

**GH Band Boosters Board Meeting Minutes**  
October 18, 2018 at 7:00 pm

**Attendees:** Nita Prabhu, Susan Harper, Deb White, Carrie Cassidy, Carla Wilson, Tobey Lopez, Maria Williams, Brian Myers, Jacki Poovey, Susan Bock, Jen Milazzo, Angelo Milazzo, Maria Calabretta, Barbara Molnar, Mirjam Gordon, Wendy Pizzo, Diane Pape, Shilpa Surkhund, Pia Hall, Kathleen Neff, Gil Araya, Dave McGowan

**7:04 pm Call To Order**

Carla Wilson

Motion to Approve the [September 20, 2018](#) Meeting Minutes

- ☐ Motion made by Carrie, Seconded by Angelo, and Motion Passed.

**Marching Band Update**

Nita Prabhu

- ☐ A lot has happened! Munchkin Night/8th Graders went great. They had fun. Going into Gaffney was a little off putting because we didn't have rehearsals- Prelims didn't go well but it was a pleasant surprise we made it into Finals. We all are good with what we did on our Final Run. Rehearsals have been more intense since we are amping up to the upcoming competitions.

**Director's Updates**

Brian Myers

- ☐ Mr. Myers expressed how proud he was of last weekend's performance at Gaffney. The students were super excited even though they were nervous and that was because of all the hard work our marching band community did putting in so many hours from getting the props ready, sashes sewn, and just everything ready. The kids felt good going into Gaffney without having rehearsal time prior to this weekend. Gaffney was a Special Day! The Roadies did an incredible job. We are ½ down competition wise.
- ☐ The letter from the three band directors was well received. The News/Media wants to do a "Piece" on the Bands of Cary, and how we support each other.
- ☐ The day after Gaffney I/we were able to visit with the judges and get their critiques. They gave us some good feedback. Our show is now finished! We have changed alot and it's beautiful.

**Treasurer's Report**

sent by Rick Muise

[October, 2018 Treasurer Report](#)

## Old Business:

Vote in Fundraising Chair-Patron & Corporate Donations Carla Wilson

- ❑ Committee Motioned, Seconded and Approved Jackie Poovey as Fundraising Chair-Patron & Corporate Donations.
- ❑ Jackie asked what the time frame was for the \$8,000 Goal? Tobey suggested she get with Daphne. Diane said she would share the google doc with Jackie.

Update on Yard Sale Carla Wilson

- ❑ The yard sale will be held on November 17th.

DVD versus CD sales of band performances Gil Araya

- ❑ Gil informed the committee that we would need different types of licenses; 1 for audio which is called a technical license and are cheap; and 1 for video which is much more involved. Discussion ensued among those in attendance. Deb suggested we sell the audio for \$20 and put all 3 concerts including Jazz on it. Susan H suggested we could presell and also sell during the 8th Grader Night. Tobey said Dave could place a Button on the band website for CD orders. Discussion on whether we wanted 2 CD's 1 with Fall & Winter concerts and 1 CD with Spring & Jazz.
- ❑ Decision was made that Gil will record the Winter Concert.

## New Business:

Table at Homecoming Carla Wilson

- ❑ Possibly sell MB spiritwear? TBD after Wendy checks inventory.

Competition Travel Carrie Cassidy

- ❑ Gaffney trip went well. The van situation went well. We plan to do the same thing for Delaware in regards to renting a van for chaperones. Carrie said she wanted to clear any questions or side conversations which had been circulating about chaperones not being able to ride on the buses and that a van was being rented. We are renting vans for the chaperones which has been discussed and documented in previous board meeting minutes; this year's budget was based on 180 marchers and we currently have 158. Due to the shortage of marchers we are ~~-\$30,000~~. We decided to use 3 buses instead of 4 and rent a van which saved us money.
- ❑ Tobey asked that anyone who has questions regarding decisions, etc. to please reach out to the person in charge of that committee.

- ❑ Mr. Myers followed up by saying every decision we make has been carefully thought thru with all consequences possible taken into consideration. We want to make sure we do what is right and safe for our marching band community.

#### Fruit Fundraiser

Tobey Lopez

- ❑ The fruit fundraiser is kicking off on Monday. We'll have 2 ½ weeks of selling with delivery around Thanksgiving. Band always orders extra. The gift boxes are popular. We'll have a Link on Nextdoor & FaceBook. This is a 90/10 fundraiser.

#### Chaperoning

Tobey Lopez

- ❑ Chaperoning is going well. We need chaperones for afternoon rehearsals. We need 2 more chaperones for Indy. Kids are doing great at rehearsal. Snacks have lasted through camps which is what we wanted. Please remind your students to carry their own medical bags and we ask that students need to eat and drink before coming to rehearsal-some of the students are hungry coming into rehearsals. Folks seem to be following the parking rules when picking up their marchers. Gaffney was great! Thank you to everyone for signing up and going.

#### Grant Application

Angelo Milazzo

- ❑ We found a grant that is worth checking out. Depending on how we structure this we could get \$7,000 with this application. The Deadline is November and it requires our full budget for 3 years. Angelo said if we decide to move forward he is willing to work with Daphne & Rick regarding the financial requirements. Mr. Myers asked if they are asking for our Operating Budget? He explained that all bands are self funded. Tobey suggested that Angelo reach out to Lloyd as he may be able to help. Angelo said the Final draft will go to the Board.

#### Indoor Percussion & Guard

Susan Harper

- ❑ We are working on the winter budget.

#### Walnut Creek Concerts

Kathleen Neff

- ❑ We made good money this year. Total of \$36,000 with \$2,000 going to the band. We are still looking for someone to step up and take this position otherwise we may not be able to reup our contract for next year.

#### Website

Dave McGowan

- ❑ The website is stable. Susan said they needed to talk prior to registration for Indoor & Guard.

Concert Attire

Shilpa Surkhund

- ❑ Asked if we could separate the checks from the forms which are being dropped into the green box.
- ❑ Asked if we could just stick to checks and not student accounts.
- ❑ Mr. Myers said we could add it to the electronic order and eliminate paperwork. He said we will coordinate and get that up.

Senior Gifts

Jen Milazzo Maria Calabretta

- ❑ Senior gifts (blankets) were given out today. We will work on senior night.

Uniforms

Mirjam Gordon

- ❑ Requested that uniforms be unloaded in a way that she has access to them so they can be cleaned before Grand Nationals. Uniforms will be gathered and cleaned the Monday after Sanderson.

Go Play Save

Deb White

- ❑ She will be at school tomorrow to collect money/books from the band kids. She plans to get the spreadsheet to Daphne next week. We are ready to close GPS!

**Next meeting is scheduled for November 1st at 7:00pm in the Media Center.**

Motion was made to adjourn & passed at 8:15 pm.