

**Ryle Band Boosters**  
**Executive board meeting minutes**  
**Thursday, December 15, 2016**

Board members in attendance: Tracy Fuchs, Staci Ramsey, Tyra LaVerne, Doug Penix, Kevin Gregory, Robin Erpenbeck, Jodi McGinnis

Chairpersons in attendance: Ryan Royse, Scott Hill

Board members not present: Matthew Hafley, Mark Fowler, Patsy Fegenbush

Tracy Fuchs called the meeting to order, and welcomed everyone.

Tracy Fuchs asked everyone to review the minutes from the Executive Board Meeting on November 17, 2016. Robin Erpenbeck motioned to approve the minutes. Jodi McGinnis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Jodi reviewed the financial statement of activity. Charitable Gaming balance is \$25,054.76; Checking balance is 36,320.98, but we are about to make a payment of about \$14,000 soon. This payment will be applied to the large unexpected invoice we received from the school board earlier this fall, but we still need to assess from which account the funds will come (student fees vs. booster accounts). This \$14,000 payment will cover about half of the invoice in question. Tracy, Bob, and Kevin are coming up with a list of specific needs, and also defining the funds from which these needs can be financed. Current balance in Savings is \$9,148.09. The costs for the Band Banquet are being paid out of the Ryle account. Additionally, Jodi, Kevin, and Tracy will be working together to better define the rules as to what activities can be paid from which account – this should add some clarity going forward for next year's Board.

Kevin Gregory discussed the bylaws. A draft has been sent out to the bylaw committee, and a meeting will be occurring in the near future. The members of the bylaws committee are Tracy Fuchs, Kevin Gregory, Scott Hill, Ryan Royse, and Staci Ramsey. Some changes have been made to the bylaws in recent years, but nothing has been actually officially documented. For acceptance, changes to the bylaws have to be discussed at one general meeting, but cannot be voted upon until the following general meeting. One other option would be to have a special meeting for the purpose of approving the bylaws since the April meeting will already be quite packed with officer elections and budget approval. General election quorum is 10 individuals in addition to 50% of the officers present.

Ryan Royse gave the Bingo update. This upcoming weekend will be the last Bingo weekend of the year. Ryan is estimating a total of \$58-59K profit for the year. Ryan also expects, based on prior years, that the first quarter should be very strong. We will be doing a call-a-thon soon, most likely in January, to try and incorporate more volunteers. Robin Erpenbeck suggested contacting Mr. Kidwell to try and recruit 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade programs to either recruit, or even potentially run the bingo evenings in the fall so we don't have to take off marching season from Bingo.

Ryan Royse then turned to the Spring Raffle update. After 2016 not being as successful as we had hoped, we are looking to recalibrate this year. We will extend the raffle's timeframe for 2017, and also expand our presence a bit, such as by setting up a table at Kroger. We will also bring drum majors into the fundraising/raffle committee to help drive student participation. Robin Erpenbeck will be helping with the spring raffle, and Ryan is also looking for a couple more people to help. Looking right now at a potential March to May timeframe. May 2 is the spring concert and that is when the raffle will conclude. We are considering offering strong student rewards

for raffle ticket sales including potentially Kings Island tickets. Ryan also reconsidering what the beneficial price per ticket would be. Finally, Ryan will be following up with the Lafayette Band Boosters to see what types of best practices they employ when facilitating their raffle.

Tracy Fuchs mentioned that Mr. Elliott met with Matt Turner about a dedicated practice field and tower. There is also the potential for a storage building with electric and water to accompany the field. The cost for this is estimated to be around \$100,000, but could be a definitive goal to set forth when selling raffle tickets.

Tracy Fuchs asked to add a few items to the agenda. Tracy asked if the Board would mind if the Band Boosters purchased an ad in the yearbook. Tracy suggested that this would show general support for and solidarity with Ryle as a whole. Ryan Royse recommended doing a full-page ad in advance of also garnering alumni support. Tracy then asked for outgoing board members to give her a write-up of the details of their positions for the purposes of distributing to potential officer candidates for next year. Tracy asked for job descriptions to be complete by New Year's Eve. Jennifer Conley has secured her five people on the nominating committee. Email will be coming out after the first of the year with Jennifer's information and the openings on the Board.

Robin Erpenbeck motioned to adjourn, Tracy Fuchs seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

