

MINUTES
MVHS 20009th BOOSTER CLUB

Date/Time/Place: Monday, May 2, 2022, 6:06 p.m.
JROTC Compound, MVHS

Members Present: Shiquita Davie, President
Frank Jarrett, Vice President
Elizabeth King, Treasurer
Patti Trevino, Public Relations
Angela Wilkin, Secretary

Others Present: Jennifer Alamos
Sara Allen
Nikki Bitters
MSgt (Ret) Lee Conrad, JROTC Instructor
Liz Gantzler
Richard Gantzler
Billie Tolbert
Shannon Trevino

Actions: Minutes of March 7, 2022, were approved. (page 2)

Minutes of April 4, 2022, were approved. (page 2)

Minutes of April 4, 2022, Electronic Vote were approved. (page 2)

Minutes of April 13, 2022, Electronic Vote were approved. (page 2)

Minutes of April 25, 2022, Electronic Vote were approved. (page 2)

Authorized transfer of \$3,390 from Color Run and Raffle profits and \$100 from Whataburger fundraiser to the scholarship account. (page 2)

Accepted the April 2022 Treasurer's Report. (page 2)

Approved \$2,000 in scholarship awards. (page 3)

Agreed to purchase boxed lunches from Jason's Deli and supplement water, if needed, for the Pool Party on May 20, 2022. (page 3)

Approved the purchase, up to \$200, of two chip readers and accessories to run the readers. (page 4)

Spend \$1,000 on BCO expenses with the understanding that the amount might increase with the number of incoming cadets. (page 4)

Order the necessary gray volunteer shirts (dry fit) for incoming cadets and replacement shirts for current cadets. (page 4)

Provide up to \$500 to cover food expenses for the MVHS JROTC Cadet Leadership Course (CLC) scheduled for July 25-27, 2022. (page 4)

Retain Billie Tolbert and Nikki Bitters as consultants/advisers for one year, as needed. (page 5)

Call to Order. President Shiquita Davie called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Agenda. The Agenda was amended to add Castroville Regional Park Adopt a Trail POC under New Business.

Minutes. Minutes of the April 4, 2022, meeting were reviewed and approved as received. Frank Jarrett made a motion to approve the minutes and Richard Gantzler seconded the motion. All in favor.

Minutes of the April 4, 2022, Electronic Vote, were reviewed and approved as received. Liz Gantzler motioned to approve and Elizabeth King seconded the motion. All in favor.

Minutes of the April 4, 2022, Electronic Vote, were reviewed and approved as received. Angela Wilkin motioned to approve and Jennifer Alamos seconded the motion. All in favor.

Minutes of the April 13, 2022, Electronic Vote, were reviewed and approved as received. Angela Wilkin motioned to approve and Elizabeth King seconded the motion. All in favor.

Minutes of the April 25, 2022, Electronic Vote, were reviewed and approved as received. Liz Gantzler motioned to approve and Patti Trevino seconded the motion. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report.

Nikki Bitters presented the Treasurer's Report (attached). The taxes and legacy payment for the Franchise Report have been paid. Tax documents are available should the IRS need to verify payment from the past three years. The checking account balance stands at \$17,962.75. The scholarship account balance is \$1,688.91. Liz Gantzler motioned to transfer \$100 from the Whataburger fundraiser profit to the scholarship account instead of the standard 10 percent contribution. Sarah Allen seconded the motion. All in favor. Billie Tolbert moved to amend the motion to transfer profits totaling \$3,390 from the Color Run (\$585) and Raffle (\$2,725) with the \$100 Whataburger amount to the scholarship account. The motion to amend was seconded by Frank Jarrett. The motion carried. All in favor.

Ms. Bitters expects Weebly's annual invoice of \$144 via email within the next two weeks. This cost covers the Square subscription and hosting the Website.

Richard Ganzler motioned to accept the April 2022 Treasurer's Report as is. Nikki Bitters seconded the motion. All in favor.

Old Business.

Color Run. Shirts in small and medium sizes will need to be ordered for next year's race.

Inventory of all merchandise will occur in early summer as the gray shirts, especially, need to be reordered in preparation of incoming cadets attending Basic Cadet Orientation (BCO). Nikki can reorder the shirts with AtwoZ Graphics who has JROTC approved artwork on file.

It was recommended to store merchandise in the DAP building while the compound undergoes renovation in June.

Scholarship Committee. The Scholarship Committee would like to congratulate and award Cadet Jackson Bitters with a \$1,250 scholarship and Cadet Russell Tolbert with a \$750 scholarship. Liz Gantzler introduced a motion to approve \$2,000 in scholarship funds. Jennifer Alamos seconded the motion. All in favor.

Raffle. New tickets were drawn for the four items that were donated/exchanged: Jack Lewis (Ninja Foodi Blender), Keith Lawrence (cornhole set), Petra Reyes (BBQ basket), and Crystal Greene (coffee). Shiquita Davie and Angela Wilkin will contact winners and schedule deliveries.

Email Blast. The Email Blast fundraiser raised \$7,844.78! SMSgt Gilmore received a check from Raise Circle for \$7,544.78 and \$300 was contributed directly to the Corps. Ten percent of the total amount will be transferred to the scholarship account.

Pool Party. The Pool Party is scheduled for Friday, May 20, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Castroville Regional Park. All cadets are invited to attend. Buses are reserved and will taxi cadets to/from the Compound to the pool. Jason's Deli offers a boxed lunch which includes a sandwich, a bag of chips, a cookie, and a pickle for \$5.49. Sara Allen made a motion to purchase boxed lunches from Jason's Deli and Richard Gantzler volunteered to pick up the boxes. The motion was seconded by Elizabeth King. All in favor. Cadet staff will ask cadets to bring their own drink(s). Liz Gantzler introduced an amendment to the motion to include supplementing drinks as needed. Frank Jarrett seconded the motion. All in favor.

Ms. Bitters reported \$200 was received in Chili Cookoff donations.

Graduation Water Sales. Jennifer Alamos received a \$100 cash donation from Bar-B-Q Republic, another donation of fifty 16 lb bags of ice, and is awaiting confirmation of a large donation of water and Gatorade. Cadets have been asked to donate \$5 toward the purchase of water and chips, which will be sold at the event. Ms. Bitters recommended purchasing the items now while she is still on the account because the bank card for Elizabeth might take up to three weeks. Remaining inventory will be utilized at future corps events.

Currently, five families have volunteered to help with graduation sales. Volunteers and cadets should arrive at 4 p.m. to set up. Panther Stadium will open to families at 6:30 p.m. MSgt. Conrad will talk with the MVHS groundskeeper to secure a golf cart to transport water to the visitor's side of stadium.

Members discussed the need to process sales on both sides of the field and suggested purchasing chip readers to accept credit card payments. Richard Gantzler made a motion to purchase two wireless Bluetooth chip readers. Frank Jarrett seconded the motion. Liz Gantzler amended the motion to spend up to \$200 to purchase the two readers and accessories to run the readers. Bille Tolbert seconded the amended motion. All in favor.

Corps Trip. The Corps Trip is scheduled for May 16-18 at Mo Ranch. Staff needs additional chaperones. An email to Booster Club members will be sent to solicit volunteers.

Elections (New Treasurer). Elizabeth King was welcomed and introduced as Treasurer.

New Business.

Funding Requests. Historically, the Booster Club provides lunch for Basic Cadet Orientation (BCO) graduates and instructors. Cookies, water, and juice are provided for parents/attendees. Staff estimates 120 incoming cadets. Billie Tolbert introduced a motion to spend \$1,000 on BCO expenses with the understanding that the amount might increase with the number of incoming cadets. Jennifer Alamos seconded the motion. All in favor. BCO is scheduled for Aug 1-4, 2022.

Liz Gantzler motioned to order the necessary gray volunteer shirts (dry fit) for incoming cadets and replacement shirts for current cadets. Frank Jarrett seconded the motion. All in favor.

Cadet Leadership Course (CLC). The 2022 Cadet Leadership Course (CLC) at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene is scheduled for May 30 to June 4, 2022.

MVHS JROTC is hosting its CLC July 25-27 and is requesting funding for lunches for three days for 20 to 25 cadets. Cadet staff is creating a t-shirt design and will approach instructors if they need additional funding. Frank Jarrett motioned to provide up to \$500 to cover food expenses for the MVHS hosted CLC. Richard Gantzler seconded the motion. All in motion. Instructors will also apply profit from Corps water/soda sales toward the lunch purchase before they approach the Booster Club for funds.

Welcome Back Party. Liz Gantzler reported that the Keonig Park reservation credit from the Chili Cookoff will be applied toward the Welcome Back Party scheduled for September 17, 2022. Members discussed a BBQ theme with games to welcome incoming cadets and families. The discussion was tabled as more planning and information is needed.

Castroville Regional Park Adopt a Trail POC. Liz Gantzler volunteered to work with the Friends of Castroville Regional Park in coordinating JROTC support in maintaining a

trail and cleaning the park. The next park clean up is scheduled for May 21, 2022, from 8 to 10 a.m.

Consultants/Advisors. Since the Board is composed of new members, Ms. Davie highlighted Ms. Tolbert and Ms. Bitters relationship with community members and their wealth of Booster Club information/history. Both previous board members have served the Booster Club for many years. Jennifer Alamos introduced a motion for current board members to consult, as needed, with Billie Tolbert and Nikki Bitters for one year. Richard Gantzler seconded the motion. All in favor.

Instructors Call.

Pool Party. The Pool Party is scheduled for May 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. MSgt Conrad reported that chaperones are still needed and should report to the school at 9:30 a.m. to ride the buses with students to Castroville Regional Park. Lifeguards will be on site.

Corps Trip. The Corps Trip to Mo Ranch is scheduled for May 16-18, 2022. Staff reported 100 slots are available, however cadets must meet grade requirements/teacher approval to attend. Funding is covered by the Corps.

Gaming Team. The Air Force is encouraging gaming teams to better prepare students to recognize terrorist activities and gather intelligence information in the chat arena. Staff held a gaming meeting with cadets which garnered a lot of interest, especially among the cyber team cadets. Staff will request to form a gaming team to compete in the High School E Sports League and will follow up with the Booster Club with any funding requests/needs.

Funding Request. MVHS will cover the purchase of drones and headsets, totaling \$1613.99 for the Drone Team. MSgt. Congrad will approach the Booster Club in June/July with a better idea of funding requests.

Cadets on competition teams may practice during the summer starting in July (Monday through Thursday). Incoming cadet leadership recently selected team commanders. An information meeting about the various teams will be held and interested cadets will receive specific team information and a summer schedule. An incoming transfer cadet, with help from members of her previous drill team, has approached staff and would like to help establish a drill team at MVHS.

The Drone team demonstrated the experience needed to compete in their first drone competition. Staff would like to add a drone category to the Cornfield Classic Competition in the fall. The Panther Dome would be the perfect arena to control the environment versus dealing with the outdoor elements. By law, the Corps is required to have seven LDR competition teams which must be able to compete nationally. Airsoft is not included in the national competition and adding drone and gaming teams are easy to host and affordable for the cadets because the equipment is provided.

Staff will continue to distribute the Booster funds across all teams.

The Raiders Team will join the NISD Raider League, which is comprised of primarily Army teams. Our team will compete in the four NISD competitions with exception to their battalion (headquarters) competition. The Air Force version of the Raiders Team is the PT (Physical Fitness) Team. There is a national competition for our PT Team.

Future Agenda. The Board will meet with instructors on May 20 to review the 2022/23 schedule and discuss expectations.

Thank You's.

Ms. Davie expressed the Booster Club's gratitude for their dedicated service to the Corps. and presented them each with a plant and plaque.

The Booster Club is scheduled to meet on Saturday, Sept 17 at the Welcome Back Party at Koenig Park.

Frank Garrett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Richard Gantzler seconded. All in favor. Shiquita Davie adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Angela Wilkin, Secretary.