



Godwin Band Booster Meeting Minutes: September 13, 2021

Attendance

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| Derek Ramsey | Bob Trull | Rachel Angel | David Samson | Melissa Spaulding |
| Cindy Fournier | Melinda Gold | Jen Joss | Jacob Krieg | Robin Lownsbury |
| Maureen Mandeville | Nancy Neely | Martha Shippee | Diana Trull | Kim Winn |

At 6:34 PM, the meeting was called to order and minutes were approved from the August meeting.

Mr. Ramsey Update

Details for the Hermitage Competition will be sent out soon.

The Spring trip is still pending decision, with no decisive answer yet. If it is approved, no money will go through boosters. Payments will be made directly to the organizing agency.

Treasurer's Report

Operating Budget (Funds in and out): \$32,599.85

Savings: \$16,932.71

82% of Booster fees have been paid so far.

David Samson shared this year's budget tracker, which was discussed line by line.

Jen Joss will provide David with a breakdown of the Invitational Expenses.

Committee Reports

Uniforms / Maureen Mandeville:

Glove and shoes came in today. All will be sent home with students, including their Bibs.

Alterations can be done by hand, or through VIP Cleaners, who will charge a discounted rate of \$7.00. A uniform alterations and care card will be sent home with students.

Chaperone / Robin Lownsbury:

Time changes for volunteers were communicated in last newsletter (home vs away games). There will be three buses for away games. Mr. Ramsey will make seating charts for buses for COVID tracing. Masks will be required on buses.

Equipment / TBD

Trailer was inspected. Avery Neely has volunteered to drive the trailer.

Color Guard / Beth Austin:

Nothing to report from Beth.

Per Mr. Ramsey, the guard will be ordering new uniforms and flags, approved by Mr. Mitchell. Costs are within their budget.

Godwin Invitational: 16-Oct-2021 / Jennifer Joss

Kevin Ruff has volunteered to assist the EMT and first aid tent. Henrico County will arrange for emergency medical services on site. There may be a cost, but it has not yet been defined.

The competition format has been changed to accommodate 2 separate group sizes. This will help with traffic and parking flow, as well as crowd control.

Groups A and AA will perform and be judged first. They will then depart. Then Groups 3A and 4A will arrive, perform and be judged. Police presence will be on site for transition in both groups.

We will need about 14 volunteers in shifts. Once the schedule is set, Jen will put together the signup genius. Jeff Austin will assist with traffic and will coordinate with Jen. There will also be volunteers needed for Friday before the event for setup.

Kim Winn is now the Concessions Chair and is working on details. Jen has been coordinating with Athletic concessions to discuss. Athletic Concessions will buy back anything we don't use. GAA and PTO may be interested in helping in volunteering. Kim and Jen will follow up.

There was discussion on taking payments with credit cards, in addition to Venmo. Suggestions included using our square account. Martha will investigate with her contacts on referral codes and Jen will discuss with GAA.

Robin has good plans for the Judges hospitality meal. Items may include BBQ, coleslaw, mac n cheese, chips, granola bars, etc. In addition to dinner, there will be grab and go snacks. Vendor "Pie Y'all" might be used for individual size pies. Quotes and details are in progress.

Hospitality tents were approved: 2 tents from Walmart. \$270 + tax. Each 10 ft x 30 ft tents. Storage will need to be arranged. Tent lighting may not be needed, but will be researched. Tents will be a good investment for the band for use in other events.

Invitational budget was discussed briefly. Judges fees will be paid out of registration fees from bands. Trophy fee estimate is still pending. Minor fees will be included for things such as nametags, walkie talkie batteries, etc. Robin will need large upfront costs for judges' meals.

Ways and Means/Fundraising / Rachel Angel & Martha Shippee:

Spirit Nights:

- The Panera Spirit night raised \$60.00.
- Oct 13th – Glory Days – there is no flyer, but there will be a box for receipts at Glory Days.

Invitational Sponsors:

So far there may be as many as 90 sponsors.

Rachel is setting up PayPal and making sure sponsors are notified with letters for tax deductions.

\$25 for student shout outs will be advertised on social media and newsletter for inclusion in the program. Venmo is preferred.

Strawbridge will be taking pictures. A date has been set for full band picture. Details will be shared later.

November Giving Campaign – more details will be shared after the Invitational.

Spirit Wear - Martha

There was discussion to sell band spirit wear, like in years past.

Martha will check with vendor for cost on Sweatshirts, t-shirts, string bags, etc.

Game Day Meals / Diana Trull

Signups okay – October is light. All has been going well.

October 8th is homecoming, with vendor providing dessert. No need for dessert sign-up for that event.

Photography / Barry Krieg

Pictures are up from Friday night's game (Atlee home game).

New Business

The next band booster meeting will take place on Monday October 4th @ 6:30 pm. Virtual meeting. It will be held a week earlier than usual to plan for invitational.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.