



Godwin Band Booster Meeting Minutes: November 15, 2021

Attendance

Derek Ramsey	Bob Trull	Rachel Angel	Melissa Spaulding	Beth Austin
Cindy Fournier	Melinda Gold	Merrill Gold	Julie Gordon	Jennifer Joss
Barry Krieg	Robin Lownsbury	Maureen Mandeville	Caryn Ruff	Martha Shippee
Diana Trull	Jill Vaughan	Kimberly Winn		

At 6:04 PM, the meeting was called to order and minutes were approved from the October meeting.

Mr. Ramsey Update

The tentative Disney spring trip was not approved for us to attend. Our focus is on the winter concert, with district auditions in January 2022. There will be no formal gathering or refreshments after concerts at the school.

Per Mr. Ramsey, senior awards will be presented at the spring concert, with no need of a formal spring banquet. There was a lot of discussion about a community gathering for all students, and in what form that would be. There was also a lot of discussion about Letter Jackets and stars for participating years. Mr. Ramsey would like to introduce different ways to recognize students, or put a spin on old traditions in our post-COVID environment.

The consensus was to send out a survey monkey to collect thoughts and ideas from parents and students and what is of value to everyone to create new traditions or reinvent old ones. Survey results will be discussed in 2022.

Mr. Ramsey requested a per diem conference budget for a 3-day trip to Norfolk for the All Virginia Jazz Concert with one of our students. He requested \$150 total for meals, etc. which was approved by the board.

Treasurer's Report

Operating Budget: \$41,145.00

Capital Budget: \$16,934.00

The audit was submitted and the liability insurance was renewed.

David Samson is in the process of submitting 501c3 supporting information for our tax returns.

The budget line items were shared and approved. Income amounts will be added and factored in later.

A question was raised on prior band trip submissions for outgoing seniors who will not pass onto another sibling. Most would be rolled into the operating budget. Discussions regarding the student accounts will be discussed later.

Dave Samson is addressing those families that have not yet paid the booster fees.

Committee Reports

Hospitality / Vacant

A solicitation is going out for any volunteers interested in organizing any spring events for seniors.

Godwin Invitational / Jennifer Joss

The Invitational was a great success – thank you to Jennifer and everyone who participated. We have a great foundation for future years.

The net income from the Invitational, including Showcase Concessions was approximately \$14,000.00. There were a lot of lessons learned (parking, etc.) that we will factor into next year. We will need more lead time for sponsorships, starting discussions in January/February 2022.

The online program shared 4500 times online. The website for next year is all set to go! All thank you notes have been sent to sponsors, GAA, etc.

Jennifer Joss received useful feedback from the Survey Monkey from both students and parents.

GAA Concessions was a great assistance. (Allison and Andrew). To show our thanks, perhaps the band can offer to volunteer to assist them in volunteering in concessions at baseball games, etc. to pay it forward.

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

Rough totals were shared for various fundraisers this fall:

- Carwashes: \$4,100.00
- Panera: \$60.00
- Glory Days: \$150.00
- Clean Eat: \$160.00

We may do a larger spirit night in the spring in lieu of a spring banquet – discussions are in progress.

Spirit Wear - Martha

Marching band spirit wear unit costs have been negotiated. Martha will reach out with details and the order will be placed by Friday 11/19. Venmo payments are encouraged.

Photography / Barry Krieg

Barry captured family shots and a group shot of seniors from Senior night. Barry will provide photo prints for seniors. The printing cost is approximately under \$100, which was approved by the board.

New Business

The next band booster meeting will take place on January 10 @ 6:00 pm. Virtual meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.