

**McQUEEN BAND PARENTS ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE April 1, 2009 MEETING
McQueen High School Band Room**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Pete Hull

Ann Mink verified that a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: Members received minutes from the March 10, 2009 meeting via email or in the mail.

Motion: Approve the minutes of March 10, 2009 meeting. Moved, seconded and approved by voice vote.

Director's Report-Rick Moffit- 2nd Zone concert was very successful. The Winter Guard has had several successful contests this month and have their final performance on Saturday. The WCSD Band Festival was very successful. Both bands earned straight 1's. McQueen band were the only bands to earn this distinction. 8th grade parent night was successful. The Fine Arts Dessert night is starting to get organized. We need a chairperson. Reno Aces performance was delayed to Saturday, April 18 at 6:00 pm. Band will wear uniforms. He also requested that the banner be there as well. More information will be emailed to parents as soon as it is known. Awards banquet is starting to get organized. Mr. Moffit stated unless we can come up with another venue, the food will be in the cafeteria and awards in the gym. Graduation is on Wed. June 3 at 5pm. Every member of the band performs in tuxes and concert dresses. We will have a Tuesday rehearsal after finals. Mini band camp is Tuesday, June 16-19 and the band will perform in the Reno Rodeo parade on June 20. Request June meeting to be on Wed. June 17 for the Freshmen parents. To acquaint them with the BPA. The band will perform in the July 4th parade on July 5th in Graeagle. They give us a large donation, pay for the buses, and feed the kids. Kids get to swim in the reservoir after the parade. He has not set the August band camp schedule yet. The first football game is at Mackay stadium at UNR at the end of August. Date to be announced soon.

Office Report – Cindra Marandola - We need a chairperson for the Fine Arts Dessert Night on May 15 from 5-8pm. Start set-up at 3:00 and clean-up until 9. The chairperson will organize volunteers to cut and serve desserts and supervise the night of the event. We need about 5 or 6 for set up. 6 adults and 5 students during the event to fill trays and stock the tables. 5-6 to clean afterwards. Band members work the event too. Monica will send out an email to solicit a chairperson. The McQueen Jazz band, guard, and percussion performs at the event.

Awards Banquet is scheduled on May 26 and a venue is still needed. If anyone has a free or inexpensive venue that we could bring our own food to please contact Cindra Marandola ASAP. If no venue is found, we will have a potluck dinner in the cafeteria (BPA provides lasagna and bread), awards in the gym, and dessert in the cafeteria. A question was asked about the Barton-Bennett scholarship. It is currently for \$200. The 08/09 board talked about changing the name and the amount. The issue was tabled and the board will research the issue and report back its findings at the next general meeting.

Treasurer's Report – Anita Parker reviewed the report. Anita went over the Bank of America and Wells Fargo accounts debits and deposits. Anita went over receipts turned in today. Anita asked for receipts or deposits.

Motion: Approve Treasurer's Reports of April 1, 2009. Moved, seconded, and approved by voice vote.

Fundraising – Karla Hull – She meet with the Entertainment book representative. Our sales would be lumped together with the other groups at McQueen HS that sale the books. So the total number of books that all groups sale will determine the profit we make on each book. Sales possible online too. We have the opportunity to presale the 2010 book, the purchaser would receive a free 2009 book. It would need to be determined if the profit would go to the individual band members accounts or something else. We could organize an incentive program to encourage the band members to sell books. The item was tabled and will be voted on in the future. Any new fundraising ideas? Monica suggested a play-a-thon. This could coincide with a rehearsal already scheduled with band members soliciting sponsors from family and friends.

Reno Rodeo- Trisha Watson sent around a sign-up list. She asked if volunteers hadn't participated in the Reno Rodeo fundraiser before, to please let her know. The Reno Rodeo is from June 18-27. She would like to schedule an experienced person with rookies.

Committee Reports-

Uniform Committee – Diane Wood - She asked how many parents did she need to hand out uniforms at football games. She was told three in the uniform closet. She is working on getting that organized. Monica explained the new Finishing touches committee. They will be responsible for making sure that all band members hair is tucked into their shakos, placing and removing plumes, and that each member is ready to perform (gloves, shoes, socks, etc.). This committee will be a subcommittee to the uniform committee and Debbie Lewis has volunteered to chair it.

New Business- Tina Ford asked if McQueen band alumni can be members. Mary read the By-Laws and alumni parents can be honorary members with paid membership dues. She volunteered to chair the grant committee as she has extensive grant writing experience with non-profits. It was motioned to accept her as grant committee chair. **Moved, seconded, and approved by voice vote.**

Old Business- New uniform trailer. Kerry Authier volunteered to find a new trailer. He asked about the size and how much we wanted to spend. It was proposed to limit it to \$5000 to \$6000. We would need raise funds for it before purchasing the trailer. It was suggested that the current uniform trailer could be used for the food committee to haul food and equipment to events.

New Food storage containers – Mary contacted someone at her work about donating one to the band. Unfortunately, none are available at this time. She has people looking for us, but unfortunately it will probably be 2-3 years from now. We need to pursue other opportunities. Pete will call Paula to see how she is doing with her pursuits.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm

Minutes submitted by
Monica Anderson, Recording Secretary

Minutes accepted by
Pete Hull, President

Upcoming Meeting – WEDNESDAY May 6, 2009 in the Band Room. General Membership Meeting at 7:00 p.m.