

MINUTES
MVHS 20009th BOOSTER CLUB

Date/Time/Place: Monday, 6 February 2023, 18:01
JROTC Compound and Zoom

Members Present: Shiquita Davie, President
Elizabeth King, Treasurer
Angela Wilkin, Secretary

Members Absent: Frank Jarrett, Vice President

Others Present: Major Lisa Rodriguez
C/SMSgt Seth Rakowitz
Sarah Allen
Maritza Arroyo
Liz Gantzer
Jenni Koonce
Heather Lidowski
Cara Rakowitz

Actions: Approved Minutes of the 9 January 2023 Booster Club Meeting.
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Accepted the January 2023 Treasurer's Report. (Page 2)

Call to Order. President Shiquita Davie called the meeting to order at 18:01.

Agenda. The Agenda was adopted as presented.

Minutes. The 9 January 2023 Minutes were reviewed. Sarah Allen motioned to approve the Minutes and Elizabeth King seconded the motion. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report. Elizabeth King reviewed the January financial report, noting a beginning balance of \$13,803.54 with withdrawals totaling \$1,609.61 (Military Ball expenses, \$200 cash transfer to the Scholarship Fund, and meals for competition) and deposits totaling \$86.72 (online merchandise sales and Amazon returns for Military Ball purchases). The ending balance is \$12,280.65.

The Scholarship Account had one withdrawal of \$625 for spring semester registration and two deposits of \$424 (\$200 from Cornfield Classic and Old Fashion Christmas profits, and a \$224 donation from cadets (excess from soda funds/uniform buyout). The ending balance is \$3,862.91.

The petty cash drawer balance remains at \$0. Members discussed the Cyber Patriots line item. Instructors and Mr. Frank Hall will discuss absorbing the funds into the general account, which will continue covering their meals for competitions and equipment requests. The transfer is tabled until staff discuss the option with Mr. Hall.

Angela Wilkin moved to approve the January Treasurer's Report. Liz Gantzler seconded the motion. All in favor.

Old Business.

Whataburger Fundraiser.

Initially scheduled for the end of February, the JROTC Whataburger Spirit Night is cancelled indefinitely due to marketing staff shortages. Liz Gantzler will provide updates. As an alternative, Whataburger is sending a gift basket with vouchers and swag valued at \$350. The basket will be included in the Booster Club Raffle.

Military Ball.

The Military Ball is scheduled for 11 February at 17:00 at the Courtyard by Marriott Sea World hotel. Decorating will begin at 15:00. Staff is finishing the event program.

Email Blast Campaign.

After one week, donations totaled \$5,000 with 105 cadets participating. The campaign will run through 2 March. Donations (cash or check) may be mailed/brought into the compound as an alternative to contributing online via credit card.

Per Jenni Koonce, the Chick-fil-A Food Truck is unavailable to sell at Booster Club events.

New Business.

Park Cleanup.

Ms. Gantzler is requesting 15 cadets to help clean up and maintain Castroville Park on Saturday, 18 February from 08:00 to 10:00.

Raffle.

This year's Raffle will be held on Facebook during the 1 May Booster Club meeting. Ms. Davie will email the donation request letter to the Booster Club/Fundraising Committee. A donation request for services and/or products will also be posted on the Booster Club FB page. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase at various retail sites in Castroville beginning on 24 March and at Awards Night, scheduled for 12 April. Donations should be in hand by 24 April. Ms. King will check for residual tickets from last year.

Special Guest.

The American Legion has volunteer opportunities for cadets:

- Weapons/Equipment Maintenance (3rd Monday of every month) – 6 to 7 cadets
- Scholarship Meals (24 February, held every three months, 17:00 to 19:00) – Need cadets to setup/cook/serve/cleanup.
- American Legion Anniversary Meal (19 March, 11:00 to 13:00) – Cadets needed for setup/cleanup.
- Veteran Appreciation Meals (17 September)

The Legion welcomes cadet inquiries about what they would like to learn or how they can help with events and activities (flag placement on gravesites, lawn work, etc.). Sign-up forms for approved events will be posted in the JRTOC compound for volunteer opportunities.

Ms. Davie introduced and welcomed Ms. Abigail Figueroa, 1st Vice Commander, American Legion, Weiss-Wurzbach Post 460. Ms. Figueroa invited and encouraged cadet participation in community and Legion activities as those efforts are taken into consideration when the Legion awards scholarships. She welcomed cadets to the Legion Compound to discuss veterans' experiences and answer military related questions. She may be reached at 830-584-8403 (Legion Compound).

Instructor's Call.

Major Rodriguez requested additional bags to present to the Cadet of the Month recipients. The Academic Challenge Team has advanced to round two of their competition which will take place on Thurs., 9 Feb. The Booster Club will cover lunch for our eight cadets. Cadet photographs are rescheduled for Wed., 8 March. Teams will not participate in the Bear Classic at Brennan High School. The Booster Club will provide hot dogs and hamburgers for the cadet overnight (date TBD).

Next year's Corps leadership (Top 3) will be announced at the Military Ball. Incoming leadership will start shadowing current staff in preparation for a smooth transition to the 2023/24 school year. The remaining interviews for staff positions will occur following the Ball.

The next Booster Club meeting is scheduled for 6 March at 18:00 at the Compound and via Zoom.

Ms. Davie adjourned the meeting at 19:05.

Minutes submitted by Angela Wilkin, Secretary.