



GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES September 10, 2018

- President – Tom Jones
 - 7:00 – September meeting called to order
 - Dispensed with the reading of the August minutes; First – Art Guarino; Second – Jenny Butler
 - Introductions to new Booster volunteers:
 - Tina Cuthrell – Band Nurse - already big help in last two football games
 - Benjamin Scott - Webmaster
 - Dawn Bailey – Publicity – Excellent work past few weeks on Social Media
 - Dave Bailey – working with Michele Nelson tonight – possibly take over Scrip
 - Note – Teresa Haas will continue to support Concessions
 - Only one remaining spot – Car Wash – need volunteer
 - Also need shadows to Critical Positions – TAG DAY and Marching Band Uniforms

- Band Director - Darren Kirsch
 - Mr. Kirsch is not able to be with us tonight - not well – here is his report
 - A very sincere thank you to all chaperones, pit crew, guard moms, uniform moms and feed the band parents for all of their time, effort and energy the past couple of weeks making sure that our students were ready to be successful at our first 2 games. We COULD NOT do it without you.
 - A special shout out to Art Guarino for making sure our kids had cold water the past week for our very HOT rehearsal. The students were VERY appreciative.
 - We have an open weekend this coming weekend followed by a home game on Sept. 21 (rising clipper night) and TAG DAY on Sept. 22. What procedure will be used to get kids to sign up for cars? (update provided during TAG DAY brief out)
 - We just got our schedule for the first competition at Hermitage on Sept. 29. It's going to be a very late night as there are about 30 bands signed up. Our performance time has been tentatively set at 9:40pm, followed by Patriot HS, followed by the Marching Royal Dukes at 10:20, followed by awards.
 - Our estimated departure will be around 11:15 with an arrival of approx. 12:45am back at Grafton. Parents should know that we do not control the schedule for this event. We are told when we are going to perform by our band size and that means we will always be near the end of every competition.

- President's Committee
 - Guard – Susan Forsgren
 - The Guard uniforms have not arrived yet and may not arrive before next football game. Need decision on what Guard should wear. Susan wondered if the Guard should wear shorts and T-shirt – will get with Mr. Kirsch.
 - Several members of Guard have quit working to fill in gaps.
 - Still working on learning all the choreography routine
 - Chaperones asked that if roster does change, they need to be notified for bus assignment sheets.

- Historian –Melissa Madrigal/Larry Madrigal (absent)
 - Do we have firm date for band expo – (Tom to ask Mr. Kirsch and get info out)
 - Historians have a person that can take video via drone at Expo. Melissa to check to see how much it would cost to video all bands.

- Tri-M – Amy Olson/Ellen Petko (absent)
 - Tri-M forms are being updated and will be posted on web – this week
 - Next Tri-M meetings (AM and PM) will be on 9/17
 - Morning meeting and Mr. Kirsch
 - Afternoon meeting with Calvin

- Vice President Support – Gail Asher
August - ~100 volunteers and over 1,400 hours
 - Pit - Mark Fry (absent, no report)

 - Hospitality – Don Mann (absent)/Tara Bozick
 - There was a lot of discussion concerning the amount of things that need to be accomplished at the Football Game 10/26 since the 10/11 game is cancelled. This includes Homecoming and Senior Night. After discussion, the committee felt they could get everything accomplished.
 - Seniors would be recognized before the pre-game
 - All Seniors including non-marching Seniors will be invited
 - Non-marchers will be Dressed in street clothes, Red Senior T-Shirt
 - For the 9/21 Football game (Rising Clipper Night), we would like to provide treat bags for the 8th graders like last year. We have a lot of cookies left over – would need to determine other items.

 - Uniforms – Debbie Frecker (absent)/Melanie Munn
 - Concert uniforms - some kids have not tried uniforms on yet – needs to happen
 - Uniform team is a little anxious – only have ONE Football game to figure everything out because there will be a competition the following week and kids will be getting ready in the dark.
 - It would be very helpful if kids could have their hair up before they get to the competition to make it easier to get the kids dressed.

 - Chaperones –Juanita Jones/Jenny Butler
 - Last 2 events went well. We have many more volunteers than when we started out, and should have enough to cover all future performances.
 - If chaperone parents come to events early to do another task, please make sure you sign up on another volunteer sheet for non-chaperone hours. Chaperone hours will be the same for all chaperones.

 - Band Camp – Jennie Hopkins
 - It's over!!!! (OUTSTANDING JOB!!! Jennie)

 - Feed the Band –Rachel Nau/Art Guarino
 - The beginning of the season had a rough start but seems to be going very well.

- Feed the Band is working to have all paperwork digital and conversation about online payments (discussed later).
 - With only 2 more events remaining for Feed the Band, would like to have someone step up to shadow.
 - Decorations – LaDonna Armstrong (absent – no report)
 - Student Volunteer Hours – Debi Johnson (absent - sent in report)
 - There were 80.75 student volunteer hours in August.
- Vice President Fundraising - Erica Richards
The Sweet Frog event brought in \$175 (excellent)
 - Car Wash - Oct 20th - 9-3 (We will need some volunteers) An on-line sign up will go out after TAG Day.
 - Concessions - Teresa Haas (absent – no report)
 - Spirit Wear –Kendall Fry(absent)/Karen LaPorte (absent – no report)
 - Scrip – Michele
 - No activity yet
 - TAG Day –Dawn Purdy/Tina Majewicz (absent)
 - Currently we have a shortage of 12 drivers and 17 chaperones
 - We were going to a paper sign-up this year because the online sign-up was very hard last year – paper sign-up was to take place this week and make sure all kids were signed up by next week
 - However, due to the storm, we will be moving to an online sign-up genius. Once school starts, we will take down the online sign-up and move to paper sign-up. Tom to ask Mr. Kirsch for assistance this week.
- Secretary – Erika Fahlbusch (absent - no report)
 - Webmaster – Benjamin Scott
 - Took over webmaster from David Hoegerman this past week.
 - Shelby Dawes will also be assisting
 - Data Entry – Andrea Goodwin (absent - no report)
 - Remembrance –Michele Nelson
 - There were 139 photos taken. We were hoping that letters would go out with photo order information. However, the storm has put communications to parents on hold.
 - Most of the buttons have been distributed - about 30 left. Michele will hold onto until after the storm
 - Photo Makeup date is Oct. 9 - for guard, 9 students that were missed, group photo and section photos.
 - Michele is working on on-field picture info via a Google Form – to be used by Mr. Stubbs to announce students and those accompanying them.

- Michele will also be taking pictures of non-marchers on the same day. They would be dressed in their Concert uniforms. The cost would be \$9 for the initial 5x7 and then families could decide if they wanted additional pictures.
- Publicity – Dawn Bailey (absent)
- Treasurer – Kim Bergstrom
 - Kim discussed adding online payments for all fees. We have seen a significant up-tick since we moved to PayPal and Square. A few changes to forms would need to be made to separate items – will be worked on later this year.
 - There was also a question regarding online payment for Spring Trip. Some research is being done concerning adding online credit card payments in addition to Square or PayPal. The item will be discussed at next Committee Meeting.
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- New business
 - Amy asked if we could look into venom (<https://venmo.com/>) automated way to send money and make purchases on mobile. Item is being researched.
- Adjournment – 8:00
Next Committee meeting will be October 8 at 7