

GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING November 11, 2019

The November meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Tom Jones. The first order of business was to dispense reading the October minutes. The motion was made by Shirley Emerson and seconded by Debi Johnson.

President - Tom Jones:

- A few fun facts for the past 30 days
 - 2,500 Youtube views of the 4 marching band performances
 - 7,000 visits to Grafton Band Web site
 - Thousands of views of photo gallery
 - 400 hits on the calendar
 - 700 views of the alto-sax student music page
- Thanks to Tina for taking care of meeting last month's meeting.
- Over 2500 people reached on Facebook
 - Should use Video and Photo media links for announcements/thank you;s for Tag-A-Thon next year
- Band Website received 7,000 hits

Event Dates:

- 11/20/19 – ODU Wind Ensemble
- 12/12/2019 - Band Winter Concert
- 12/23/19 - 01/3/20 Winter Break
- Spring Trip Payment #3 - \$250
 - Due Wednesday
 - Email needs to go out tonight if possible
 - Remind will be sent out on Tuesday
 - Paypal Site is ready for payment
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Band Director - Darren Kirsch

- Marching Season
 - One of the toughest marching seasons ever.
 - Thanks to all the parents. It was an amazing season when you compare to many of the other bands who are being supported with a skeleton crew.
 - Student Leadership – only have 4 returning kids
 - Excellent job by student leaders
 - The season record was 78 wins, 2 second place, 2 Grand Championships – simply amazing
 - Bitter Sweet day on Saturday
 - Long last day – but excellent day

- Thanks To Shirley and Melanie for Uniforms
- Large trailer is full but ok for storage for now
- Upcoming Events
 - Tomorrow – Jazz Band – NMASM (National Math and Science Museum)
 - Thursday – Jazz – Stephanie Guys retirement party
 - All State Jazz Concert
- ODU Concert – 11/20/19
 - They cannot tell us how many busses we can have
 - Busses will leave at 1pm - so busses can get back for middle school runs
 - He will send out a schedule as soon as he can
 - Trip will include tour of school, music dept, warm up time, eat at dining facility, performance at 7:30 and then wind ensemble ... probably 90 minutes
 - Approximate 10:15pm return
- Dec 12 is the Holiday Concert
- Next booster event will be All District Band to be held on January 11
 - Be ready to discuss District Band at Dec meeting (Erica Richards)
- Spring Trip
 - 3 people have not signed up
 - Plane info is required by November 11th
 - Total will be \$975 for trip - \$275 final payment
- Thanks for the Tabb High School ribbons (Debi Johnson and Shirley Emerson)

President's Committee

- a. Guard – Patti Cubstead
 - i. Uniforms look great and flags are clean
 - ii. Parent support was awesome
 - iii. Major thanks to Shirley Emerson for helping with sewing
 - iv. Only 7 Guard returned from last year
 - v. Winter Guard starts tomorrow; 20 yesses, 4 no, a few maybe
 - vi. Middle School Guard starts next Tuesday
 - vii. Guard is doing a fund raiser to purchase additional rifles, etc.

- b. Historian – Larry Madrigal (absent)
 - i. Video and Photos are on web site

- c. Tri-M – Amy Olson
 - i. Coventry performance - Nov 25 - 2:30-3 pm
 - ii. Nursing Home performance - Dec 6 - 2:30-3:30
 - iii. Ushering Winter Concerts
 - 1. GMS Choir Dec 10
 - 2. GMS Band - Dec 17
 - 3. GHS Choir - Dec 5
 - 4. GHS Band - Dec 12

- II. 1st Vice President – Tina Cuthrel
 - a. Oct Hours – 1,268, 85 volunteers
 - A. Pit - Mark Fry (absent)
 - B. Hospitality – Don Mann (absent)/Tara Bozick
 - a. Thanks for helping clean up
 - b. Still need shadow
 - C. Uniforms – Melanie Munn/Shirley Emerson
 - a. Marching uniforms are being cleaned
 - b. Where do we order uniform bags. Mr. Kirsch suggested they look at Uline
 - c. Need more cumber buns and bowties; they will bill the school
 - d. New marching shoe samples will be here this week; hoping to be better quality than the existing shoes
 - e. Quality of guard gloves have not been the same either
 - f. Melanie will be coming in to support concert band and Shirley will be here to support Symphonic band
 - D. Chaperones – Juanita Jones/ Jennie Hopkins
 - a. Went over list yesterday – missing a few Med forms
 - b. Called chaperones for Spring Trip – 13 chaperones
 - c. Sketched ideas for breakfast – still working
 - E. Band Camp – Jennie Hopkins
 - F. Feed the Band – Russell Kassel (absent)
 - G. Decorations – LaDonna Armstrong (absent)
 - H. Student Volunteer Hours – Debi Johnson
 - a. Still waiting to get hours for some of the kids
- III. 2nd Vice President - Melissa Madrigal
 - i. The band received \$170 for Pizza Shop
 - ii. Tag Day – raised \$30,250.52
 - iii. Bubba Shrimp Shack fund raiser will be held on December 10th (Taco Tuesday band profits 15-20% per order)
 - iv. No car wash was held this year; we may have to look at other opportunities
 - A. Concessions – Teresa Haas (absent)
 - B. Spirit Wear – Kendall Fry (absent) /Karen LaPorte (absent)
 - C. TAG Day – Ryan Olson (absent) /Amy Olson (absent)
- IV. Secretary – Shirley Coleman
 - i. Nothing to add
 - A. Webmaster – Benjamin Scott
 - a. No report
 - B. Data Entry – Benjamin Scott
 - a. Keep the messages coming
 - C. Remembrance – Jenny McCarty
 - a. Jenny had a few extra band photos. Tom asked if they could be used for donation program. All agreed

- D. Publicity – Dawn Bailey
 - a. No report

- V. Treasurer – Kim Bergstrom
 - i. Final total raised for Tag Day, \$30,210.15; exceeded goal
 - ii. Spring Trip payment #3 for \$250 due on 11/13/19
 - iii. Spiritwear – Spirit sales have been almost \$3,700 with a profit of over \$1,400
 - iv. Still need a shadow for her position next year; Shirley mentioned her husband David could potentially volunteer

- VI. New business
 - i. Printing of programs for Winter Concert; trying to limit number of printed pages – many are wasted
 - ii. Discussing utilizing a QR code and parent can print or just view on device
 - iii. Shirley Emerson suggested we provide a lower number of programs and have a program stationed at doors so attendees can review
 - iv. More discussion to follow

- VII. Next Meeting
 - a. Executive Committee – Monday December 9th @ 7 pm

- VIII. Adjournment
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