

Graham Band Parents Organization
August 3, 2015
High School Media Center

7 members were present

The meeting was called to order by Randy Oder.

Misty Crockett passed out the minutes from the July 6th meeting. Members were given a few minutes to read the minutes. Danielle Oder made the motion to accept and Angela Wahl seconded. Motion carried.

Anita Csikos read the treasurer's report for July. Opening balance was \$35,066.35 and closing balance was \$28,500.75. Angela Wahl made the motion to accept and Lorraine Bowman seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Band Festival

- ❖ Danielle Oder confirmed the times with the Sherriff department. There will be 2 deputies from 6:00 – 10:00 pm and 2 deputies from 6:30 – 10:30 pm. They will assist in traffic control after the festival. Payment is due to them the evening of the festival.
- ❖ Danielle also spoke to Don Burley about additional bleachers. He is going to check with other schools to see if we can borrow some. Danielle is also going to check with local rental companies to see if anyone rents them out.
- ❖ Thirteen alumni have committed to being chaperones for the bands. The parents of field commanders have not yet been contacted about chaperoning GHS.
- ❖ Custom Sportswear: trophies are \$1.50 per inch and plaques are \$30.
Shirt Shop: trophies are \$1.00 per inch and plaques range from \$17 - \$28 depending on size
Danielle also showed an etched glass trophy that her work place purchased. The cost of these would be approximately \$30. Danielle Oder made a motion to purchase the etched glass trophies for the band festival. Angela Wahl seconded and the motion passed.
- ❖ It was suggested that the tickets for Graham say Graham Student and all students get in free.
- ❖ The Noble Family is making the signs. They will be finished by the end of August. Anita Csikos is to send out a remind message to see if any parents are interested in ordering one.
- ❖ Anita Csikos also volunteered to paint wood signs for festival advertising.
- ❖ Danielle shared the quotes from Shirt Shop and Custom Sportswear for t-shirts to be sold at the festival. Angela Wahl made the motion to use Custom Sportswear and Danielle Oder seconded. Motion carried. It was stated that seniors need to get a design for the shirts created as soon as possible as it needs to be approved by Mr. Cooper and Mr. Hurst.
- ❖ Jennifer Noble is in charge of concessions. She will send out a letter requesting help.

- ❖ The flag will be raised before the starting of the festival.
- ❖ Vote for your favorite section
- ❖ Do we want to pass out a spirit award? What type of award should it be?
- ❖ We need someone to set up and run the swag table. Lorraine Bowman recommended making sure we have plenty of buttons made up beforehand as they are a big seller. Also, to have logos available to personalize the cow bells for each school. To safeguard those working the table, 2 people should always be present.

The band ad for the fall and winter sports programs has been approved by officers and paid for. It will be the same ad in both programs containing dates for the festival and ice cream social. Cost was \$210.

Director's Report:

Mr. Cooper is ready for the new season to begin. We have 45 members this year plus the band manager and 2 banner carriers. The band's first performance will be the 2015 Champaign County Fair. This year, Triad and possibly West-Liberty Salem will be joining Graham to play the Star Spangled Banner.

We have the profit by student info from Yankee Candle and it will be submitted to Bright Spark soon. The \$118 for the bus has been paid to Bright Spark and applied to student accounts.

Mr. Cooper said that he found the packet of information received from Olentangy Orange last year to be the most helpful band festival packet. He would like to send out a similar packet to the participants of our festival. Misty Crockett volunteered to help put together the packet.

New Business:

200 Club winners for July 2015: Mindy Stevenson, Lorinda Myers, Jan Cooper and Tom Kies

Misty Crockett suggested purchasing new uniforms in larger sizes for next season. Last year we purchased 8 jackets and 6 pants at an approximate cost of \$3500. Nothing was decided upon.

Discussion was held on the t-shirt design for parents and family members to purchase. Discussion was held on whether to put the season schedule on the back or the band logo. It was also suggested to have 3 choices available for the shirt color. Randy Oder suggested we share our design ideas via email.

Lorraine Bowman volunteered to chair the fall mum sale. Danielle Oder made the motion to work with Chateau Farms again for the fall mum sale. Cost of potted plants will be \$10 and hanging baskets \$15. Our profit will be approximately \$5 per plant. If approved by GHS, the sale will begin August 21 – September 4, 2015. Product to be delivered around September 10. Angela Wahl seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. A reminder was made that ½ of the profit will go into the student's account.

Due to Labor Day, the September meeting was changed to Tuesday, September 8th at 7:00 pm in the high school media center.

Band festival meetings have been scheduled for Friday, August 21st and Monday August 31st at 6:30 pm. Anita Csikos is going to send out a remind with the meeting dates inviting parents to attend.

Angela Wahl made the motion to adjourn. Lorraine Bowman seconded. The motion passed.