

The Grandview Heights Band Parents Association Minutes

January 17, 2019

Notes from the meeting are in blue. Present: Lorena Caito, Chris Herrmann, Collin Wheeler, Julie Rutter, Cathy Murphy, Elizabeth Watters, Martha Field

Secretary's Report (Martha Field, Secretary)

- Review and approve minutes from October 16, 2018 Lorena moved to approve, Collin second, all approved.
- Review report to Beth Collier

Treasurer's Report (Collin Wheeler, Treasurer)

- Treasurer's Report Collin reported a bank balance of \$41,793.10 In looking over the cake walk breakdown of income/expense it was suggested to remove the 50/50 raffle and the board agreed. Lorena moved to approve the report, Cathy second, all approved.
- Final Concession Payouts Approved by board via email on 12/1/18
- Scholarship Committee Collin reported the dates associated with the scholarship: applications due 3/1, selection made by 3/22, awards night 4/16. He will reach out to the committee members.

Committee Chairs

- Summer Uniforms – Elizabeth Watters
 - Date for sizing incoming freshmen; shoe purchase Elizabeth will size current 8th grade students in May. She recommended that parents order shoes directly from Amazon, but Chris requested that the uniform chair place one order for them to ensure uniformity, continuing the process used in the past, just from a different vendor.
- Uniforms – Jessie Mott, Karen Smith
 - Order additional? Need to check on sizes of raincoats in stock, might need to order additional sizes, along with a few additional uniforms in specific sizes.
 - Date for sizing, cleaning
 - Chris mentioned that we need to start thinking about where to store current uniforms during the renovation process.
- Concessions – Krista Voltolini, Pam Browning
 - End of season review Overall good, rain at the last game definitely cut into revenue.
 - Baseball? Lorena reported that the baseball team has approached the band about adding their concessions to our system. They presented a list of items that they want to sell, some of which we can't do because of our beverage contract. We would need to check with our buyers to make sure they would be willing to take this on. Collin suggested that we offer them whatever inventory that we have on hand and they can repay us for it, although that may not match their idea of how they want to run their stand. He stated that the band's goal in managing concessions is to help groups make more money for themselves. We would need to meet with the baseball boosters to discuss details before a decision is made. Elizabeth asked that we consider supporting

softball concessions as well. We are open to meeting with them too in order to see if it is feasible since they play off campus. Lorena moved to support baseball concessions, depending on the logistics, majority approved.

- **Cake Walk – April 5 – Cathy Murphy** Cathy reported that several chairs are in place – Elizabeth Page for Silent Auction Cakes, Elizabeth Watters for Concessions, Martha Field for Cakes in the Stands. She is thinking about relocating the kids' area from the loft, and possibly adding a table where those who didn't win a cake can purchase one.

Director Agenda (Chris Herrmann)

- **OMEA** Ten students are participating, 9 soloists and 1 trio. The entrance fee is \$185. Elizabeth moved to pay the OMEA fee, Julie second, all approved.
- **New Instruments**
 - **Digital Piano** – one was found that we already own, needs a new amp at \$405. Elizabeth moved that the BPA would reimburse the district for the purchase, Lorena second, all approved.
 - **Percussion** – new timbales, other miscellaneous pieces, total under \$400. Elizabeth moved to approve the percussion purchase, Collin second, all approved.
- **Charms** Chris and Julie are looking at replacement options when current contract runs out in May. They are raising their price without updating their software since 2006, and there have been a lot of problems using it, so we are not using it enough to justify the expense. We may need to use a combination of systems to get the features we use, including email, inventory and library, and payments.
- **Band Camp** – Contract has been sent. Changes include housing the students in a different dorm, and the pool is scheduled to be open but not guaranteed. We will hold the fee at \$250 per camper.
- **Cake Walk 2020** – due to the calendar dates for spring break and Good Friday, the only available Friday within the usual Cake Walk time frame is April 3, when the choir is in New York, which includes many band members. It was decided to hold the Cake Walk on that date anyway, because there is basically no other option.
- **Guest Clinician for Jazz Ensemble/ 8th Grade Band** – Chris reported that a former colleague of his is available for a one day clinic. Board approved via email on 1/29/19 to pay his \$200 fee.

President's Report (Lorena Caito, President)

- **Future meeting dates** March meeting date was moved to 3/28 due to spring break.
- **Old uniforms** Discussion about what to do with old uniforms currently in storage. Sell some at Cake Walk? Elizabeth requested that one be donated to the GHMC Historical Society.

Vice President's Report (Melissa Cribbs, Vice President)

Communications Secretary (Julie Rutter, Communications) Julie reported that the senior video box has no submissions. The board discussed dropping this item in the future. Band camp packets will be available at the March concerts.

Upcoming Events

- February 16 OMEA
- March 12 -14 HS Concert, MS Concert, Jazz Ensemble Concert

