

Graham Band Parent Organization
November 2, 2015
High School Media Center

7 members were present.

Vice President Doug Csikos opened the meeting. President Randy Oder was detained in traffic.

Secretary minutes were made available to those present. Members were given a few minutes to read through the minutes. Lorraine Bowman made a motion to accept the October 2015 minutes. Krista Cahoon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was provided to all in attendance. Treasurer Anita Csikos went through the report. Opening balance was \$39,465.10. Closing balance was \$34,061.10 Cindi Buell made a motion to accept the October 2015 Treasurer report. Krista Cahoon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director's Report

Mr. Cooper thanked the Band Parents & families who helped with the season. He felt it was a great success.

Mr. Cooper also thanked the parents who assisted in helping with the lunch for OU Band Day. It was what he had hoped it would be.

The Band Banquet is Thursday, November 5. The food assignments will go out later on Remind so all parents are aware.

The Varsity Show is Tuesday, November 10.

The following are important Band Dates:

- McAuley Center Christmas Parade (Urbana) – December 1 at 7 pm
- HS Christmas Concert (MS) – December 17 at 7 pm
- HS Solo & Ensemble (Milton Union Schools) – February 6
- Large Group Contest – March 11 or 12
- Ice Cream Social – May 11

Final Atlanta payments are due November 13!

Chaperones to Atlanta that are traveling separately – the Fagan's have volunteered to drive their vehicle. They can fit 7 passengers. This is not a final decision on transporting these chaperones. If anyone has any other ideas he would be open to them. A brief discussion was held about providing money for the gas expense for these chaperones. It was mentioned that these chaperones did not pay as much for the trip as the chaperones riding the bus.

The President Randy Oder was able to join the meeting during the Director's Report.

Old Business

Parent T-shirt/Sweatshirt Sale:

- ❖ 38 t-shirts & 23 sweatshirts were sold. There was a discussion held about purchasing more to sell for other years. There were also 2 orders that were mailed into the PO Box instead of handed to Danielle. The additional t-shirts could be put on the swag table and sold at the Ice Cream Social. The order forms could be put in the Freshman Packet. It was decided to take orders at the Band Banquet.

New Business

200 Club winners for October were: Loren Stahl, Brian Clymer, Lorraine Bowman, and Gary Hall.

It was discussed that one of the winners from August had passed away. His wife returned the check to the band. Anita will contact her to see how she would like to handle this.

Band Banquet will be setting up at 5 pm on November 5. Mr. Cooper will check to see if we are able to have the room sooner.

Misty Crockett is heading up phone book delivery this year. There was a suggestion to pass out the books at the Banquet. It was also suggested that Saint Paris be split into 4 different areas. Anyone willing to help contact Misty.

New interest in the Organization. President Randy Oder suggested that the Organization start reaching out to the parents of Jr High Band. He suggested a meeting in Jan – March time. This meeting would give an overview of the Freshman costs, places they performed, and a general what is expected from them. Mr. Cooper agreed with the idea. He thought the best way was an information letter from GBPO to the parents via the Band Department. Danielle suggested passing out letters at the MS Winter Concert. That however is a combined choir and band evening. Cindi suggested instead of having a different night to have the informational meeting during a regular GBPO meeting.

GBPO is in need of help. Several of the seniors are the parents who have helped for years. There are also juniors whose parents who have helped for years. There was discussion about ways to do encourage people to help. There was no set way to accomplish this.

Lorraine Bowman mentioned how excited she was to see the football team & the band participate in the activities after the Urbana win. It was great to see them together.

A question was asked about why not every child had raincoats at the Kenton Ridge Band Festival. Mr. Cooper said that all Band Members had raincoats at the Festival. The raincoats were out for Homecoming. There were many putting them away and they did not all get put back in the appropriate place.

Danielle Oder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Krista Cahoon seconded the motion. Motion passed.