**GPS Band and Orchestra Booster Minutes** 11/14/2023

1. **Welcome & Introductions** Joseph Parent
	1. Review and acceptance of previous meeting notes - call to action 7:04am

1. **Director's Reports** James Gross & Chris Takis

**Orchestra -**

* Aleus Quartet group presented on
* Cass Tech collaboration in the works with a performance - May 23rd.
* Recital with other musicians may occur in March- Steve Wogoman
* Blue Lake annual visit today and offered scholarships to kids interested.
* String Extravaganza - at North high school this year
* Thanks extended to the board for their efforts supporting Pops & Pastries

**Band**

* Thanks extended to the board for the efforts supporting Pops & Pastries
* Kristen and Leslie very helpful with providing financials
* Thanks to Helena and Lynn on website and social media
* Thanks extended to Janine for decorations
* Santa Parade - donuts and cider will be organized at Maire
* Band O’Rama is on deck for December 18
	+ Blue tarp will be placed down on the floor on Sunday
	+ Planning meeting will occur
* Yule Be Boppin
	+ Program - Mr. Takis will complete
	+ Flyer - team will assess requirements
	+ 50/50 event
	+ Ticket Sales
	+ Merchandise may be sold
	+ Light decorations
	+ Raffle items
	+ Mr. Takis reserved Cleminson Hall (7-8:30p), Auditorium and gym doors to be open
* CMU Jazz Fest - February 9th - $2500 budget
	+ Motor Coach needed
		- Mr. Takis to present cost to the board
		- Last year was $1800 (?)
		- Recommendation to partner with the school district vendor
		- Kids bring their own lunch or they pay for their own lunch

**Director’s Q & A**

* No further questions noted at this time

**3. Committee Discussions Group Discussion**

* Committees
	+ - Pops and Pastries
			* Retrospective occurred last week to discuss opportunities
			* Preliminary expenses - $4,500
			* Income $16,571
			* Profit - $12,000 (ish)
			* Thanks extended to the board and volunteers
				+ Thank you notes planned for disbursement
			* Need to start in the month of June with delegated tasks before school dismisses for the school year
			* Table rental prices increased this year; may want to consider alternate sources
			* Plan a summer board meeting for P&P planning
			* Do not wait until the new board is installed to begin planning P&P.
			* Auction recommendation to bring in-house versus virtual
		- Fundraising -
			* Yule Be Boppin- Auditorium$200 Budget
				+ Francesca and Noah to schedule a planning meeting
				+ Set up two tables
				+ Tickets sold at the door: $5
				+ 45 minute concert
				+ Two volunteers recommended plus 2 adult volunteers
				+ Download the square app

ACTION -> Need Apple Squares

* + - * + Merchandise available for selling
				+ Consider small reception with water and cookies in Cleminson Hall

ACTION -> Need to ensure Cleminson Hall is reserved

* + - * Marching Band Fundraiser - $338.69 (paid for banner)
				+ Senior Photo
				+ Senior Marching Band Photo
				+ Janine to partner with Mr. Takis on how/where to hang the banner

ACTION -> Mr. Takis to reach out to Ella Taylor to pull down the banner and provide to Janine Eckert

* + - * + Thanks extended to Lynn for the graphics
			* Second Renew - NEW This year! (estimated profit to be $1200-$1500)
				+ Clothing donation
				+ Helena did a great job marketing
				+ Grosse Pointe News posted for free
				+ Positive feedback on student volunteers working the event
				+ Majority of donors were non-GPSH community members
				+ Had 25 of our own band/orchestra families donate
				+ Each truck is about $400 - actual dollars are yet to arrive
				+ We filled 3 ⅓ trucks in one-day.
				+ Recommend future event to be a weekend.
				+ Social Media posting was a huge enabler.
				+ For persons not on Facebook…need to communicate in other streams (i.e. eMail, Flyer, GPSouth Communicator, Sign Up Genius)
			* Freshmen Class
				+ Increased population of freshmen parents posing an interest in our band and orchestra
			* Holiday Merchandise Fundraiser
				+ Orchestra already has their own SWAG (i.e. sweatshirt/hoodie)-Mr. Gross buys them and gives them to the kids
				+ Lynn has graphics to help with Merchandise fundraiser unique to the holiday
				+ Jazz Band to be included
				+ Mr. Gross to partner with Janine on “I’m with the Orchestra”...

ACTION -> Mr. Gross to send vendor partner to Janine

* + - * Little Caesar’s Pizza Online
				+ 50% of sales
				+ 50% go to kids for trip credits
				+ Senior students will receive a gift card
			* Mr. C Carwash (2 weeks) - $30 [$15 go to boosters]
				+ Minimum sell per each kid to sell
				+ Good for teacher gifts, holiday gifts
			* 8th Grade - will work toward opportunities toward the end of the year
			* Detroit Tiger -Concession Stand volunteer opportunity
				+ Have to commit to 20 games and 12 volunteers per game
			* Pickleball Event
			* Flats of Flowers
			* Millionaire Party- Janine partnering with Renee Jakubowski
				+ Opportunity to be $12,000
				+ Gaming opportunity

Gaming Hall-VFW (1)

Gaming Hall #2

Gaming Hall #3

* + - * + October through December [pick dates from a lottery in September]
				+ Need 2 people for two shifts per day (12 people) - 4 hour shift

Volunteers go to the gaming hall to sell chips

We obtain 100 percent of sales

We bring seed money

* + - * + Make $3000 every weekend
				+ Need insurance, tax forms
				+ May need to assess
			* Michigan Football Game
				+ Concession volunteer opportunity
				+ Commit to 3 games (Football, Basketball, Soccer)
				+ Need 15 people (student age 16 year and older) per game
				+ Make about $3000 a game
				+ Need insurance from the office to cover travel for the school to cover
		- Communication & Social Media
			* Thanks to Helena
		- Spring Concert May 21st, 2023
			* Brownell
			* Need planning committee
			* 50/50 Raffle
			* SWAG
			* Plan to start planning in January

**2023-2024 Calendar for Band & Orchestra**

* Upcoming Event Planning/Dates

DATE EVENT LOCATION

December 15 Yule Be Boppin GPS

December 18 Band-O-Rama GPS

December 19 String Extravaganza GPN

* **Upcoming Events/Dates**

DATE EVENT LOCATION

* January 20 MSBOA Chamber Rochester HS
* January 25-27 MI Music Conf Grand Rapids, MI
* February 3 MSBOA Solo & Ensemble Rochester HS

**4. Treasurer Report** Leslie Lundahl

* Presentation of October 2023 Check Register, Cash Flow Reports, and Budget Discussion

**5. New Business**

* **Spirit Pack**
	+ Albatross embroidery in process of manufacturing - eta is before the holidays

**6. Old Business**

* **Member At Large :** Represent their modality ; recommend to ensure roles are titled appropriately in program materials

**7. Adjourn -** 9:03pm

**NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME:** December 5, 2023, 7:00 pm Cleminson Hall

**2022-2023 Parent/Public GPS Band Orchestra Booster Meeting** **Dates**

~~September 12, 2024,~~ ~~October 3, 2024,~~ ~~November 14, 2024~~

January 9, 2024 February 6, 2024 March 5, 2024

April 2, 2024 May 7, 2024 JUNE *TBD*

**ALL Meetings -** The first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm Cleminson Hall