

Meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm by D Martin.

It was noted that the last meeting's minutes were posted to the Oak Grove Band website. Brooke Hamby made a motion to accept those minutes, Tonya Tanner-Cecil seconded the motion.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Tonya Tanner-Cecil, Treasurer

We currently have a balance of \$30,680.77 in the account. This includes money from the concession stand (\$4500 – no expenses taken out of this amount), Kona Ice (\$475), \$545 donated from the concerts and additional donations (\$4200). \$17,000 in band fees have been paid and we have around \$7000 in outstanding fees from this year and last year. Parents who still owe fees will be mailed and emailed a statement from Mr. Howell. As a side note, the card reader for the concession stand was set up and has been a success.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Fundraising – Brooke Hamby, Fundraising Director
 - a. Fruit Sale – Materials have gone home with students. Have received \$780 in online sales already. Amended the prize structure to be \$25 gift card for the top seller in each grade and \$100 gift card for the top seller overall. If a student sells over five boxes a portion of their sales can go to their band fees.
 - b. We're going to start trying to make the fundraisers "goal oriented" not just for the general fund. First goal may be for a tower for marching practice so Mr. Howell and Mr. Liner can get a better view.
 - c. Dewey's Store – Jon Hamby will man and oversee the running of the store. There are issues with getting a location due to new management of the shopping center we were in last year and others in the area. We have been told that if they let us have a spot but then they get someone interested in being a tenant while we are there, they will kick us out. So, Brooke is looking at a different location in the Oliver's Crossing (Lowes Foods) Shopping Center on Highway 150.
 - d. Spring – We will be doing the butter braid/cookie dough fundraiser again in the spring.
 - e. On a personal note, Brooke mentioned how disappointed she was in the general student body who attended last week's away game at Ledford and how they treated our band (booing them while they performed) and the band parents (telling them to move or they would intentionally get powder on them from the powder canons they use at the games). She has plans to reach out to Mr. Dalton regarding this.
- B. Transportation – Joe Rose & Phil McManus
 - a. All is well for this Saturday with drivers
 - b. We will need to get new tires for the trailer soon. One had to be replaced after last Saturday's competition.

STAFF REPORT:

- A. Mr. Howell – Marching band is going well. Last Saturday's competition went well but there are tougher competitions coming up. They have worked on cleaning up some of the show based on the judges' comments from last week. They are moved up to class AAAA for this coming weekend since the other class was so large. Concert band and wind ensemble are going well and starting on music for their next concert on December 19th. Looking at some upcoming expenses – replace storage at the middle school and his number one goal is to get a storage building for marching band (a metal storage building on a concrete pad on the opposite side of the school next to the bus lot).
- B. Mr. Liner – Things are going well. They had a great concert last week. They're selling fruit. He is going to try and have a pep band for the pep rally and game against NDMS next week.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Concession Stand – Covered for this coming Friday evening.
- B. Senior Night – Parents need to be in the band room by 6:30. Is sending out a form for student to fill out of who will be escorting them.
- C. Props – Might need to get something to brace the stones if the wind is blowing.
- D. Parades - Veteran's Day Parade is happening on November 11th. Haven't heard anything from the Midway parade.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm with second. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 23rd at 7:00 pm.