

Minutes

Gaither High School Instrumental Music Boosters (GHSIMB) Meeting
Tuesday, February 8, 2011
Gaither High School

1. **Call to Order** at 7:05 by Co-President John Whittington.
2. **Minutes** of January's meeting were posted online.
3. **President's Report** –John Whittington -

A. **Nominating Committee** update - Per GHSIMB Bylaws, a Nominating Committee was formed last month for 2011-12 Board officers. A slate is to be presented in March for an April vote. Committee Co-Chairs Linda and Pat Bramell have begun their work and are seeking suggestions for next year's leaders. Current officers explained what their jobs entail. Some current board members are open to either another term in the same position or another term in another position, while others will not be running. All positions are open for nominations. The Board is to e-mail Boosters with information and an invitation to consider leadership.

B. **Band Trip** – Not enough students signed up for the 3-day trip, so that trip has been canceled. After discussion about various options, Boosters voted to join the orchestra in their one-day trip on March 18 to Orlando. The cost will be \$100, which includes bus transportation, a ticket to Universal and Islands of Adventure, a food/drink voucher, and a T-shirt. . Since this is not an overnight trip, siblings can travel with families separately and still participate, and families will have the option of staying extra days on their own. No fingerprinting is needed for chaperones. The board will produce a new information form.

3. **VP Report** –

A. **Golf Tournament** – Co-Vice President John Middleton reported that the Golf Tournament date will be Saturday, **May 21** at the Northdale Golf Club. There will be a “shotgun start” (players begin on different holes at the same time) at 1:00 p.m. Registration will begin around noon.

Items needed include: hole sponsors, signage, auction items and raffle items. Suggestions are: autographed memorabilia, weekend get-aways, gift certificates, golf equipment, day spa gifts, sportswear, theme baskets, etc.)

The board will produce a donation letter for businesses.

Steve Mallardi of Image Depot in Palm Harbor offered to produce brochures and signs. The brochures are to be ready for distribution to Boosters by the next meeting, March 1.

As a way to involve more students, the idea of a concurrent car wash was proposed. The board will investigate whether the golf club would allow that.

An e-mail is to go out to Boosters with a “Save the Date” announcement and encouragement to recruit golfers and solicit donations and sponsors.

B. Co-Vice-President Annie Middleton reminder Boosters that we will be collecting data on **volunteer hours** through an easy form that she will send out via e-mail. This data helps the school earn awards and helps validate our non-profit status.

C. Fundraisers – Lindy Pense has agreed to continue to coordinate concession work at **Raymond James Stadium**. Boosters were reminded that 8th grade parents can work, so current 7th grade parents can begin working during next year’s season. Boosters will also be offered the opportunity to serve as ushers at Raymond-James events next year.

The Board proposes not continuing working at Tropicana Field due to low interest and driving distance. However, there could be a possibility for the Yankees’ spring training season; the Board will explore this option.

4. **Director’s Report** – Brian Dell

The St. Olaf Band Concert on Feb. 1 was outstanding. Their director worked with our students Feb. 2 and was impressed with their musicianship and hospitality.

Upcoming events –

Feb. 11 – Jazz Festival / Jazz MPA at the Florida State Fair – tickets will be available for chaperones on Feb. 10. Students should get these from Mr. Dell.

Feb. 18-19 – Solo & Ensemble at Alonso High School. All of the times are posted on the door of the band room. Someone is needed to videotape if possible so students can have a DVD for their Master Musician portfolios.

March 8 – Pre-MPA Concert

March 11 – Concert MPA at Sickles

March 18 –Band Trip

April 9 – Northdale Fun Fest

April 30 – Host Art in the Park – we will earn \$1000

May 7 – Host Art in the Park – we will earn \$1000

May 21 – Golf Tournament

May 24 – Opus – reminder that Boosters voted to charge \$5 admission

May 27 – Banquet at Idlewild Baptist Church

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

The next **Boosters meeting will be Tuesday, March 1**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Band Room.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Garnett, Secretary