

# GHBPA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 10, 2023 at 7:00

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The July 10 meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

I. President-Erica Richards called the meeting to order at 7:03pm. Nate Hedden motioned to accept the minutes from the May meeting. Shirley Emerson seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

## **Band Director-Darren Kirsch**

- Please be patient over the summer with email responses, He is not on email all day long.
- He is working to put the band program in the best possible position when he eventually decides to retire as well as keeping up with the times.
- Show update: Title is Ex Machina. Drill and music are posted on the website.
- Plans to reuse some of the props from last year in a U-shaped cube.
- Have purchased 2 sets of used flags, will use 1 set from our inventory and will purchase 2 new ones.
- Guard uniforms came in under budget and will use some of the extra funds towards the new flags.
- Looking at doing a Student Leadership camp possibly before the first music reading. Will be approximately 3 hours.
- Have a couple students who will need rides to camp.
- Used the money from the Raising Kanes opening to purchase a new cabinet for percussion equipment and repurposing the only for a new Yamaha Army Director.
- Mr. Stone is only at Grafton every other day and at Tabb Middle the other. Katie will be around a bit more as her schedule permits and we have hired a new percussion teacher.
- We have been asked to move our practice field location once school starts. Looking at new storage options as the current shed probably won't be able to move. Option 1 – Purchase a shipping container for about \$2400. Option 2 – Use ½ of an existing structure, school has asked band to pay 1/3 of the cost to put in a rolling garage door – approx. \$1000
- May have to order the red striping paint for the parking lot for band camp. Can't find it locally.
- This Sunday will send out the July newsletter in weekly message

## II. President's Committee

- A. Guard-Kim Lambright and Amanda Ashworth: Not present
- B. Historian-Joe Richards: Not Present
- C. Tri M- Mark Guynn: Looking to set up a Tri-M leadership meeting in August to get the year started

## III. 1st Vice President – Tara Leverett:

- No Report
  - A. Pit-Nathan Hedden/Shane Moore- Big trailer maintenance is currently happening. Could cost \$100-600 for complete maintenance.
  - B. Hospitality-VACANT
  - C. Uniforms-Shirley Emerson/Becky Guynn: No changes to uniforms next year. Concert uniforms are being put back in bags for uniform fittings in August. Concert Jackets are being returned from the cleaners this week.
  - D. Chaperones-Sherri Hawkins/Lenora Watkins: no report
  - E. Band Camp-Matthew Fitzgibbons: Band camp in Awesome! Checking supplies after meeting and will start requesting items in weekly emails.

F. Feed the Band-Marda French/Chris French: Have fees the Band form ready to go out. Will have out in the weekly message and put on the band webpage.

G. Decorations-VACANT

H. Student Volunteer Hours-Ebru Sorensen: Have developed a QR code for reporting hours. Adult will have student scan QR code when using student helpers. Would like to publish student hours by student number on website so students know what they have earned.

IV. 2nd Vice President – Christine Fallon:

- Looking for ways to increase fundraising capabilities – looking into the Yorktown markets, Christmas tree lighting and other possible areas

A. Concessions-Jenny and Jordan Austin

B. Spirit Wear- Jenny and Jordan Austin: have a design for spiritwear. Working with Tidewater team sports on pricing. Will have order form ready on August 1 and the last day for preorders is August 18<sup>th</sup> after the Parent Show. Will work together on pricing once we know Tidewater's cost.

C. TAG Day: Christine Rogers-Rader; not present

V. Secretary-Amy McAllister: Not Present

A. Webmaster/Data Entry-Benjamin Scott: not present

B. Remembrance-VACANT: discussed using our GHBPAs photographers for photos. Erica will discuss with historians and see if this is possible. Will also look into what it would take to produce 5X7 photo and button. Rachel Workman has agreed take on the remembrance position.

C. Publicity-Christine Rogers-Radar: not present

VI. Treasurer – Jill Marlowe: No Present but discussed the budget and the new format we are using. Answered various question from the board. Will post on the website

VII. New business:

- Mr. Kirsch spoke about potential spring trip location – looking at New York. Working with Levee about costs. No numbers yet but looking at going by flying, chartered bus or Amtrak. Will talk with seniors and make a decision.
- Time to review the Constitution and By-Laws. Will set a committee and review after marching season is complete.

VIII. Next meeting

a. Executive Committee-July 31<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00

IX. Adjournment: 8:20 pm

#### **TASKS:**

**Kirsch:** Newsletter out in weekly email, new red box up.

**Erica:** Send Feed the Band form to Mr. Kirsch, Talk with Historians about taking band photos, get on bank account,

**Sue Fredenburg/Jill Marlowe:** getting Erica on bank account and ordering new cards.

**Patti Cubstead:** deliver plaques to sponsors

**Shirley and Becky:** collect uniforms and clean

**Ebru Sorensen:** QR codes to Erica and Ben to put on Website. Talk with Ben about posting Student volunteer hours on website by their student number

**Nate/Shane:** Move tower first week in August to parking lot for band camp.

