

## **MHSAA Board Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2023**

The Madison High School Alumni Association (MHSAA) held its 6th Board Meeting of 2023 on September 12th in the Alumni Room at Madison Middle School. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Rick Pharris (MHS '75). Also present were Vice President Ron Nimmo (MHS '70), Secretary Jerry Armour (MHS '66), Treasurer Gale Andrews (MHS '71), Pam Nimmo (MHS '73), Bob Chaffin (MHS '66), Gail (Nichols) Swann (MHS '65) and Sandra Hollingsworth (MHS '61).

### **Minutes of Prior Board Meeting:**

Secretary Jerry Armour read the minutes of MHSAA's last meeting (August 8, 2023). Minutes were approved.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Gale Andrews reported that MHSAA currently has \$1,985.32 in its General Fund and \$3,246.44 in its Scholarship Fund. Gale added that an additional \$4,400.00 has been received and will be deposited after tonight's meeting.

### **MHSAA Scholarship Committee:**

MHSAA Scholarship Committee Chair Jerry Armour reported that all 2023 MHSAA scholarship recipients are now enrolled and that all four of the scholarship checks have cleared the bank. He thanked Bob Smith, Tim Watrous, and Gale Andrews for their good work on the committee this year.

### **MHSAA All-Class Reunion Committee:**

MHSAA All-Class Reunion Committee (Ron Nimmo, Pam (Warren) Nimmo, Gale Andrews and Jerry Armour) reported that the reunion will be held at Madison Middle School (MMS) from 4:30-8:30 on Saturday, October 7th. MMS doors will be opened at 4:30 pm, a short assembly will be held in the gym from 5:00-5:30, and a barbecue dinner will be served in the school cafeteria from 5:30-7:00. The entire school, including the gym will be open all evening and the Alumni Hall and Alumni Room will also be open to visit.

Admission tables will be set up at the door to accept (1) MHSAA dues (\$20.00)/person for 2024) and (2) Scholarship Fund donations. Dues for couples who both are MHS alumni only pay \$20.00. Forms with names, class years, addresses, emails, and phone numbers of all those joining MHSAA will be collected at the admission tables.

Announcements regarding the details of the reunion will be emailed to our email bank. The announcement will provide links to join MHSAA, reserve dinner(s) and to donate to the Scholarship Fund. There will also be payment options on the front page of MHSAA's website, offering payment via PayPal/credit card/check.

The dinner menu will be: Whitt's Barbecue, macaroni, and baked beans (buns will be provided by the Association). Utensils will be purchased from Hobby Lobby. Each paid MHSAA member will be given a meal ticket at the admissions table to present in the cafeteria. Any guests of alumni will be charged \$10.00/each for dinner. Payments for dinner are due by September 30th.

Other items discussed were:

- Ensuring there will be a school representative there to open the doors (Ron Nimmo will talk with Principal Cauthern).
- Having a security officer present (Ron Nimmo will be checking on this).

- Checking with Principal Cauthen regarding school policy (Ron & Pam Nimmo will meet with Principal Cauthen).
- Sending out an email with details about MHSAA to answer the question, "Why support the Alumni Association?"

There is an All-Class Reunion Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, 18th at 6:00 p.m. to finalize reunion plans and assign duties.

#### **Newsletter/Other Communications Committee:**

The Board has voted to form a new committee, "Newsletter/Other Communications." This committee will work toward increasing our Alumni Emails list, improving communication with alumni about reunions/alumni news/other MHSAA projects, locating individual class representatives, and involving more alumni in association projects. Pam and Ron Nimmo, Gail Nichols Swann, Rob Hancock, Jerry Armour, and Gale Andrews were elected to serve on the committee.

#### **New Business**

Election of Officers for 2024: At this meeting, the following members were elected to serve as MHSAA officers for 2024:

- President—Ron Nimmo
- Vice-President—To be determined
- Secretary—Jerry Armour
- Treasurer—Larry Odom
- Membership/Event Registration Coordinator—Pam Nimmo
- Class Representatives Coordinators—Bonnie Johnson and Kay Stafford

#### **MHSAA Golf Tournament 2024:**

Debbie Locke and Cathy (Dunn) Weidekind have agreed to serve as coordinators of next year's MHSAA Golf Tournament. Tony Crowder has agreed to assist them.

#### **Other Business:**

- Painting Additional MMS Bathrooms & Select Walls:  
Ron Nimmo has talked with Principal Cauthen about painting the additional bathrooms as well as certain hallways during the Christmas holidays. He will be organizing the manpower, supplies, and work-times of the project.
- Former Neighboring High School Rivalries Re-established:  
Bob Chaffin suggested that MHSAA contact the Goodlettsville, Litton, Dupont, etc. Alumni Associations to gauge their interest level for competing against MHSAA in friendly competitions in activities such as golf, corn-hole, and table-top football. He explained that since we all had many shared experiences, that these activities would create opportunities to renew old friendships, share memories from back in the day and improve our number of social ties today.

#### **Adjournment & Announcement of MHSAA's Next Board Meeting:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm. MHSAA's next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 6:00 pm in the Alumni Room of MMS.

Respectfully submitted:

Jerry Armour (MHS '66),  
MHSAA Secretary