MHSAA Board Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2022

The Madison High School Alumni Association (MHSAA) held its 2nd Board Meeting of 2022 on April 12th in the MHSAA Alumni Room at Madison Middle School. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Rick Pharris (MHS '75). Also present were Vice-President Roy Jones (MHS '67), Secretary Jerry Armour (MHS '66), Treasurer Gale Andrews (MHS '71) (by phone), Sandra Hollingsworth (MHS '61), and Rob Hancock (MHS '76).

Minutes of Prior Board Meeting:

Secretary Jerry Armour read the minutes of the prior meeting. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Gale Andrews reported that MHSAA currently has \$2,455.12 in its general fund and \$10,143.00 in its Scholarship Fund. \$90 was paid to Wilson Stewart (MHSAA webmaster) in April.

MHSAA Scholarship Committee:

Scholarship Committee Chair Jerry Armour reported that the Scholarship Committee has received multiple scholarship applications for 2022. Jerry further reported that the committee will be evaluating the applications and interviewing the finalists during the next two weeks. MHSAA scholarships are \$2,000/each.

2022 MHSAA Golf Tournament Committee:

Golf Tournament Chair Roy Jones reported that the committee is considering Riverside Golf Course (Old Hickory) and Hermitage Golf Course (Hermitage) as possible sites for the 2022 MHSAA Golf Tournament. Roy listed either September or October as preferable months for the tournament, with October offering a tie-in with the All-Class Reunion that month (Golf on Friday and Reunion on Saturday). He estimated that the venues would charge MHSAA up to \$80/golfer for the event. Roy will be checking for availability and costs with each site and report that information to the Board at its May meeting.

New Business:

Need for Younger Board Members

The Board has repeatedly cited the need for some of the younger alumni (e.g., those graduating from MHS classes of 1977-1985) to step into MHSAA leadership positions. This need was discussed. Solutions offered included:

- Use class contact e-mail lists to inform alumni of the dilemma and request help.
- Place a similar notice on the MHSAA website.
- Request Board members to separately contact friends from those later class years to personally spread the word.
- Request class officers to mention this need during class reunion programs.
- Place a notice in the Madison-area community newspapers.

Items to be further discussed at the May board meeting.

o Pursuit of "Memorial Foundation" & "Dollar General" Grants for MHSAA

The Board discussed and agreed to pursue application for said grants. President Pharris will be contacting the Memorial Foundation and the Dollar General Fund to request a time for us to present support for MHSAA as a possible recipient. Secretary Jerry Armour volunteered to serve on the grant presentation team.

o Alumni Room Inventory

It was decided to take inventory of all memorabilia in the Alumni Room. Rob Hancock volunteered to assist Rick Pharris, Jerry Armour and any other volunteers in this task. The Fire Department has advised MHSAA of the need to display our Alumni Room clothing items in a different manner in order to avoid creating a fire hazard. We will be purchasing a case in which to enclose MHSAA clothing items.

A pleasant addition to tonight's meeting was a visit from Madison Middle School Girls' Basketball Coach Seay. Coach Seay informed the Board of the team's recent success. The Lady Rams (1) went undefeated this year in winning the Eastern Conference; (2) beat their opponents by an average of 40 points/game; and (3) fell just 8 points short of winning the City Championship. MMS will be displaying a team photo banner in the gym. MHSAA will be making a donation toward the purchase of team jackets for the players. Terry Murff (MHS '67) will be designing the jackets.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. MHSAA's next Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the Alumni Room at Madison Middle School.

Respectfully submitted:

Jerry Armour (MHS '66), MHSAA Secretary