

Ryle Band Boosters
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 16, 2017
5:30 pm

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

Chairpersons in attendance: Scott Hill, Mark Fowler, Ryan Royse, Matthew Hafley

Board members not present: Tyra LaVerne

Tracy Fuchs called the meeting to and welcomed everyone.

Robin Erpenbeck made a motion to approve the minutes from the executive meeting on January 26, 2017. Motion passed.

Kevin Gregory said he had met with the school board regarding the bill for last years' salaries (that we received 9 months ex post facto), and they had resolved how to pay the outstanding balance. Also, this meeting provided a better understanding of what can be paid out of which account; just about everything except for salaries can be paid out of the Ryle account.

However, we can't be reimbursed from the Ryle account, so we will have to create purchase orders for salaries, and get them approved through the school.

Tracy Fuchs said to be aware that going forward, when planning for the banquet, the banquet/booster expenses are included in the annual budget. Additionally, Tracy mentioned that basketball concessions have been doing very well.

Matthew Hafley added that they have been able to keep concessions expenses fairly low by using existing inventory, and at the end of the season will transfer what is left over from basketball concessions into bingo concessions.

There was a group discussion about the funds earned from the raffle; the profit from the raffle will go into the charitable gaming account, and then should be moved into the savings account for the purpose of using it for restricted funds (which are designated for a specific purpose)- we considered a variety of capital expenses for the use of the raffle funds, though obtaining adequate storage for band and guard seems like the most reasonable and doable at this point in time. Kevin made a motion that we move whatever comes in from the raffle from the charitable gaming account to the savings (restricted funds) savings account; later we will assess whether or not we can move the Yankee Candle and Ford Drive for Your School funds into the restricted account based on our operating expenses. Motion approved.

Robin Erpenbeck gave the Yankee Candle update; we will be doing online sales only this spring. We will push various spurts of a couple of weeks at a time to avoid conflicts with other fundraising/events. Yankee Candle will be sending us a monthly check on the profit we gain. Robin referred to the timeline that she, Ryan, and Staci worked on for the Yankee Candle selling spurts.

Robin then mentioned we have been approved for the Ford Drive for Your School program; we have also been approved for the extra bonus, so if we get enough people to participate,

we could get an extra \$2,000, so we could earn a total of \$8,000 for the band from the program. Ford Drive for your School will happen the night of the spring concert. Robin has also talked with Kohl's about Kohl's Community- they will supply volunteers and then give us \$500- and is exploring if that is something we can also leverage in the future.

Ryan Royse gave the Raffle update. We are looking to do both online and paper sales. Now that the raffle profit has been approved to go into the savings account (restricted funds), the ticket will be designed. Ryan discussed the spring fundraising timeline he had handed out. Staci and Robin will come in one day and talk to the students in each band class about what they want for rewards for raffle ticket sales. We will also look to potentially utilize alumni if we are able to do electronic sales.

Bob Elliott gave the Director's Update. The Spring Concert will be split into two (2) nights; Monday, May 1 will be Band 3, Band 2, and Percussion. On Tuesday, May 2, the Wind Symphony will perform. This split is mainly due to the lack of seating in the auditorium. Might be able to have cars both nights for the Ford Drive for Your School program.

Bob mentioned that the Ryle Band director position was posted on the state department website 2/6. The job must be posted for 30 days until the district can make a hire. Matthew Turner has polled the kids to find out key components they believe is important for the Ryle Band program.

Bob also gave the RTOB update; the application is being turned in for 9/23/17 and get that date officially on the books. Have 6

of 8 judges booked; finding the final 2 judges is proving to be more elusive.

Tracy Fuchs made a motion to adjourn and go onto the special meeting to vote on the new bylaws. Jodi McGinnis seconded.

Special meeting note: 19 voted YES, zero (0) voted NO in favor of adopting the new bylaws.