



Godwin Band Booster Meeting Minutes: March 28, 2022

Attendance

Derek Ramsey	Bob Trull	Rachel Angel	Melissa Spaulding	Felicia Ainsa
Beth Austin	Melinda Gold	Weihua Guo	Robin Lownsbury	Maureen Mandeville
Nancy Neely	Caryn Ruff	Martha Shippee	Diana Trull	Kim Winn

At 6:03 PM, the meeting was called to order and minutes were approved from the February meeting.

Mr. Ramsey Update

The spring concert is on May 19th and details will follow later. Families should review the calendar, as there have been a lot of updates.

Mr. Ramsey was contacted by a 2019 graduate, Olivia Ellsworth, to support a fundraiser for DCI (Drum Corps International) participation. She needs \$6,000.00 by May in order to march with The Cadets. After discussion, it was decided that the Boosters will not be donating or funding anything in an official capacity. However, we will share the information for individuals who wish to donate privately, or share with other alumni who may have attended Godwin with Ms. Ellsworth.

On May 24th there will be an in-person marching band interest meeting with Mr. Ramsey to welcome potential newcomers. It was communicated after the meeting that current and incoming board members should be present to talk with the parents, introduce themselves, and talk about the boosters etc. Current students should also attend to chat with incoming students. Details will follow later.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning: 41,299.58
Operating Budget: \$38,687.32
Savings Account: \$16,935.27

Dave Samson confirmed that there are four families with unpaid booster dues and meals. He will follow up with the appropriate families. Dave will cross-check membership with eligible board candidates and Tim Sullivan scholarship applicants.

Mr. Ramsey noted that the keyboard for jazz and marching band is no longer operable. He requested approval to purchase a new keyboard. Dave will follow up with Mr. Ramsey on available funds for this purchase and the Board will approve prior to the April Booster meeting.

Dave will connect with Robin Lownsbury on budget line items for the end of year party to better determine ticket prices.

Dave will also provide Mr. Ramsey with budget line amounts for awards, including senior plaques, and Sousa awards, etc.

2021 Upcoming Events

End of year Band Party:

The end of year party will be on June 2nd for all band and color guard members. Ticket information will be shared later. Please contact Robin Lownsbury if you want to help out.

Barry Krieg will put together Memory books with keepsake of pictures for each senior. Non-senior students may be able to purchase for a fee. Details will be shared later.

Tim Sullivan Scholarship Assessment:

This is a blind assessment that will award two \$1,000.00 scholarships to the winners. The application is now live, with a May 13th submission deadline.

2022 Needs

Invitational Sponsorships:

Sponsorships were discussed briefly. Fast Signs might be used again. A local U-Haul franchise might want to be sponsor. Bob Trull will get the contact information to share with Rachel Angel.

Executive Board Election / Committee Leads:

Thank you to those that have stepped forward to be a part of the board elections in April. All positions are open, and any questions can be directed to the officers for role details, etc. The biggest need is Secretary.

Committee descriptions are being updated on our website to show uniformity and reflect current responsibilities.

A question was raised on holding Booster meetings in person. There was consensus on keeping them virtual for convenience and flexibility to call in, etc. There was also discussion on the value of meeting in person to foster relationships with new members to encourage volunteer participation, etc. Parent mixers were mentioned, as well as holding in person meetings in August/September to connect with new parents. More will be discussed with the new Board members for next year.

New Business

The next band booster meeting will take place on April 25 @ 6:00 pm. Virtual meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.