

Minutes

Gaither High School Instrumental Music Boosters (GHSIMB) Meeting

Tuesday August 18, 2009

Gaither High School

1. Call to Order 7pm by Ginger Simoens, Co-President

New Members Recognized, thanked for attending and asked to be involved.

Mr. Dell thanked all instructors assisting with Band Camp

2. Minutes – Kathy Myers (No previous minutes to review – First meeting of the 2009-2010 year)

3. Officer's Reports

- a. President's Report – Stephen and Ginger Simoens
 - i. Welcome and re-introduction to GHSIMB Board
 - ii. Review of events coming up for the 2009-2010 school year
 1. GHS Hosts FBA-MPA on Nov 14th – information meeting held 8/11; next meeting to be announced, Meeting last week had 45 people attend
 2. Need help with Sub-Committees
 3. Will need all hands on deck to help. The money will go into general band fund for all the students to benefit
 - iii. New Communication Emphasis
 1. Emails – 3rd party database for better distribution/format
 2. Increase information on website, Laurie Watts' Company helping to update. Can sign up for Ray Jay on Line
 3. New Band Parent Mentor Committee, welcome new parents as see them and encourage them to be involved.
- b. Vice President's Report – Lara McCay and Desiree Felieu
 - i. Forms are on the website, you can fill in on computer and print so all can read. They need to be handed in for a grade by next Thursday.
 - ii. New badges this year - distribution. They will be different with the background of "Art in the Park"
- c. Treasurer's Report – Laurie Watts
 - i. Introduce Budget
 - ii. Vote-in Budget for 2009-2010 school year, Motion to approve budget as presented. 2nd. Approved by majority vote.
 - iii. Student account access
 - iv. Credit card payments
 - v. Update on RayJay payments from Draft Day and Bonus (RayJay discussed below under Committees) We work RayJay for Bucks games, USF games, concert,

Outback Bowl etc. Must be 17 y/o to work can have family work. Each person counts as part to add to student account

- d. Starette Liaison Report – Desiree Young
 - i. Review of events coming up for the 2009-2010 year
 - ii. They will participate in Marching, 5 pep rally's, Solo and Ensemble, Winterguard moved up to AA due to obtaining Bronze metal last year in finals for AAA
- e. Historian's Report – Pat and Linda Brammell
 - Pictures will be taken after meeting for badges
 - Pictures on Walmart.com for all functions.

4. Committee Reports

- a. Volunteers – Darcy Palange
 - i. Volunteer Hours Log Book, important to log all hours for school. We will try to place on line also
- b. Corporate Sponsorship/ Donations – Desiree Feliu
 - i. Pre-Game Meals, will feed students before each game
 - ii. Reviewed Brochures, it is a tax write off for donation. These go to general fund for band, can give gifts of service, meals gift cards, etc
- c. Middle School Night – Bonnie Leedy
 - i. T-Shirt Ad Sales/ Form, \$100 for each business card add. \$20 to childs' account. This is for 10/29 game, will need assistance the night of the program. Last year had over 400 students, trying for more this year. Form is on Website. Will feed the students Papa John's Pizza with drink and snack for \$5. Will try to get as many prepaid as possible, but they can pay the night of the game.
- d. Junior Starettes – Desiree Young
 - i. Sign-up forms, distributed. Students can get about \$15 per Jr. Starette that they recruit. They must put student's name on the form or the funds will go to the general band account.
 - ii. Camp Week / Performance Night, Camp is Saturday 9/26 from 9a-1p. Fee is \$30 Performance is Friday, 10/2
- e. Cowboy Crew – Stephen Simoens
 - i. Lowe's Grant Work, New doors are up and painted. Need handles and touch up. Need to build shelves and build out the Starette room. Volunteers needed
- f. Uniforms – Linda Brammell
 - i. Shoes
 - ii. Donations of tuxes, dresses, shoes, etc
 - iii. Need Freshman parents to learn the room and process. Freshman parents said they would assist.
 - iv. Need dehumidifier for room. Pat Bordeaux has one she will give to the band.
- g. Cowboy Outfitters – Lara McCay
 - i. New website
 - ii. Ordering items/ customizing

- iii. Order items, as the band gets funding for all things sold.
- iv. Need Collar Band Shirt to be a chaperone for functions.
- h. New Band Parent Mentors – Molly Garnet
 - i. Introduce the new committee
 - ii. Invite new parents

5. Directors' Report – Mr. Dell, Mrs. Szarowicz

- a. Welcome to Boosters/Band – Mr. Dell
- b. Welcome to Boosters/ Starettes – Mrs. Szarowicz

6. Unfinished / Old Business – none

7. New Business – Mr. Dell, Steve and Ginger Simoens

- a. Bylaw changes. Vote scheduled for next meeting.
 - i. separate Grants and Donations
 - ii. Proposed new membership status for Alumni and Associate Members
 - 1. No students currently in the program
 - 2. \$15 membership, no voting rights, may volunteer/chaperone/serve on committees as advisory positions
 - 3. Motion to approve this new membership, 2nd and majority approved vote.
- b. Instrument shortage – options to raise additional funds, purchase or solicit donations for purchasing instruments

We have a wonderful problem this year. We have more students than we have instruments. We need instruments now. We are borrowing some but need additional ones. Have paid for repairs for current ones. Those that we have are 25 years old. We are not even talking about replacements for those, we need ones to have an instrument in the hand of all students. Tuba's, Sousaphones and drums are a must quickly. Bloomingdale made about \$25,000 for FBA in 2 years. Need 3 people to work with Laurie Watts to have a proposal for the boosters next month on how we can obtain a loan, lease to purchase, etc. Please see Ginger or Steve if interested. Someone suggested a story to papers about our need. Will inquire about this.

8. Announcements – Stephen and Ginger Simoens

- a. Picnic – Sat 8/22 around noon at Lake Park (sign up due tonight) It will be further up front with 2 shelters.
- b. Trips – USF Band Day Sept 5th (deadline is Friday 8/21) and FSU Band Day is Sept 12th (deadline is Monday Aug 31)
- c. Two Thursday games this year with school the next day – Sept 17th and October 29th. Currently Oct 29th is MS Night
- d. Committees – several still open for Chair and Co-Chair positions; see us after the meeting
- e. Football program – Senior Write-Ups, Business Ads, Student Ads

- f. Senior Information needed for Football program with picture. Special e-mail will be sent out by Ginger from Becky Dowden
- g. Not sure what games we will do parking for. Information to follow.

9. Adjournment

Motion to dismiss at 8:20pm, 2nd and approved. Next meeting Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 7pm.