

# Minutes

Gaither High School Instrumental Music Boosters (GHSIMB) Meeting  
Tuesday, September 14, 2010  
Gaither High School

1. **Call to Order** at 7:00 p.m. by Co-President John Whittington. Attendance registered by sign-in sheets at the door.
2. **Minutes** – The minutes of the Aug. 17, 2010 meeting of the GHSIMB were reviewed. Minutes are on file and available through the website.
3. **Old Business – John Whittington**
  - a. The board has reviewed the bylaws and determined that allowing 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and families to raise funds for their future band fees would not necessitate a change in bylaws. The issue was discussed and approved at the last GHSIMB meeting.
  - b. The Chaperone policy was reviewed. Secretary Molly Garnett reported that Lara McCay, chaperone coordinator, has created a notebook with guidelines and sign-in sheets. Lara requests that parents contact her by e-mail the week of the game to sign up.
4. **Vice-Presidents' Report - Annie Middleton**
  - a. Annie is still collecting necessary forms and gathering information to complete incomplete forms.
  - b. Parents are to log in their volunteer hours in the green 3-ring binder in front of Mr. Dell's office. Volunteer hours are very important, because they translate into money for the organization and they validate our status as a non-profit. All volunteer activity counts, no matter the location. The board is looking into options for recording hours online in the future.
5. **Treasurers' Report – Marta Chastain**
  - a. Marta thanked parents for their timely payments, as fall brings many start-up expenses for the band for the new year. She reported that 74% of Starette fees are in, and 51% of band fees are in, noting that not all the band payments are due yet.
  - b. Parents reminded that there is a \$25 discount for having all fees paid by Oct. 1.
  - c. Marta distributed information about the new Charms System which she will also send via e-mail. Parents can sign on with a password and see all the details of their students' account, including amounts paid, dates, and upcoming costs. Information is still backed up by Marta's spreadsheets and sent to co-treasurer Lindy Pence for security.
  - d. The total amount brought in from Tropicana concessions was \$6200; \$3700 went into student accounts, and \$2500 went to GHSIMB. Details attached.

## **6. Historians' Report – Pat and Linda Brammel**

A photographer is still needed for Senior Night Nov 5, as the Brammels will be walking on the field with their senior.

A videographer is needed to tape the show during the Nov. 6 Chamberlain game. Volunteers are to see the Brammels for information and instructions.

## **7. Starettes Report – Tonia Lyon**

As of Sept. 13, there were 45 paid registrations for the Sept. 18 Junior. Starettes Camp with more coming in every day. (Last year there were 83 by camp day.) The only expenses for this event are t-shirts and snacks. Parents were invited to chaperone beginning at 8:00 a.m. The event is 9-1.

## **8. Upcoming Events and Fundraisers – John Whittington**

a. This week's game is on Thursday, Sept. 16. The flute section is bringing water. The Boosters were unexpectedly invited to do parking for this game in addition to the ones already promised; 6-8 volunteers needed beginning around 5:30. Starettes are providing dinner.

b. Photos – The composite picture will be taken outside Thursday before the game. Parents needed to dismantle the stands afterward. Individual pictures will be taken Friday, Sept. 17; parents needed to help with uniforms.

c. Middle School Night – Oct. 8 – Ads still needed for show shirt for that night. Ads are \$100 each; students who secure an ad get \$20 in their accounts.

d. Poinsettia Sale – Annie Middleton will coordinate. Plants will still be \$5 each. Delivery will be early on the Saturday before Thanksgiving, November 19.

e. Macy's Shop for a Cause Oct. 16 at Wiregrass Mall. Need people to sit at table and sell coupons for \$5 that are worth 25% off one item plus other discounts.

f. Raymond James Stadium – Lindy Pence, coordinator, provided schedules. During Bucs games, 21 volunteers are needed; during USF games, we need 15.

g. FBA Nov. 13 – Starting Sept. 21, there will be weekly meetings at 6:15 on Tuesday nights to organize ourselves.

h. Jessica (Sherrill?), a freshman parent, offered to host a car wash Sept. 25 at her workplace, 5/3 (?) Bank on the corner of Gunn and Van Dyke. Referred to the Board.

i. Chick Fil-A Night – the second Tuesday of the month from 3-10 p.m. at the restaurant across from Gaither. Shelly Sawyers is coordinating. Fliers are not necessary, but you do need to tell the cashiers that you are supporting the Gaither Band and remind them to save the receipt.

j. Water Jugs – Fifty 1/3 gallon water jugs with the Gaither Band logo have been donated by Image Depot. These were made available for sale for \$6 each.

k. A suggestion was made to have an ensemble play in front of Publix the day after Thanksgiving and accept donations. Referred to the board.

L Homecoming / Alumni Night - Oct. 15. Volunteers needed to provide cake, pins, flowers.

m. Fall concert is Tuesday, Oct. 12. Because this is the second Tuesday, the GHSIMB will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 5.

### **Director's Report – Mr. Brian Dell**

Due to the school calendar, there were limited options for dates for a band trip and therefore limited options for festivals to attend. Mr. Dell proposed a trip to Atlanta the last weekend in March. The cost would be around \$500, including a music festival, t-shirt, admission to Six Flags, transportation, all meals, and all activities (possibly Stone Mountain.) The only other possible destination is Myrtle Beach, but Mr. Dell prefers the Atlanta option. By a show of hands, parents concurred with his idea. The Board will work out a payment plan of 5 \$100 payments spread over 6 months with flexibility over the holidays.

Regarding show shirt ads, Mr. Dell suggested offering businesses a combo price that would include a show shirt ad and an ad in the FBA program.

### **Grant Awarded**

Co-Vice President John Middleton announced that Booster member Sheri Beck asked her company, Bright House Network, for a grant to support GHSIMB. Bright House responded with a \$500 check which John presented to the treasurers among much applause.

### **Adjournment**

Following a door prize drawings for a Gaither Band water jug from Image Depot, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Molly Garnett, secretary