**GPS Band and Orchestra Meeting Minutes**

October 6, 2015

In Attendance: Jennifer Semanision Gerald Ferry

Mary Koukios David Fleig

Hans Hummer Laura Orme

Gail Miciuda Kay Jarboe

Cynthia Sohn Debbie McSunas

Chris Takis Allyson Andrews

James Gross Karen Koelzer

Janis Garan Dan Garan

Lisa Caradonna Alyssa Campbell

**Welcome:**

Gail welcomed everyone to the meeting. She reminded everyone that October is a busy month for the B&O.

**Meeting Minutes:**

Mary moved to approve June minutes (which had not been approved yet). Cynthia Seconded. Cynthia Motioned to approve August 31 minutes. Hans seconded.

**Treasurer's Report:**

* Hans Hummer said that Booster membership has increased. Last year our membership income was $8,000. This year we are close to $11,000.
* Hans stated that uniform fees were $2,500. But lots of people skipped the mandatory cleaning fees at registration. It was suggested that we match the names and collect.
* The Ecclestone Memorial Fund is at $6,258. By the time all incoming funds are collected it should be up to $8,000. Cynthia added that the Athletic Boosters will be giving $937 from Run the Pointe proceeds.

**Mr. Takis:**

* The deadline to register for MSBOA for the ensemble even is October 30th.
* He thanked Lisa Caradonna for driving him to the Homecoming parade and letting the band members leave coats in her car.
* Mr. Takis and Alyssa showed off the marching band banner.
* Mr. Takis showed off both designs for the marching band uniform.
* He has started a "go fund me" page.
* The quotes for band uniforms are about $40,000 total. We will advertise this on facebook and have a table at the last football game if possible (where a uniform can be displayed).

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**Mr. Gross:**

* We had Tri-M aduitions. There will be 5 vocalists and 5 instrumentalists at the upcoming concert and induction ceremony on October 8 at 7:00 PM.
* This weekend Honors Orchestra will be held at Oakland University. Several students in the orchestra will be attending.
* Students are signed up for All-State auditions on the 28th and 29th.
* We are trying to find ways to replace instruments in our district. There has been no line item in the district music budget in the past few years. So the department is hoping there will be a budget surplus or a grant that will help them replenish the instruments.

**Fundraising:**

* Mary Koukios said we might have a 50/50 at Pops and Pastries and district events.
* Mary is leading the charge for two social events this year.
* There will be a silent auction at Pops and Pastries.
* Mary asked if anyone had anything they donate to please do so.
* There will be a meeting next Tuesday at Mary's house.
* Mr. Gross will send out information regarding the silent auction donations soon.

**Membership:**

* Jenny Semanision said we have 70 members and 3 alumni members for 73 total Booster Members.
* We are trending upward with membership. The level change from last year might have made a difference.
* There was a discussion of disc recordings at Pops and Pastries.

**Pops and Pastries:**

* Chris Fenton (Assistant Superintendent) will be emceeing the event.
* Mr. Takis will print the tickets on cardstock.
* Pastry donations will be needed.

**Communication:**

We will try to get information regarding domain and website in order to update our website.

**Banquet:**

It looks like Blossom Heath will be available for May 31. (Tuesday)

**Fruit Orders:**

Fruit orders are going home next week. The sale will start.

**Amazon Smile:**

Gail says the Amazon Smile campaign is up and running.

**Kroger:**

Debbie McSunas says she will take over managing Kroger fundraising.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM**