

Talons General Meeting Agenda  
Monday, January 11, 2010  
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Welcome**

- Mission Statement read by Bob Lenau
- Review and approve minutes from December 8, 2009 meeting
- Financial Reports
- Treasurer's Report: Nicole Despot
- Scrip Report: Lisa Withams
- E-Scrip Report: Beth Lenau

**Old Business**

- Fundraising Ideas: Different restaurant third Thursday of Month: 1/21/10
- Oxnard: Deposit back?
- Refunds for sweatshirts and/or color guard shoes

**New Business**

- Spring calendar
- Fundraising for color guard and drum line
- 9<sup>th</sup> grade orientation
- Spring Fling dinner and concert
- Spring planning meeting for MIM 2010

**Matt' Minutes**

- Items for drum line: tenor stand, percussion instruments
- Budget approvals for color guard and drum line
- Paint for floor covers
- Estimates on drum set cases and throne
- 3 Pieces of music for concert band (\$195.00 plus tax and shipping)

**Open Forum**

**Meeting adjourned**

**Save the date:**

**Next Meeting:**

**Date:**

**Time:**

Monday, January 11, 2010  
7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Action items in red

Present: On File

**Board Members Present:**

Bob Lenau, President  
Michelle Bateman, Vice President  
Meagan Holmes, Secretary

**Call to order at 7:06 p.m.**

Welcome everyone. Mission statement read by Bob Lenau

**December 8, 2009 minutes reviewed:**

Corrections made to Lisa Witthans' last name and the totals for drum line for PPAACC  
Gary Hutton motioned to approve the minutes  
2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Eli Molina  
All in agreement and motion carried

**Financial Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report – Nicole Despot absent**

**Scrip Report – Lisa Witthans** (See attached sheet)

**December sales:**

|                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Beginning Box Value:       | \$4486.20 |
| December sales:            | \$2849.20 |
| Order on 12/11/09 (value): | \$1850.00 |
| Ending box value:          | \$3487.00 |
| Actual order total:        | \$1792.58 |
| Deposit on 1/11/10:        | \$2849.20 |

Lisa explained that December is the Talons' biggest month due to the holidays. Next year we need to advertise to friends and family to get their gift cards from the Talons.

**E-Scrip – Beth Lenau** (see attached sheet)

**October 2009:**

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Total Deposit:</b> | <b>\$180.20</b> |
| Students:             | \$5.67          |
| Talons:               | \$174.53        |

**November 2009:**

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Total Deposit:</b> | <b>\$209.93</b> |
| Students:             | \$6.61          |
| Talons:               | \$203.32        |

Beth found a way to get E-Scrip on the Talons website to make it easier for band supporters to use E-Scrip. Bob stated that John Lotze is taking over the website and can work on this new ways to use E-Scrip when John Gentner is back in town.

**Old Business:**

**Fundraising:**

The first restaurant fundraiser is Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at the Sequoia on Rosedale Highway. There will be a fundraiser the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month through May.

Mr. Ouska will put announcements in teacher boxes and make sure signs are made so that Centennial faculty and students know about the fundraiser.

**Oxnard:**

The Talons did receive the deposit back!

**Refunds:**

Those not continuing in band have been refunded!

Bob asked if Tri-Star had sent the \$1,500.00 promised for MIM. Check was to be mailed December 15<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

**Spring Calendar:**

Mr. Ouska will send home a schedule for the spring sometime next week.

**Fundraising for color guard and drum line:**

Ideas suggested for good fundraisers included Z-Best books, See's candies for Valentines and/or Easter, Party Lite, and a painting by Maia Cummins.

Maia Cummins presented an original painting for color guard that could be done in an 11 X 14 poster and sold for \$25.00. There was discussion on this poster as well as one for MIM to be sold in Booster Sales. Maia has a company that she uses for printing but our local one, Sierra Printing, may give the Talons a better deal.

Michelle Bateman will check with Sierra Printing to see how much they would charge to print posters from an original artwork.

Z-Best runs their sales in February and Lisa Witthans is willing to coordinate this fundraiser.

Mr. Ouska will check with Becky Porter to make sure selling Z-Best books as Talons fundraiser does not conflict with other groups on the Centennial campus.

Gary Hutton motioned that the Talons membership commit to the Z-Best fundraiser for February after Mr. Ouska checks with Becky Porter. There will be a 50/50 split for each book sold by a band student, half going to the Talons' account and half going to the student's account.

2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Eli Molina

All in agreement and motion carried

**9<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation:**

9<sup>th</sup> grade orientation is scheduled sometime in March. Color guard, jazz band, and drum line will perform at this event. There will also be an informational booth for interested students.

Mr. Ouska will have the exact date by the next scheduled Talons meeting.

**Spring Fling Concert and Dinner:**

The dinner and concert will be held on Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Ouska has already reserved the gym, cafeteria, and outside quad area. We need to advertise this fundraiser.

Mr. Ouska brought up the March concert and it was decided not to charge an entry fee. He is also working on the possible involvement of band members in the Drama Department's production of *Guys and Dolls*.

**Spring Planning for MIM 2010:**

The board needs to set up dates and planning meeting for MIM in order to work on the event over the summer. Former and current chairs can mentor new parents for the event.

**Matt's Minutes:**

**Items for drum line: tenor stand, percussion instruments:**

Jimmy requested the purchase of at least one tom stand for the third tenor that he added to the show. The stand would be used for practice and pep band. Bob Lenau wanted to find out if the old stand could be fixed and if Mark Slider could try. Beth Lenau thought one stand should be purchased and deal with the other two at a later date.

Gary Hutton motioned to purchase one marching guard tom stand at the cost of \$72.99 plus tax and shipping and have Mark Slider look at the other two for possible repair.

2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Eli Molina

All in favor and motion carried

Jimmy also requested \$900.00 for props for the drum line show. Beth Lenau suggested that he check with Nicole Despot to see if there is any money available for props and then Jimmy could email the board. It was discussed that Jimmy could look through old prop in Big Red and salvage what he could to save money.

Mr. Ouska would like to use a critales for the drum line show. The cost of the instrument is approximately \$800.00 and the instrument cannot be used much in other areas of the band program. It was suggested that Mr. Ouska either rent or borrow the instrument from a different school.

**Budget approval for color guard and drum line:**

The discussion centered on how to lower the cost for participation in the color guard and drum line seasons. It was decided to treat the rifles like a school instrument and the students would have to check them out for use. Flags were discussed but not decided upon. The Talons voted in December to give \$1,500.00 for color guard and drum line to split for their seasons. The Talons will also cover the cost of the entry fees as well. Since Nicole Despot was absent, no one was sure of the profit made from the color guard booth at MIM. This total would lower the cost of participation for color guard. Mr. Ouska is still planning on taking both teams to Fresno.

**Mr. Ouska will have the total costs for both color guard and drum line by the next meeting on February 1, 2010.**

Gary Hutton motioned that color guard and drum line members would pay for the cost of their costumes. The Talons had already given the teams \$1,500.00 but would also pay for the entrance fees and give a total of \$300.00 for paint for the two floors

2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Eli Molina

All in favor and motion carried

**Estimates on drum set cases and throne:**

Mr. Ouska had two options for drum cases:

1. Hard cases: Provide better protection for storage and travel but bulkier, heavier, and more expensive. A set of hard cases would run \$952.52, tax included.
2. Soft cases (Gig Bags): less protection but cheaper, lighter, and easier to carry. The cost would be \$422.14, tax included.

Gary Hutton motioned to purchase a set of gig bags at the cost of \$422.14.

2<sup>nd</sup> motion carried by Eli Molina

All in agreement and motion carried

The throne can run from \$35.00 - \$300.00.

Gary Hutton motioned to allow Mr. Ouska to order a throne at a cost that does not exceed \$51.00.

2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Eli Molina

All in favor and motion carried

**3 pieces of music for concert band:**

Mr. Ouska needed more pieces for concert band in order to finish the show.

Gary Hutton motioned to authorize the purchase of 3 pieces of music for concert band at the cost of \$195.00 plus tax and shipping.

2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Eli Molina

All in agreement and motion carried

**Open Forum:**

Mr. Ouska will store the candy from MIM that will be given away at the spring concert.

Michelle Bateman will chair the senior scholarship committee. Michelle, Meagan Holmes, and Michelle Long will help read the applications and select the students.

Michelle Bateman will contact Vera Crawford for the scholarship information. She will get the dates and information to Mr. Ouska. Mr. Ouska will get the information to the daily bulletin. Mr. Ouska announced that Becky Porter and the ASB gave the Talons an additional \$500.00 towards the new PA system. Mr. Ouska will purchase locks for the PA system and will be reimbursed by the Talons. An engraver is needed. Bob Lenau will check with Mark Slider if he has one the Talons can borrow.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

**Next Meeting:**

**SAVE THE DATE:**

Monday, February 1, 2010

Location: Centennial Band Room

Respectfully submitted,  
Meagan Holmes,  
Secretary