

**EMHS Band Executive Board Meeting  
October 5, 2009**

**Present:** Susan Stephenson, Drew Taylor, Tracey Garrett, Tracey Romano, April Orgren, Ron Griffin, Joni Kellogg, Anita Haftman, Janet Anderson

**Absent:** Mrs. Feroli

**Call to Order:** 7:10 pm by Susan Stephenson

**Minutes Read:**

Copies of minutes were distributed and read.

Motion to approve: Drew Taylor

2<sup>nd</sup> motion: Tracey Garrett

Minutes were unanimously approved.

**Director's Report:** none

**Officers' Reports:**

**President:**

Susan brought up the subject of good sportmanship in the stands at contests. She commented that other people notice what we say and do. She stressed the importance of a positive demeanor and of setting a good example to our students and other parents. We should refrain from negative comments and support all bands in a competition.

Drew Taylor mentioned his contact person at Santa Fe High School had given him a copy of their "Parents Code of Conduct." It is signed by every band parent. The members looked it over and discussed the possibility of having one of our own.

**Vice President:**

Concerning the UCO concessions, Drew recently met with UCO officials and the Santa Fe contact person to discuss the recent changes requested by UCO. They have suggested the addition of parent volunteers numbers from 24 to 44, working all four stands during games, and increasing working hours to cover for the setup and cleanup of each stand. Both high schools are not pleased with the proposed changes. The percentage profit earned (15%) would remain the same even though we would be doing the majority of the work. Mr. Dela Garza and Mrs. Feroli both support our decision to not accept the new changes. There is some concern about damaging our future relationship with UCO if we do not adhere to their proposal. We have no official contract with them, only a verbal agreement. In the past, other changes have been made and we have had to comply to continue our relationship.

**Secretary:** none

**Treasurer:**

April distributed the Balance Sheet as of October 5, 2009.

Motion to approve: Drew Taylor

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Joni Kellogg

Financial reports were unanimously approved.

**Ways and Means:**

Joni has been in contact with TLC about the fall fundraiser. They will issue Edmond Memorial gift cards for \$25. Each card can be used to purchase a holiday wreath. We will receive \$7.50 for each card sold.

The new white long sleeve tshirts will be available for \$20 at the Broken Arrow Invitational and any following gatherings. She will pick the order up on Friday.

Joni mentioned a recent incident at Cici's when a parent became upset because they were not allowed to come into the restaurant without paying. Everyone that enters Cici's must pay \$6, regardless if they eat or not. This is Cici's policy, not ours.

Mrs. Feroli gave her approval to have the spirit trailer at the Broken Arrow Invitational. Any unsold hoodies will be available for purchase that day.

**Publicity:**

Ron informed the board that Memorial's official school coordinator for publicity is Earl Kirkpatrick, assistant principal. He handles communication for all the school in dealings with the Edmond Sun and The Oklahoman. Ron is also working with Kary Higdon on utilization of the school marque and Channel 18 school information.

**Scholarship:**

Tracey Garrett reported earnings of \$1,968.32 at the recent "Battle of the Bands" car wash at Bob Howard Dodge. Additional raffle ticket sales totaled \$370. This amount will be used for our upcoming scholarships offered to seniors.

Drew commented on the great work from everyone at the car wash. Because of all the planning involved, he suggested trying to set the date earlier for next year. Any details worked out in advance would only add to our profitability and success next year.

Janet and April discussed the possibility of setting up an endowment fund for future scholarships. The endowment would be set up and funded through alumni donations. A small deposit would be made to begin the fund and then it be allowed to build. The board was favorable to this recommendation.

**Color Guard Liason:**

Anita stated that the new Color Guard performance pants have a manufacturer's defect in the material. This was discovered when it was noticed that the metallic material was fading and peeling once it was worn. The company has furnished us with new custom grade fabric to replace the old material. The seamstress is currently sewing the new pants. Half will be completed this week, the rest next week. We will be compensated for the additional work. Because it was a manufacturer's defect, Susan suggested Anita look into having the company reimburse the band for the extra money spent on the outfits.

Marsha Dean will be paid for making all of this year's flag for the guard.

**Unfinished Business:**

Senior Night – Will be at the October 30<sup>th</sup> home game against Edmond North. Mrs. Feroli is furnishing Drew and Sharla with a list of the seniors from both band and Color Guard. The senior memory book template has been made available. This is a gift for the seniors. Mrs. Feroli will be communicating needs for the event to the seniors. We are unsure who will be taking pictures the night of the event.

Candlelight – Will be Thursday evening, October 29<sup>th</sup> in the school band room following practice. Section pictures will be given out that night. The executive board will serve cake outside the event. A suggestion was made at the possibility of having cupcakes rather than cake. Joni Kellogg will call Sam's for price quotes.

**New Business:**

A band parent recently suggested having a "Freshman Parent Representative" to handle all the issues involved with the band. There was also a suggestion of having a sophomore or junior parent serve as a "Section Parent." These positions could attend board meetings and report back to parents any news that pertained to their group.

Concessions – This subject was covered in the Vice President section of the minutes.

Next meeting will be November 2, 2009 at the home of Joni Kellogg, 3817 Jim Robison.

Adjournment by Susan Stephenson at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tracey Romano