

MINUTES
MVHS TX-20009th AFJROTC BOOSTER CLUB

Date/Time/Place: Tuesday, 6 February 2024, 18:03
JROTC Compound and Zoom

Members Present: Maritza Arroyo, President
Frank Jarrett, Vice President
Elizabeth King, Treasurer
Karen Moore, Public Affairs
Angela Wilkin, Secretary
Sarah Allen
Elizabeth Floyd
Liz Gantzler
Tracy Hinkle
Jenni Koonce
Heather Lidowski
Linda Persyn
Cara Rakowitz
Christina Scott

Members Absent: None

Others Present: MSgt Lee Conrad
C/LtCol Seth Rakowitz
C/2LT Zuniga
C/CMSgt Joseph Lidowski

Actions: Approved the 9 January 2024 Minutes, 20 January 2024 Minutes, and 21 January 2024 Minutes, and 22 January 2024 Minutes. (Page 2)

Accepted the January 2024 Treasurer's Report. (Page 2)

Appointed Maritza Arroyo, Frank Jarrett, Sarah Allen, Liz Gantzler, and SMSgt Tisha Gilmore to the 2024 Scholarship Committee. (Page 3)

Agreed to reserve two booths for 2024 Old Fashion Christmas. (Page 4)

Agreed to award pizza parties to the flight that provides the most email addresses and the flight that earns the most income. (Page 4)

Approved up to \$650 to fund the Bataan Death March. (Page 4)

Call to Order. President Maritza Arroyo called the meeting to order at 18:03.

Agenda. The Agenda was adopted as presented.

Minutes. The 9 January 2024 Minutes were reviewed. Elizabeth King made a motion to approve the 9 January 2024 Minutes. Linda Persyn seconded the motion. All in favor.

Members reviewed the 20 January 2024 Electronic Minutes. Frank Jarrett made a motion to approve the 20 January 2024 Electronic Minutes. Elizabeth King seconded the motion. All in favor.

The 21 January 2024 Zoom Officers' Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Elizabeth King made a motion to approve the 21 January 2024 Zoom Officers' Meeting Minutes. Liz Gantzler seconded the motion. All in favor.

Members reviewed the 22 January 2024 Military Ball Zoom Meeting Minutes. Karen Moore made a motion to approve the 22 January 2024 Military Ball Zoom Meeting Minutes. Frank Jarrett seconded the motion. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report. Elizabeth King reviewed the January 2024 Treasurer's Report, noting a beginning balance of \$19,761.54. Expenses totaled \$1,588.51 (Military Ball and a transfer to the Scholarship Fund) with no deposits. The ending balance for January was \$18,173.03.

The Scholarship Account had a beginning balance of \$4,146.91 with a spring semester award of \$500 to Ryan Trevino and a deposit of \$1,133 (from the Veterans' Color Run/Walk) from the general fund. The end balance was \$4,779.91. Frank Jarrett moved to approve the January 2024 Treasurer's Report. Linda Persyn seconded the motion. All in favor.

Old Business.

Cadet Merchandise Order.

Elizabeth King will email vendor cost estimates of the top three t-shirt designs to the Board. Members discussed ordering ten shirts in each size of each design.

Spirit Night.

Liz Gantzler reported that Dairy Queen is still interested in partnering for a Spirit Night, however they have no update for us. Maritza Arroyo is meeting with Pizza Wood Fire tomorrow to discuss a time and day for Spirit Night. There is no update from Julianna's.

Wreaths Across America.

Elizabeth Floyd will forward Wreaths Across America fundraising information.

Scholarship Workshop (Session 2).

At the last Scholarship Workshop, Heather Lidowski introduced an essay prompt and discussed how to adapt essays to multiple scholarships. The meeting was well attended and she offered to review essays.

Military Ball.

C/2LT Zoe Zuniga invited Booster volunteers to help set-up at 2 p.m. in the Ballroom. Gilled bacon wrapped sirloin, broccoli and carrots, New York cheesecake and tres leches cake, and a Caesar salad will be served to the 220 attendees.

The Military Ball Cookie Fundraiser raised \$494.70. Members thanked Maritza Arroyo for baking and donating military ball invitation cookies and an assortment of cookies.

New Business.

Park Cleanup.

This month's cleanup is scheduled for 08:00 to 10:00 or 08:00 to 12:00 on Saturday, 17 February. Liz Gantzler will confirm if cadets are needed on the 17th since 140 athletes will participate in "Make A Difference" Day by volunteering at the park on Friday. A sign-up sheet will be posted; however the event may be cancelled depending on the workload.

Fundraising Committee Meeting.

The Fundraising Committee will meet at Bill Miller's on Thursday, 15 February at 18:00. All Boosters are invited to attend.

Spirit Night.

Maritza Arroyo will follow-up with Mr. Acosta at McDonald's (FM211 and Potranco) about hosting a Spirit Night.

Sneaker Fundraiser.

GotSneakers will donate \$1 to the Booster Club per pair of sneakers collected. Postage, packaging, and labels are provided by the company. Members discussed the possibility of placing collection containers throughout MVHS. MSgt Conrad will verify with school administrators and the Booster Club will follow up. The projected start date to collect sneakers is 3 March.

Raffle Sales.

Liz Gantzler reported the following items have been donated for the Raffle: Schlitterbahn tickets, Chewy's gift cards, Christmas Wreath, Cajun Coffee gift card, Skill Hedge Trimmer (South Texas Hardware), Chicken N Pickle gift certificate, Mission Baseball tickets, and a Bolner's Fiest Spices basket. Raffle ticket sales will begin on 23 March.

Scholarship Application Deadline & Parent Volunteer Hours.

The Booster Club Scholarship Application with supplemental documents should be submitted to SMSgt Tisha Gilmore on 1 March by 4:30 p.m. Park clean-up, setting up for the Military Ball, and the Bataan practice marches are the last Booster volunteer opportunities for parents to meet the volunteer hour requirement for their senior(s) to apply for the Booster Club Scholarship.

Karen Moore moved to appoint Maritza Arroyo, Frank Jarrett, Sarah Allen, Liz Gantzler, and SMSgt Tisha Gilmore to the 2024 Scholarship Committee. Linda Persyn seconded the motion. All in favor.

Frank Jarrett motioned to reserve two booths for 2024 Old Fashion Christmas. Liz Gantzer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Email Campaign.

The Booster Club discussed awarding pizza parties as an incentive to two flights:

- The Flight that provides the most email addresses.
- The Flight with the most donations (total \$ amount).

Instructors will discuss uniform passes as an incentive for individual cadets:

- Cadet with the most individual donations (people).
- Cadet with the highest total \$ amount.
- Cadet who contributed the most email addresses.

Jenni Koonce motioned to award pizza parties to the flight that provides the most email addresses and the flight that earns the most income. Karen Moore seconded the motion. All in favor.

Instructor's Call.

Two teams will compete in the Drone and Rocket competition in late March in Kerrville.

Cadet Announcements.

C/CMSgt Joseph Lidowski presented funding requests for meals/snacks for the Bataan Memorial March. The second practice is scheduled for Friday, 16 February at 1:30 p.m. at the MVHS track. The next practices are scheduled for 2 March and 23 March at Government Canyon State Park. C/CMSgt Lidowski estimates 50 participants have signed up for the event, however expects 30 to 40 participants at the event. A better estimate will be provided after the third practice march.

Participants will vote on an alternate march date: 2 March, 9 March or 6 April due to a scheduling conflict. C/CMSgt Lidowski suggested a location change to Government Canyon State Park. The location and date will be confirmed within the next week. The \$30 activity fee will cover the funding request. Frank Jarrett motioned to approve up to \$650 to fund the Bataan Death March. Jenni Koonce seconded the motion. All in favor.

Future Agenda.

Officer elections will occur at the April meeting.

Elizabeth King reported that the Booster Club has been cleared of any wrongdoing in the recent IRS investigation regarding fraudulent W-2 filings by another entity using the Booster Club Tax ID number. Our account has been flagged and noted that we do not have employees/W-2 filings. All debt has been cleared and the account is in good standing.

The next Booster Club meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 5 March 2024, 18:00 at the Compound and via Zoom.

Liz Gantzer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Elizabeth King seconded the motion. All in favor. Maritza Arroyo adjourned the meeting at 19:17.

Minutes submitted by Angela Wilkin, Secretary.