

**MUSIC MENTORS OCTOBER 2024**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**Date: October 2, 2024**

**Board Members Present: Angie Arslanian (President), Amy Freeman (Vice President), Julie Bates (Treasurer), Beatrice Goldberg (Secretary), Steve Poremba and Ben McMurtrie (Band Directors).**

**Committee Chairs Present: Chaperones (Meredith Everett); Hospitality (Jen Eberly); Website (Dan Bingman); Scholarship (Kim Bednarski); Service Committee (Jason Bednarski).**

**Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.**

**1) APPROVAL OF THE LAST MONTH MINUTES:**

**Minutes of the September meeting: The motion to approve the Minutes was made by Kim Bednarski, seconded by Dan Bingman. The motion was carried out.**

**2) OFFICERS REPORTS:**

Treasurer's Report (Julie Bates):

**Tag day: more donations coming in, 20,708.77 profit this year.**

Directors' Reports: (Steve Poremba & Ben McMurtrie).

**Steve Poremba:**

- **September was a busy month. Big Thanks for Tag Day, will keep it going every year. Thanks to all the parents and kids.**
- **Lake County Festival two weeks ago. Lots of kudos from the other directors on event. Lots of work for the volunteers but very worth it.**
- **End of Sept, very high scores (91/100 for the first competition). First place for General Visual. Great job performing. Big show this weekend (in Norton, small school/small stadium), will be 14 bands this year, by shifts. Performance time: 8:30 pm.**
- **End of Oct, Brunswick competition on Saturday October 19, 2024, this year. Will be an early performance: 1:45 pm.**
- **Indoor concert: Oct 27, 2024 in indoor gym at Mentor High School, at 3 pm.**
- **Sat Nov 2, 2024 in Medina, 5 pm performance time. Call time around: around 12 noon.**
- **Football team doing very well this year, most likely long play offs (2 or 3 at home games). Could go to beginning of December.**
- **Varsity Fall Band concert on Oct 10, 2024.**

**Ben McMurtrie:**

- **Long list of parents' involvement: uniforms fitting for band. Chaperoning, Tag day, MCMA, etc. Thank you to all the helping parents. Great rehearsals.**
- **Middle School night: participation canceled because of the rain).**

Presidents' Report (Angie Arslanian):

- **Thank you to all the volunteers.**
- **Tag day, students, drivers.**
- **MCMEA event help.**
- **Reminder that we cannot have minors helping because of liability issues (for Music Mentors and schools).**
- **Looking forward to competitions**
- **Senior Night. Will be Friday October 18.**
- **Mr. P to set up photographer**
- **Donation card**

**Amy Freeman** (Vice President)

- **Tremendous thank you for Tag day.**
- **Not publicized too much in advance to avoid other groups.**

**Beatrice Goldberg** (Secretary)

- **Fundraiser at Panda Express on Sept 19, 2024: \$43.46.**
- **For October, contacted G-Licious pizza. Working with Tropical Smoothie Café, they need to be added to the corporate locations for fundraisers. Will talk to Great Harvest Bread Company for future (have contact info).**

3) **COMMITTEES REPORTS:**

**Uniforms** (Christina Smelcer):

**Absent.**

**Chaperone** (Meredith Everett):

**Nothing new to report. Chaperones lined up to report this weekend. Call for chaperones at 4 pm On Sat Oct 5.**

**Hospitality** (Mary Ellen Layman):

**Kids are eating well. Had only one visiting band. Oatmeal raisin cookies?**

**Website** (Dan Bingman):

- **Would like to look at online storage with App to go with it.**
- **Maybe ways to secure information. Microsoft and Google offer free accounts. Dan to look into it. Cost around \$1,300 to switch over.**

**Scholarships** (Kim Bednarski):

- **Friday, after 4<sup>th</sup> quarter at the game, to talk with the leaders about raffle baskets.**
- **Online raffle basket this year.**
- **Put one pillow aside for a raffle basket.**

**Service Committee** (Jason Bednarski):

- **Thank you to all that helped. Truck all in order.**

50/50 Raffle (**Matt Armstrong**):

- **Nothing to report. Great night last home game (over \$1,000).**

*If you are interested in volunteering, join any of the committees, please check [musicmentors.org](https://musicmentors.org) website for contact info on committee chairs (click on "about us").*

4) **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **None**

5) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **None**

6) **NEXT MEETING:**

**Wednesday, November 6, 2024.**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Kim Bednarski, seconded by Dan Bingman. Motion carried at 7:38 pm.**