GPS Band and Orchestra Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2015 - 7:00PM

In Attendance:

Gail Miciuda

Chris Takis

Debbie McSunas

Gerald Ferry

Hans Hummer

Cheryl Korejwo

Kay Jarboe

Mary Koukios

Introduction: Gail Micuda, Booster Club President, allowed Mr. Takis to report on two upcoming GPS Band Concerts as he had to leave shortly to attend another meeting.

The Yule Be Boppin' Concert will be held on Friday, December 11th and we will need to designate booster members to collect monies at the door, as well as decorate the stage area.

The Band-O-Rama Concert will also require booster members to collect monies at the door. Mr. Takis will be exploring the possibility of printing the Band-O-Rama Programs in-house. Students are working on the poster designs for the Band-O-Rama and will have them in by Friday of this week.

Regarding The Marching Band Uniforms, Mr. Takis reported that the Mother's Club approved a donation of $5000 for uniforms. This brings The Marching Band Uniform Fund total to ~$21,000. Our original quote for uniforms was $43,000, however, the amount required was amended to $49,000 to include rain coats due to inclement weather conditions (such as was the case at the Santa Day Parade this year).

Additionally, Mr. Takis reported that the Gridiron Club generously gave us 500 coupon books with 100% of the profits. If the students sell all 500 books, the GPS Band could potentially earn $12,500.

Mr. Takis reported on behalf of Mr. Gross. Reminder: The GPS Symphony Orchestra will be performing with Wayne State University on December 9th at our auditorium and the String Extravaganza is scheduled for December 15th.

Meeting Minutes: Mary Koukios made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from November. Kay Jarboe seconded the motion.

Pops and Pastries: Our President, Gail Miciuda reported that the Pops and Pastries Fall Fundraiser was a huge success and she thanked everyone for all of their help! She also stated that the production cost of the Pops and Pastries Concert DVD was expensive and that we need to 'rethink it for next year'.

Treasurer's Report: Hans Hummer reported that 'we are way ahead with our income compared to last year'! Despite the increase in production cost for the DVD, the Pops and Pastries Fundraiser made ~ $3,500 more income than last year. Our overall total income for this year is $17,011.78.

Fundraising: Mary Koukios reported that our next two fundraisers will be the Little Caesar's Pizza Kits and a Whiskey 6 Event (more info to follow at our next meeting). Gail Miciuda reported she will encourage more student involvement in future fundraising events and suggested forming a Student Involvement Committee.

Website: Kay Jarboe and Cheryl Korejwo updated us on the improvements of the new GPS Band & Orchestra website. The cost for upgrading the weebly account was $95.74 through October 2016. They advised that Mr. Takis would update the calendar and Mr. Gross would update the trip information on the website. Any additional information which needs to be included on the website should be emailed to either

Kay Jarboe at kayjarboe@sbcglobal.net or Cheryl Korejwo at jelyben42@gmail.com.

Meeting adjourned