



## GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

February 8, 2021

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I. President – Melissa Madrigal (Microsoft Teams)

The meeting opened at 6:00 p.m. with Melissa Madrigal. A motion to the dispense the minutes was made by Shirley Emerson and seconded by Jenn McCarthy.

Band Director - Darren Kirsch

- York County School District Updates:
- Approved Marching Season:  
Drive in concert; Live Awards-End of the Year Awards;  
SPORTS will be starting following all the COVID-19 Protocols:  
-Q: Will the Band be allowed to play; there will be a Jazz Assessment as it stands;  
-New Normal for Band Program:  
    All State District has been canceled;  
    Jazz Band, All State Assessment is a go  
    Spring Concert will be an outdoor concert held at Grafton High School
- PPE equipment may be picked up and Medical Forms collected on Feb 18
- Student Committal Forms: Due Feb 10<sup>th</sup>; Students will have to provide their own transportation, and there will be designated parent drop off area. All information covered on the Parent Information Sheet.
- Rehearsal Location: Grafton Softball/Football field COVID-19; Protocols must be followed, students will be required to answer 5-10 questions, wear masks unless playing instrument or drinking water; social distance 6 feet apart, and practice students social distance 10 ft apart, plastic instrument covers; bell covers, etc.
- Band Fees has been reduced to \$75.00; Parents will need to pay the fee through Paypal and expect to include a small fee for processing the payment. Total &76.59. The Color Guard fee is the same.
- Kirsch addressed question for Ben regarding the Medical Form. It needs to be a Fillable form. Ben is looking into converting the form.

Mr. Kirsch opened the floor to receive questions from the group.

- Q1. – When will the Committal form be due? K. By Wednesday, 10 Feb.
- Q2. -24 Feb All District Band virtual event; the Army Band will offer sessions and Dr. Tim will do closing session for students.
- Q3.- Kirsch reported that the District has taken everything under advisement regarding Parent Volunteers. They should make a decision soon allow or not allow parents to serve as volunteers during Marching Season. No parents will be allowed at rehearsals.
- Q4.-Update on Uniforms: Students will wear a Band Hoodie/Jeans/Tennis Shoes; no band shoes will be required; the same applies for the Color Guard.
- Q5.-Cost of Hoodies: \$20.00-25.00 per student; Art G. commented that we can order the hoodies in bulk and save on cost per Student Hoodie;

- Q6.-Student Assessment Fees: Recommendation revising fees due to COVID-19 and change in band program activities; \$75.00 was the suggested fee for students. Melissa checked the budget and 20,000.00 was allocated for Student Assessment fees.
- Mr. Kirsch-Music Drill – need to get price from Alan; estimated cost is \$1500.00; students are interested in playing Super Hero (1989) style music; Instructional Fees have already been included in the budget.

II. President's Committee

- a. Guard – Patti Cubstead  
Flags are ordered for the show; guard shoes are good
- b. Historian – Larry Madrigal  
No Report
- c. Tri-M – Shannon Stark  
Not Present/Will be attending later.

III. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Tina Cuthrell

Reported 30 Hours Received for January

- A. Pit - Jeremy Brown/Nathan Hedden  
Tower will be moved to the field/K. would like have it moved to the softball field prior to the beginning of the rehearsal schedule.
- B. Hospitality – VACANT
- C. Uniforms – Shirley Emerson/Jenna Stitzel  
Students will wear sweatshirts; Kirsch requested someone to contact the Tidewater Team Sports to get quotes for long/short sleeve hoodies
- D. Chaperones – Rob Cuthrell/Sherrie Hawkins  
Connect to review Committal forms on 18 Feb
- E. Band Camp – Art Guarino  
K. reported there will be three Saturday rehearsals from 1:00-1:00 p.m.; Facilities will be available in the school for students; students will be their own water bottles.
- F. Feed the Band – Russell Kassel  
K. Students will bring their own food, or we may do a Grab & Go style sandwich/Feed the Band.

Art raised a question about the supplies in the Booster shed; K. reported he and Melissa recently visited the area and that the locks were gone, the area was cleaned and coolers were accounted for.

- G. Decorations – LaDonna Armstrong  
No Report
- H. Student Volunteer Hours – Valerie Leppa  
Not Present

IV. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Stephanie Schmuck

- Reported Pizza Shop has on-line orders set to go and Band will be set up on 23 Feb for an event;
  - Bubba is available for an event on March 25, 2021.
  - Auto Bell Carwash is also a Sponsor. Band makes profits from using the Band Code.
- A. Concessions – Teresa Haas  
No Report
  - B. Spirit Wear – VACANT  
No Report
  - C. TAG Day – Jenn Mendoza

Virtual TAG event will replace our tradition combo of TAG-a-Thon and TAG day into an expanded one day TAG-a-thon type event. Jenn Mendoza, Stephanie Schmuck and Melissa will meet in the next week to develop a plan for an event in late March. No students in cars or knocking on doors—keeping everyone safe is the priority.

V. Secretary – Shirley Coleman

Shirley reported she has old files/notebooks that needs to be given to Mr. K. She will bring the files to the front office for Mr. Kirsch. Also, she reported this will be her last year as the Secretary as her family is military and will be leaving in June 2021. Melissa added we will start providing information about positions in the Spring for officers.

A. Webmaster – Benjamin Scott

No Report

B. Data Entry – Benjamin Scott

Data entry is on-going; Student rosters are being finalized and will be provided to Mr. Kirsch as soon as possible.

C. Remembrance – Jenny McCarty

Reported that she has been thinking about Pictures for students and took a poll of parents present who would like to have pictures. There will be band photos for students participating in marching season this year. Students will wear hoodies as their uniforms for the pictures and a composite photo will be created from the individual photos.

She also mentioned Special Awards for students who made District Band, Senior Night, etc. She provided a sample picture from Woodside High School.

Mr. Kirsch added we may incorporate Awards night into the Spring Concert event. We may do Senior Night at a football game; a virtual Senior Night/football field with a Senior gift or plaque.

D. Publicity – Dawn Bailey

No Report

VI. Treasurer – Sue Fredenberg

Melissa reported and provided a copy of the Budget with proposed changes to the group. The following changes were recommended:

TAG A Thon income increased; No TAG Day income included; Hoodies/Band Camp/PPE equipment costs; \$5000 has been on uniform reserve; Student Scholarships-13,000 short (A large amount of the fees will be absorbed due to COVID-19 conditions). Our Post Office Box Number has changed to 2132 and reduced to a smaller box/lower fees. Change also will be made on the website. All old mail will be forwarded to the new box for up to one year.

VII. Old business

Tina reported that she will need to review the contents in the Medical Bag. K. recommended removing all expired item, check on any additional PPE requirements and we budget for any expenses to cover cost for PPE products masks, gloves, sanitizer, etc. Mr. K thanked Art for his donations of black masks which will be used during band rehearsals.

VIII. New business

Our former treasurer is dealing with a recent medical diagnosis. The committee decided to send a card and flowers. The budget will continued to be reviewed and updated as changes occur. Shirley Emerson will work with Kirsch on ordering hoodies and show shirts for students.

IX. Next Meeting

Executive Committee – Mar 1, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m. on Microsoft Teams

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m. by President Melissa Madrigal.

Minutes were recorded and typed by

Shirley Coleman  
Secretary 2020-2021

FOLLOW UP ACTIONS:

- \*Medial Bag contents remove expired items- Tina C.
- \*Old Minutes will be left in the front office for Mr. Kirsch-Shirley C.
- \*Tidewater Team Sports regarding costs of Hoodies (long/short sleeve)-Shirley E.
- \*Tower to be moved to the softball field-Nathan/Pit
- \*Budget Updated with new changes for fees-Sue/Melissa