petticord

HOAGIES:

Karrie Schott (412-264-3552) and Nancy Maslakowski. (412-787-5068).

New Dates to be determined

For Future Orders

Please drop off your order Forms at:

**Karrie Schott
615 Flynn Dr
Coraopolis PA**

Nancy Maslakowski

140 William Dr

Coraopolis PA

The new price will be \$5:50.

\$1.60 going to Student account.

.50 goes to the General Fund.

Hoagie Sale Results June 2009

Student Account Profit 843 hoagies @

\$1.65= \$1,390.95

(30 Band Members Participated)

General Account Profit 843 hoagies @ .50 =

\$ 421.50

Total profit from hoagie sale \$1812.45

Need to add Funds to your student account.

Why not sell Hoagies!

Band Camp

Packets were passed out at the May meeting and those not picked up were mailed. If you have not received a packet please contact Trudy or Craig ASAP!

Forms and full payment are due June 26th!

Please remember, Pre-camp, leaving/arriving for SRU and the Friday night parent show will all be held at DEW.

We are still in need of chaperones for band camp. Chaperones do not pay!!

Where else can you get a **free** vacation with all meals included, entertainment, activities and yes, we'll even provide transportation!!! .

There are 10 women and 3 men still needed to Chaperone Band Camp. ASAP.

Please see Trudy or Craig to sign up now!

If you are planning to Chaperone Band Camp this year please contact Trudy Mazzotta email mazzottat@comcast.net phone 412-331-5534 or Craig Cannella email cannellac@comcast.net phone 412-788-1338.

Band Camp Chairman Assistant:

Important:

Needed:

1. 2 Co- Chairperson for Band Camp
Chaperones -
Band Camp Chair person -
Contact Trudy Mazzota –
mazzottat@comcast.net

This is a training position. The first year all you do is help the camp chairman and observe what is happening. The next summer you are the Band Camp chairman. Band camp cannot take place without these people. Much help is always available to help out at band camp, but we need a leader. Please volunteer to fill this important position by contacting Trudy Mazzotta or Craig Cannella.

Junior Class Committee:

Junior Class Committee will be in charge of the Pre-Camp Concessions. We are asking for Donations as per the following:

Senior Class – Gatorade/PowerAde
Sophomore Class – Water/POP
Junior Class - Snack Items/ Concession items
Freshman Class – Snack Items – Chips, pretzels, Rice Crispy Treats, cookies and veggies. All items need to be individually wrapped.

Cash donations will also be accepted.

We will be selling Hot Dogs and Nachos and other items to be determined.

Call Linda Arlet at 412-331-3602 or Helen Majewski 412-771-1872.

If all the Junior parents would please stay for a short meeting after the membership meeting to discuss the Junior class responsibilities for the coming year.

Picnic

A special Thanks to Pam and John Lynn for helping with the picnic. Also Thanks to Dennis Boyle, Stan Stavish, Jim Leja and Maureen Luzik. Over all the picnic was a success, we hope every one had a good time and are planning to have one again next year. Any ideas or suggestions will be appreciated. Thanks to Vince Carlini for the great cake it was AWESOME!!

SCRIP:

The May SCRIP campaign resulted in total sales of \$10,980 for a profit of \$543.85 with 70% going to student accounts, 25% going to the general account, and 5% going to the scholarship account. Thanks to all who participated.

For July, the split will remain the same. The costs and split will continue to be reviewed regularly and will be announced at the beginning of each new monthly campaign.

ADVISORY: Please be advised JCPenney gift cards will no longer be accepted as payment on your JCPenney charge account.

SCRIP is a good way to earn money for band camp, the spring trip, as well as other student expenses like the band banquet and the band highlight video while buying only the same items that you already do! Keep in mind that local items are available most of the time, so if you are going shopping anyway, call to make sure we are home and stop by on the way. Band events and other school functions are also a good time to connect and get Scrip. Local item include:

Shop 'n Save	\$25/\$50/\$100
Giant Eagle	\$25/\$50/\$100
Kohl's	\$10/\$25/\$50/\$100
Macy's	\$25
Wal-Mart	\$25/\$100
Applebee's	\$25
Bob Evans	\$10
Cracker Barrel	\$10
Eat 'n Park	\$10/\$25

Please remember to use new forms and merchant's lists each month because the information changes. They are available at the

MBPA meeting and from the MBPA web site. Mark your calendars with the dates below and thanks for supporting this program.

Order by:	Pick up on:
7/21	7/29
8/18	8/26
9/22	9/30

Please return orders directly to Lisa Ligouri's house (3007 Timbercreek Dr, McKees Rocks) by 5:00 P.M. on the order date. **DO NOT use the band box for SCRIP.** I can be reached at lligouri@comcast.net or at 412-771-2649.

Market Day

Please contact Bernadette Ferry if you have a need for more information. (412) 747-0792.

Remember you can order your Market Day items directly via the internet at www.MarketDay.com.

Order due by: June 2, 2009.

Pick up date: June 8, 2009.

Remember 10 percent of your order amount is credited to your students account. If someone is ordering on your child's behalf, please notify Bernadette, so that she can credit your account correctly.

Also remember that help is always needed and appreciated to unload the truck and organize the orders on pickup day, Thanks in advance for your help.

Please do NOT arrive prior to 4:30 to pick up your order unless you are willing to help. **Help is needed to unload the truck, unpack the boxes and sort out the orders. Many hands will make this process go quickly, please volunteer.** The truck shows up around 3:30.

Committee Sign Up:

All sign up sheet are on the table to be reviewed. We need as many volunteers to sign up for the committee's for the organization to be a success. Please sign up it is a great opportunity to meet new people.

Chaperones:

Bob Mamurra – Chairperson
Elisa Condeluci – Co- Chairperson
Susan White - Co – Chairperson

Chaperones are always needed please sign up.

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General Membership Meeting

May 27, 2009

Officers Present: Hank Majewski (President), Maureen Luzik (Vice President), Rich Mason (Treasurer), Chris Weismann (Corresponding Secretary) and Collette Dukewich (Recording Secretary)

Others Present: Cyndi Mancini, Band Director

Call to order: The meeting was held in the Montour High School cafeteria. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:10 PM. Approximately 42 members were in attendance.

BAND DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Ms. Mancini

- The Pirate game was a good time for all. We are hoping to do it again next year.
- Would like to see better attendance at the Memorial Day parade in the future. Feel it is one of the most important parades that we do.
- The calendar for next year was updated with as many dates that were known at the time.
- Sorry that I was not present at the Awards assembly to present the band scholarship award. Congratulations to our winners, Cindy Carr and Adam Krempasky.
- Any students who would like to apply for section leader should return the form that will be sent in an email.
- Drum Major and squad girl head tryouts will be held on June 29th.
- Senior/rookie night is a chance for the new members to get a headstart on some of the things they will learn at band camp.
- Summer drumline practices are on the calendar.
- There will be 2 sectional practices prior to pre-camp. July 16th will be a woodwind practice and July 23rd will be a brass practice.
- August 1st will be a pool party at Robinson pool, for students only.
- August 28th is a scrimmage game. The band will not be performing so this is our chance to sit in the stands.
- September 11th at Highlands is our first game.
- Would like to have our post band camp performance at 6:30 p.m. on August 7th when we return from camp.
- Our motto for this year is: Work hard, play hard.
- Music will include Michael Jackson and Styx.
- We are hoping to have just as much fun this year as we did last year.

PRESIDENT – Hank Majewski

- Thanked everyone for coming and reminded everyone to sign in.
- Band camp packets are available for pickup on the sign-in table. Also available are packets for the band festival booklet ads.

- This is Bob Marmura's last year as chaperone chairperson. We need someone to work with him this year and take over as chairperson next year.
- The picnic will be on May 31st starting at 1:00. Drinks can be dropped off at our house or brought to the picnic.
- We will be there at 10:30 to set up.
- The cafeteria will be closed from June 8th through August 17th.
- The June and July meetings will be held in the 9/10 gym.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Maureen Luzik

- No report.

RECORDING SECRETARY: Collette Dukewich

- Minutes from the April 29, 2009 General Membership meeting are available for review with the newsletter. Sheila Petticord moved to accept the minutes from the April General Membership Meeting. Tina Harper seconded the motion. The motion to accept the minutes was unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Chris Weismann

- No report.

TREASURER: Rich Mason

- Rich reported the bank balances as follows:
 - General Account - \$4,496.98
 - Truck Lottery Checking Account - \$9,009.96
 - Scrip Account - \$1,927.10
 - Savings Truck CD - \$15,747.26
 - Student Accounts – \$22,286.75
 - Scholarship Account - \$2,182.75
 - Petty Cash - \$24.50
- Student account balances are current.
- Sixteen letters were sent out to people who were no longer in the band but still had money in their student accounts. They were given 2 weeks to respond concerning the distribution of their funds. Seven letters were sent back with instructions on where to transfer their funds. \$335.95 went to the Scholarship account, and \$41.91 went to the General account. Nine people failed to respond so this money was transferred to the Scholarship account in the amount of \$2,750.07.
- Tina Harper made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Mary Lynn Ocvirk seconded the motion. The motion to accept the Treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

50/50 Raffle – Jean Marmura

- Jean collected \$48 for the 50/50 drawing.
- \$24 went to the winner, Tammy Cybator.

Chaperones – Bob Marmura

- We need people to help with chaperones and be a committee chairperson.
- Freshmen parents need to step up.
- Need clearances to chaperone according to Montour School District rules.
- It takes 6 weeks for the clearances to come back. We have forms for the clearances.
- We need chaperones for 10 football games, band camp, and various parades.

Market Day – Hank Majewski

- Orders are due by June 2nd. Pickup is June 8th.

Scrip – Lisa Ligouri

- April Scrip sales were \$22,275 for a profit of \$1,135.
- JC Penney scrip cards can no longer be used to pay on your charge.
- For June, the orders are due June 11th because of vacation. There will not be any local scrip available the week of June 13th through June 20th.

Hoagies- Nancy Maslakowski

- The next hoagie sale will be in June. Pickup will be June 17th in the parking lot. Profits will be in your student account in time for the band camp payment.
- Orders can be dropped off at Karrie's – 615 Flynn or Nancy's – 140 William Drive.
- Might change dates for next year.

Band Camp – Trudy Mazzotta/Craig Cannella

- The cost of band camp is \$305. \$295 for each additional sibling. Please mail forms with your payment to Trudy by June 26th.
- Payment for band camp can be deducted from your student account.
- We have a sign-up sheet for chaperones.
- We need help with check-in on the day we leave for camp. We also need help with loading and unloading the buses.
- The band will leave from DEW on Sunday and return to DEW on Friday night for the performance.
- We still need a co-chair to learn and take over for next year. This person does need to come to band camp to see what goes on.
- Would like to train someone to handle band camp room assignments.
- Please don't send too many snacks with your student.
- Room assignments will be handled at pre-camp. The students will need to see Trudy in groups of 2 to set up their room assignments.
- For senior night at band camp, we need the Junior class to form a committee to plan senior night.

Band Festival Ads – Judi Boeltz

- Judi Boeltz will take over the band festival ads. Donna Bartel will co-chair.

Bylaws – Chuck Bartel and JoAnn Pasquarelli

- We will discuss the proposed changes to the bylaws and vote on these changes. The sheet outlining the changes is available for reference. A copy of this sheet was also handed out at the last meeting.
- The bylaws requirements for changes and voting are contained in Article 16. Please raise your hand if you are a member of the MBPA. A count will be taken to verify the number of members present. A 2/3 majority is needed for the changes to pass. There are 43 members present.
- We will have some level of discussion and questions can be asked for clarification.
- You can vote yes to all changes or no to all changes. You can also make an individual vote on each change.
- Please refer to the sheet titled "Proposed Amendments for the MBPA Bylaws 4-29-09".
- The first change deals with funds left in a student account. How long should funds be left in a student's account after they have left the marching band before they are transferred to a sibling? This deals with some of the really old accounts that are on the books. By default, any funds not designated to be transferred will be transferred to the scholarship account. A parent must inform the MBPA about the transfer of funds to the sibling account.
- The next change deals with the timing of elections. After discussion with Hank, it was noted that the timing of elections and when the new officers take office occurs at a very busy time for the MBPA.

The idea is to change the timing of the elections and when the new officers take office. There are six amendments that relate to this change. If you vote yes to the first change, you should vote yes to the remaining changes.

- The next addition to the bylaws deals with clearances for chaperones. This information was taken from the Montour School District website Rules and Regulations. There are 2 amendments here that should go together.
- Please cast your vote.
- All amendments to the Bylaws were unanimously approved by vote through preliminary and final counts.

Scholarships – Adam Krempasky and Cindy Carr

- Cindy Carr thanked the MBPA for her scholarship award. Thank you to Mrs. Wills for all her hard work in organizing the scholarship awards.
- Adam thanked the band staff and the parents for his scholarship award. Band was a really good experience and was the best 4 years of my life. Thank you to Mrs. Wills for all you did

OLD BUSINESS:

- None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- None.

ADJOURNMENT

- Sheila Petticord made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Tina Harper seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00PM.

The next General Membership Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 24, 2009 at 7:00 PM.

SUBMITTED BY 2008-2009 RECORDING SECRETARY, Collette Dukewich

