

# McCourt Middle School Band Booster Meeting Minutes

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Taken by Mary Alberg

The first McCourt Band Booster meeting of the 2009 school year was held on Monday, August 31, 2009 in Meeting Room 3 on the second floor at the Cumberland Library. It began at approximately 7:35 p.m. Present were Gail Dubois (president), Maria Costa, Joanna Ray (former fundraising), and Mary Alberg (new secretary).

Our new treasurer, Kathy McNulty, was unable to attend the meeting, but there is about \$2000 in the treasury. Band Boosters will decide how to spend a portion of this money on new band folders for the school year.

The lead fundraiser for Band Boosters, Joanna Ray, is moving on to the high school. This position is open. Joanna did attend the meeting and explained how she managed to so successfully raise funds over the years. She suggested soliciting businesses along Mendon Rd. and Diamond Hill Rd. and for the most part to stay in Cumberland. We probably should not solicit the same business more than once a year. Suggested businesses include: Seabra, Subway, AAA (go there 3 months ahead of time), Level Acres Farm (in South Attleboro), Salon Deniz (or other salons), CHOPS, Rick's Music. Maria Costa kindly offered to solicit several businesses. Joanna also suggested making baskets to be raffled off at concerts.

The position of vice-president is still open.

Band Boosters is hoping to send out a welcome letter to new members with a list of private music teachers attached.

Band boosters will be placing orders for band sweatshirts in November. Band Boosters would also like to continue the tradition of selling poinsettias during the holiday season. This is a major fundraiser.

There will be a Band Boosters table at the open house in November.

The Band Boosters website can be found under a link called "McCourt Band Boosters" at [www.mccourtmiddleschool.com](http://www.mccourtmiddleschool.com).

Mr. Bowser is the new band director at McCourt Middle School. He has the difficult task of organizing both town middle school bands.

Future Band booster meetings will hopefully be held at the McCourt Middle School library on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm with the band director. The next meeting will be tentatively held on October 20, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.