

GHSIMB Minutes- Tuesday September 9, 2008

The meeting was called to order in the chorus room by Laura Lambert at 7:00 PM

Item 1: President Report

Laura Lambert thanked everyone for all the hard work during the past two games. Personally thanked Desiree and Janeen for the pre-game meals being donated. The students really liked the food. Laura reminded everyone this is for the band and starettes only and all food must not leave the cafeteria.

Mrs Grasso and Mr. Strapp were invited to the meeting but did not show. Laura has a meeting with Mrs Grasso Thursday at 9AM.

Desiree spoke about having trouble getting large companies to donate food as they need approval and this could take some time. She does not have a meal lined up for this Friday. We will have a mom's night. We need volunteers to bring in spaghetti, salad, dressing and bread. She will need donations between 4:15 and 4:30. She also asked for ice donations. A parent suggested McDonalds they will donate if you bring your own cooler. Laura suggested we call first because we need so much. We are in need of individually wrapped snacks for away games.

Laura thanked Linda for running the Uniform Room. Uniform shirts and shorts are available for sale if any student has forgotten to bring them. Concert dresses will be ordered September 22nd and will need to be paid for by September 15th for all girls in need of a dress. Tuxedo Junction has a special price for male band students.

All forms should be completed and turned in by now. Mr. Dell will be pulling students to let them know if they are missing anything.

Item 2: Previous minutes online by Janeen Valdez

Item 3: Treasure Report

Lara or Mr Dell will need to know if you are having problems paying any band fees on time.

Lara thanked the Vickory Family for the donation of the lap top.

Motion to pass budget, First Bonnie Leedy, Second Darcy P.

Item 4: Vice President

The By-Laws have not been posted on the website yet. Mrs Grasso has a copy once returned they will be posted and we will vote at the next meeting.

Item 5: Historian Report

Only one person has been nominated for the position, Michelle Reyno. First motion Pat B., Second Robin P.

Item 6: Starette Report:

Jr Starette Performance will be this Friday. 74 girls will perform pre-game and they will dance in the first quarter. This is the biggest fundraiser for the starettes.

Item 7: Committee Reports

We are need of lots of water. All the donated water has been used. This week the Starettes are to bring 2 cases of water the section list is posted in the band room. We use 25 cases a week. Walgreens has water on sale for \$2.99 a case until Saturday. Be sure to write your child's name on the water and put in the band room.

Middle School night is coming soon. All band, starette and middle school participants will receive a show shirt. The ads we sell pay for the shirts. Anyone can place an ad it is not limited to businesses the deadline is September 18th at 8PM. Hopefully we will have around 400 students and they wear the shirt all the time is very cheap advertising. Pizza, chips, dessert and a drink will be for sale for all students for 5.00 tickets will be sold that day.

Chick Fil A night is tonight. The flyers did not get put on cars by the Jazz Band. Every second Tuesday is the fund raiser.

Please try to push the Sun trust fundraiser it is a 50/50 split. Make sure if you open an account that you use the correct Gaither Charity code so the band gets credit.

The Athletic Boosters said no to the 50/50 parking proposal. They also turned down our request to sell Chocolate Drinks, not sure what this has to do with them?

RJS- Bob spoke. We did not have enough volunteers to work the first game. More volunteers are need for Fridays Game USF/Kansas, 15 people are needed for the booth. Orchestra parents are interested in helping out, all anyone needs to do is take the test on line and sign a contract. See Bob, Deana or Lori for questions.

FSU day is Saturday Bus leaves at 7:15AM. Donations of snacks and water are needed for the bus ride. One bus will take 55 riders. Mr Dell will meet with all students going on Thursday after practice for 10 minutes.

Corporate Sponsorship is slower than expected. Desiree has called another school to find out how they handle the fund raiser. Chipotle Grill will be donating the food for the Competition November 1st. We will eat at the restaurant. Chipotle will be dropping off 1500 flyers to give out for a fund raiser they will give us 50% of all sales from 6-9PM on a day we choose. Nutrition Smart will donating a percentage all sale on the 4th Saturday and Sunday of the Month.

We will be placing the names of Companies that donate to the band on the back of the show shirt. We had a banner for image Depot at last Fridays game.

Walmart website photos- GHSIMB @verizon.net the password is password Please load your pictures on the site the kids love to look at them. You can also purchase pictures online.

Homecoming /Alumni Night- Alumni will get a shirt and sit with the band. We have Starettes interested. Information is on the website for any one interested. Bonnie Leedy will put on TBO.com. All info goes directly to Mr Dell and is private. If you know an Alumni ask them to visit the site.

Fundraising Hotdog Cart. We get 10% of all sales and do not have to do anything. We would like to offer this to the students on the nights of away games so it does not interfere with the Concession Stand. We need approval from the school. Want to know if it is possible to have it here after school for all kids to purchase?

Mr Dell spoke with Mark Watson about the bus situation for away games, could be a problem showing up on time.

Laura Lambert mentioned USF had the Trans-Si berian Orchestra out to speak and they were given a 10,000 check. She will be contacting them for information.

Item 8: Announcements

Mr Dell gave the options for the trip. Registration is due November 14th for the Inaugural Parade. If accepted we will have one month to pay for the trip. Last time they went the cost was \$100.00 per person. There were so many donations once the community heard Gaither was chosen to participate. The cost with no help will be around \$600-700 dollars. Riding a bus is the only option because of time to prepare. Leanne Duncan has found a Hotel in Alexandria. Mr Dell needs feed back. Deposits will need to be paid soon. Desiree thinks funding will come from the community if we are chosen to go. **DO NOT CONTACT MR. STEINBRENNER.** He will only help if it is his idea. Eric Hausman has connections with the Press to help get funding. Michelle Reyno has the letters form the last trip that they wrote to Congress. We have the right people to make this happen. Only one representative per State. Five or Six Bands applied last time. It is not always a band that they chose. Mr Dell will meet with the committee if we do not go to Washington. Other choices are Atlanta or Orlando this would be around Spring Break. He will try to make it as cheap as possible. St. Petersburg High is the Governors High School. Mr Dell will take all students on the Washington trip if this is where we go.

We will be having a silent action before our concerts this year. Mr Lugo has made a list for donations. A list was sent around. October 14th is our Fall concert and UT will be going us. We will be keeping this small. We will have a large auction at the Winter Concert we will advertise for this. Mr Dell suggested a raffle at the winter concert we could sell tickets during the football games (example large screen TV).

Mrs. Butler suggested selling flowers at the concert. Can we do this?

The welcome Committee last week was Brian, Sherry, Pat and Robin. Chamberlain was blown away by our hospitality. Brian roped off a section for there band, Sherry made a basket with baked goods, and Robin had freeze pops for the band. Chamberlain now wants to do this for Home games.

Fridays pre-game the band will play Battle Hymn in the place of the alma mater in remembrance of 9/11. Anyone involved or effected by this is invited to join the band on the field.

Anyone still in need of an ID badge. Thursday 9/11 is the last day Janeen will be

taking pictures. The school will be making them on Fridays during lunch times after 9/12/08.

Motion to close by Linda Brammell