The January meeting was called to order at 7:06. The first order of business was to dispense with the reading of the December minutes. The motion was made by Art Guarino, seconded by Erica Richards with unanimous approval.

#### **Band Director – Darren Kirsch**

Mr. Kirsch gave thanks for the incredible work to support District Band auditions. 45 Grafton students were selected with 15 students being eligible to audition for all-state. The All-District band will be held at Kecoughtan High School on Jan 31, Feb 1 with the concerts being held on Feb 2.

Six students are participating in the Virginia Tech Honor Band.

Due to significant cost, decision was made to not participate in the CNU Honor Band and utilize some of the funds (\$200) set aside for this honor band to assist with the Virginia Tech event.

Verizon will no longer support text messaging with Remind App – however, we can continue to utilize the Remind App.

Spring Trip payment due today – working to take all 96 students. Mr. Kirsch will send home paperwork soon regarding the shows. Room and bus sign ups will take place 1<sup>st</sup> week of February.

## **Guard – Susan Forsgren**

No guard club this week

## Historians – Melissa Madrigal, Larry Madrigal (Absent)

Historians will be placing VBODA photos on website

## Tri-M – Amy Olson (Absent – report submitted)

Meetings Wed AM and PM – 2 elementary and 1 nursing home performances

#### 1st VP - Gail Asher

December volunteer hours – 426 hours from 22 volunteers

## Pit Crew – Mark Fry & Mike Ramsey (both absent – no report)

Everything is inspected and ready to go Plan to move the tower soon

## Hospitality - Don Mann & Tara Bozick (absent)

District audition hospitality came under budget.

Next event is spring awards 5/19

#### Uniforms – Melanie Munn (absent) & Debbie Frecker

First Tuesday in February will check all closets and racks.

Guard uniforms are back from cleaning

Would like to get a cost for cleaning guard uniforms several times during year

## Chaperones – Juanita Jones & Jenny Butler

Starting on Spring Trip

Parent meeting needed for Spring Trip – 2/11 before Exec. Mtg.

Paperwork to go out 2/4

## Band Camp – Jennie Hopkins (absent – no report)

None

#### Feed the Band - Rachel Nau and Art Guarino

Nothing new

## Decorations – LaDonna Armstrong (absent – no report)

## Student Volunteer Hours - Debi Johnson (absent)

None

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> VP - Erica Richards

Papa Johns made \$350 at Winter Concert
Districts – 1,200 students registered; 927 students participated
91 volunteers - 376 hours

## Concessions - Teresa Haas (absent)

Concessions made \$471 at District Auditions. \$184 worth of inventory leftover.

Mr. Kirsch to discuss if leftover inventory can be used for musical; include popcorn and flowers

## Spirit Year – Kendall Fry and Karen LaPorte (both absent – no report)

None

## Scrip - Michele Nelson

Updating Scrip form on website

#### TAG DAY - Dawn Purdy / Tina Majewicz (both absent - no report)

None

## Secretary – Erika Faulbusch (absent – no report)

None

## Webmaster - Benjamin Scott (absent)

No issues

## Data Entry - Andrea Goodwin (absent)

None

#### Remembrance - Michele Nelson

Is looking to turn Senior Award Form into Google Form

#### Publicity - Dawn Bailey (absent - no report)

#### **Treasurer – Kim Bergstrom**

Collecting Spring Trip payments and paying bills

## **New Business**

None for website

## Next Executive Committee Meeting will be held February 11 @ 6pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:53

The February meeting was called to order at 6:03. The first order of business was to dispense with the reading of the January minutes. The motion was made by Art Guarino, seconded by Erica Richards with unanimous approval. The president then thanked everyone for meeting early as the Spring Trip parents meeting was to start at 7:00. He also stated the nominating committee had been established for the year including Susan Forsgren, Erica Richards and Gail Asher. Information will be forthcoming in weekly messages.

#### Band Director - Darren Kirsch

Mr. Kirsch provided the following calendar updates:

- Wind Ensemble practice scheduled for Feb 25<sup>th</sup> has been moved to Feb 27<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm
- Wind Ensemble practice scheduled for March 11th has been moved to March 12th 6-8pm
- There are (16) students that qualified to go to all-state auditions. However, (4) were not able to attend.
- The cost for Grafton Band students to attend all-district band was \$996
- The cost for (12) students to attend all-state additions is \$1,500
- The pre-assessment concert is March 5<sup>th</sup>
  - o Jazz @ 6:30
  - o Concert Band @ 6:45
  - o Symphonic Band @ 7:15
  - o Wind Ensemble @ 7:45
- VBODA Assessment March 13-14 @ Warhill HS

## **Guard – Susan Forsgren**

- Winter guard camp started
  - Middle school 3-4pm
  - High school 4-5:15
- The goal is to be part of Bruton exhibition in the spring

#### Historians – Melissa Madrigal, Larry Madrigal (absent)

No report

## Tri-M – Amy Olson

- No report

#### 1st VP - Gail Asher

- Volunteer hours
  - Jan 514.7 hours from 90 volunteers
  - 420.3 hours for district band from 89 volunteers

## Pit Crew – Mark Fry & Mike Ramsey (absent)

Tried to move tower several times – vehicles became stuck due to ground ... will try later

## Hospitality - Don Mann & Tara Bozick (absent)

- No report

## Uniforms - Melanie Munn & Debbie Frecker (absent)

- Mr. Kirsch asked if we could check to see how much it would cost to add shorts for football games where the band is not wearing uniforms. They could be used under uniform all year.
- Melanie checking with Tidewater team sports

- The goal is to only add ~ \$5.00 to the band fee.
- Some parents mentioned they would want more than one.

## Chaperones - Juanita Jones & Jenny Butler

- Preparing for Spring Trip
- Chaperones for Spring Trip named
- Info will be going out for contacts shortly
- Students should be preparing now for what they want to do in NYC

## Band Camp - Jennie Hopkins (absent)

No report

#### Feed the Band - Rachel Nau and Art Guarino

- No report

## **Decorations – LaDonna Armstrong** (absent)

- No report

## Student Volunteer Hours - Debi Johnson (absent)

No report

## 2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Erica Richards

- Car Wash is scheduled for Sat June 2<sup>nd</sup>, the first opening for First Stop Auto
- Erica to talk to Harley Davidson to see if we can add another car wash

#### Concessions – Teresa Haas

- Getting ready for drama April 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13th
- Setting up sign up genius

## Spirit Year – Kendall Fry (absent) and Karen LaPorte (absent)

No report

## Scrip - Michele Nelson

- No report

#### TAG DAY – Dawn Purdy / Tina Majewicz (absent)

- No report

#### **Secretary – Erika Faulbusch** (absent)

No report

#### Webmaster – Benjamin Scott

- No issues – everything going well with website

#### Data Entry – Andrea Goodwin (absent)

- No report

#### Remembrance - Michele Nelson

- Michele met with photographer, mentioned that we might not have access to school

- Question could they do photography on Saturday game day (all sessions)
- Received all spring awards stuff from Laura; everything inventoried
- Mr. Kirsch to work with Michele on certificates

## Publicity - Dawn Bailey (absent)

- No report

## **Treasurer – Kim Bergstrom**

- Kim provided financial statement and walked the executive committee through the annual finances

#### **New Business**

- Mr. Kirsch/Michele looking at reusing trophies running out of older trophies
- Might give away larger trophies or might have to purchase new ones

## Next Meeting will be held March 4th @ 7pm -

Meeting was dismissed at 6:32



## **GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

## March 4, 2019

The March meeting was called to order at 7:05. The first order of business was to dispense with the reading of the February minutes. The motion was made by Art Guarino, seconded by Erica Richards with unanimous approval. The president gave thanks to the nominating committee as almost all GHBA positions for the 2019-2020 year now have candidates. The remaining spots include Secretary, co-chair for Chaperones and shadows for the following positions: Tri-M, Tag-Day and Treasurer. The weekly message will have this information included over the next few months.

#### **Band Director - Darren Kirsch**

Mr. Kirsch provided the following calendar updates:

- Pre-Assessment March 5
  - Jazz Band 6:30pm
  - o CB/SB 7:15pm
  - Wind Ensemble 7:45pm
- Assessment March 13 Wind Ensemble
  - Call time 5:45; performance 8:30; arrive at Grafton 10:45pm
     Note: Concert will be complete by 9:30 and parents can take students home. However, they
    must turn in a note to the bus chaperone and arrange for instruments to get back to school or
    take them home.
- Assessment March 14 Concert Band / Symphonic Band
  - Call time 5:45; performance 8:30; arrive at Grafton 10:45pm
     Note: Concert will be complete by 9:30 and parents can take students home. However, they
    must turn in a note to the bus chaperone and arrange for instruments to get back to school or
    take them home.
- Juniors have English 11 SOL on Wed and Thursday. If the Thursday schedule does not work, a make up exam can be taken on Friday.
- Spring Trip NYC March 21 24
  - Chaperones provided info at 5:45 meeting
- All State Band
  - o 6 students made it; also have (1) 1st alternate and (1) 2nd alternate
  - Cost for All-State approx.. \$2,060; need to review budget for funds
- Summer Update
  - High School Gym and Central area will have work performed this summer
  - There will also be electrical and generator work
  - No power or water from June 17<sup>th</sup> August 16<sup>th</sup>
  - o Band room will be worked on in 2020
  - o Mr. Kirsch is reviewing options for Band Camp ... at Grafton and other locations

#### **Guard – Susan Forsgren**

- Winter guard camp started
  - Middle School 3-4pm
  - High School 4:00 5:15
  - The goal is to be part of Bruton Exhibition in the spring; requires Med Form

## Historian - Larry Madrigal (absent)/Melissa Madrigal

o Melissa to take picture of All-State participants tomorrow night

## Tri-M – Amy Olson

Need a shadow for next year

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Gail Asher

- Waiting for everyone to turn hours in
- o There are at least 60 volunteer hours for February

## Pit - Mark Fry (absent)/Mike Ramsey(absent)

o No Report

## **Hospitality – Don Mann/Tara Bozick**

No Report

#### **Uniforms – Debbie Frecker/Melanie Munn**

Need a shadow for Concert Uniforms next year

## Chaperones – Juanita Jones / Jenny Butler

- Had chaperone meeting tonight for Spring Trip planning going well
- Have assessment under control

## Band Camp – Jennie Hopkins (absent)

o No Report

#### Feed the Band -Rachel Nau (absent)/Art Guarino

- Need to figure out how to feed the band next year Band Camp
- Looking at options Chick-fil-A; Subway

#### **Decorations – LaDonna Armstrong (absent)**

No Report

#### Student Volunteer Hours – Debi Johnson (absent)

No Report

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Erica Richards

No Report

#### **Concessions – Teresa Haas**

- Planning concessions for 3 night shows Play
- o Erica assisting with sign up genius

## Spirit Wear – Kendall Fry/Karen LaPorte (both absent)

No Report

## Scrip – Michele Nelson

No Report

## TAG Day – Dawn Purdy/Tina Majewicz (absent)

o No Report

## Secretary – Erika Fahlbusch (absent)

No Report

## Webmaster - Benjamin Scott

No Report

## Data Entry – Andrea Goodwin (absent)

o No Report

#### Remembrance – Michele Nelson

- o Jenny McCarty will be shadowing in preparation for taking over next year
- o Michele has ordered the letters, stars and pins
- Google Form for Bios needs by to be ready during week between assessment and spring trip –
   Mon, Tue March 18-19; Ben Scott has form set up

## **Publicity – Dawn Bailey**

No report

## Treasurer - Kim Bergstrom (absent)

• No report

#### **New business**

- Date for rising freshmen night will be May 13<sup>th</sup> with the Booster meeting; 6:00 Booster Meeting and 7:00 rising Freshmen / parent meeting
- Spring Trip final payment is \$125; total is \$875
- Tom to send Email out tonight

#### **Next Meeting**

Next Executive Committee Meeting – Monday April 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm

## Adjournment - 7:45 PM



#### GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

April 8, 2019

The April meeting was called to order at 7:09. The first order of business was to dispense with the reading of the March minutes. The motion was may by Gail Asher, seconded by Dawn Bailey with unanimous approval. Erica Richards was presiding over the meeting in the absence of Tom Jones, GHPBA president. The 2019-2020 Executive Board Slat was announced – Tom Jones – President, Tina Cuthrell – 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Melissa Madrigal – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Kim Bergstrom – Treasurer, and Shirley Coleman – Secretary. The Vote will be at the Spring Awards Concert on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. Looking for a chair/Co-Chair for Chaperones and Car Wash. Looking for shadows for Tri-M, Tag Day, Treasurer, Uniforms – Concert, and Band Camp. The weekly message will have this information over the next couple of weeks. Will do a turn over meeting either June 3<sup>rd</sup> or July 8<sup>th</sup> depending further discussion with current president.

#### Band Director - Darren Kirsch

Mr. Kirsch provided the following updates:

- All-State was April 4, 5, 6 in Richmond
  - o 6 Band students, 2 orchestra and 2 choir
  - o It was a great experience with great music
  - Big thank you to Susan Forsgren who stepped up and helped during the event when Mr.
     Kirsch was called away on an emergency
- Currently holding Guard, percussion, and drum major clinics in preparation for next fall
- Concert Bands will have 2 rehearsals prior to next concert
- Spring Concert and Awards will be Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>
- Go see the Spring Musical, Bright Star, this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday (April 11, 12, & 13)
- Following next Committee meeting will be Rising Freshman Parents evening at 7 pm.
  - Would like to have fee form ready to go
  - Have updated Medical form
  - Need laptops for student information form
  - Would like to have all forms finalized by May 1st
  - Looking to raise marching band fees from \$175 to \$190 (lower if possible)
    - Would like to purchase shorts as part of the uniform.
      - Looking into options trying to keep cost down
      - Due to early football games may wear then potentially for 3 performances
    - It was proposed that we itemize what the fees are for on the fee sheet, to include, the photograph, photo button, t-shirt, shorts, etc.
- Building update
  - o This summer 11 of 13 schools are having some type of work done
  - Only Bruton and Waller Hill are not affected
  - Looking into using St. Luke's or Yorkminster as options

## **Guard – Susan Forsgren**

- Winter guard continues
  - Meets on Tuesday
  - Working on Bruton Expo performance
- Guard clinics are on Wednesday and Thursday

- o Tryouts for next year's team will be first week in May
- Working on an online picture inventory of equipment
  - Looking at quantity and resale-ability of item
  - o Hoping to begin to help support the team financially beginning next year

## Historian - Melissa Madrigal/Larry Madrigal (Absent)

• No Report

#### Tri – M – Amy Olson

- Applications need to go out soon for this year's new member candidates
- Have available in class April 15<sup>th</sup>, also available on the website and will send out through weekly message
- Applications due May 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Encourage student to attend Spring Awards Concert and Awards for induction
- Have some upcoming performances/ushering/opportunities
  - 2 elementary school performances
  - 1 Nursing home
  - Ushering for Spring concert
  - Assist Middles school Petting Zoo
- Dates will be sent out for upcoming volunteer opportunities

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Gail Asher

- There were 1098.2 volunteer hours for the month of March
- 951 hours were for the Spring trip

## Pit – Mark Fry (Absent)/Mike Ramsey (Absent)

• No Report

#### Hospitality – Don Mann/Tara Bozick

- Starting to think about the Spring Concert and Awards
- Sign-Up Genius out by late April
- Same as last year

#### Uniforms – Debbie Frecker/Melanie Munn (Absent)

- They have purchased 200 plastic hooks that go over the uniform hanger to hang the cape hanger on
  - To prevent the cape hanger from misshaping the uniform jackets
- Following the Spring Concert and Awards, racks will be available in the band room for Seniors, exchange students and those moving out of the district to return their concert uniforms
- Have asked that the Chaperones for graduation help check in concert uniforms and take them home to launder them following the event

## Chaperones – Juanita Jones/Jenny Butler

- Thanked the spring trip chaperones
- Working towards Rising Freshman night
- Gearing up for next year
- Thinking forward to graduation in June
- Thanked by board and Mr. Kirsch for their hard work for Spring Trip

## Band Camp - Jennie Hopkins (Absent)

No Report

## Feed the Band – Rachel Nau (Absent)/Art Guarino (Absent)

No Report

## **Decorations – LaDonna Armstrong (Absent)**

No Report

## Student Volunteer Hours – Debi Johnson (Absent)

No Report

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Erica Richards

- Nominations will be posted this week for next year's board
- Elections will be held at the Spring Concert and Awards on Sunday, May 19th

## **Concessions – Teresa Hass (Absent)**

Debbie Frecker is purchasing flowers and preparing on Thursday for the spring musical

## Spirit Wear – Kendall Fry/Karen LaPorte (Both Absent)

No Report

## Scrip - Michele Nelson

- Will place and order for after prom and any end of year cards
- Sweet Frog is now available in \$10 denominations

#### Tag Day – Dawn Purdy/Tina Majewicz (Absent)

- Tagathon will continue to be during band camp despite the potential location change
- Potential Tag Day Dates
  - o September 14th
  - October 5<sup>th</sup> Raindate
  - Will check with the office for testing schedule

## Secretary – Erika Fahlbusch (Absent)

No Report

## Webmaster – Benjamin Scott

- The website google calendar was empty so filled it in with information
- Also update with current school district calendar

## Data Entry – Andrea Goodwin (Absent)

No Report

## Remembrance – Michele Nelson

- Still missing 2 senior band and 2 guard student information sheets for the Spring Concert and Awards
- Started on preparing awards letters and stars
- Mr. Kirsch is working on his portion and will have completed soon
- Discussed photos for Marching band

- Depends upon use of band room
- o Potentially Thursday, August 29th

## **Publicity – Dawn Bailey**

- No Report
- Asked by Mr. Kirsch to look into putting something about our All-State members into Our Neighbor paper

## **Treasurer – Kim Bergstrom**

- Please turn in all Spring Trip expenses/receipts
- Please turn in any outstanding receipts
- Discussed using square reader for taking in 2019-2020 band fees
  - Would charge an additional amount to cover service fee potentially \$5
- Will get together with the President to work out use of square for accepting Band fees for next year.

#### **New Business**

- Discussion regarding Bingo ticket counter
  - Susan Forsgren made a motion to sell the Bingo ticket counter for best offer.
  - Juanita Jones seconded
  - Unanimous approval
  - Hoping to bring in at least \$200
  - Gail has a lead with World Class Gymnastics
- Our fundraising code at the Mega Car Wash on George Washington Highway is still active
  - Asked to put it out in weekly message pollen season is upon us
- We also received a large donation from a family of former student
  - Dawn is preparing a Thank you for the family
- Rising Freshman night Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm
  - o Mr. Kirsch will secure 5-6 laptops for night for student information forms

#### **Next Meeting**

Next Executive Committee Meeting – Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

## Adjournment - 8:18 pm



## **GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The May meeting was called to order at 6:02. The first order of business was to dispense with the reading of the April minutes. The motion was may by Gail Asher, seconded by Debi Johnson with unanimous approval. The Spring Concert and Awards ceremony is this Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> which will include voting on executive positions for next year. Once again, thanks to the work of the nominating committee. The band will also be playing at graduation on June 14<sup>th</sup>. The boosters will hold their turnover meeting on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. We are still looking for volunteer shadows for Tri-M, Tag Day, Treasurer, Uniforms/Concert Band, and Band Camp.

#### Band Director - Darren Kirsch

- Need to clear everything out of 3<sup>rd</sup> floor 10 boxes of white uniforms
- Summer update
  - o Band room closed on June 14
  - o Will not be able to get back in until sometime in August or Labor Day Weekend
  - o There will be limited access into the band room requires Mr. Kirsch or Mr. Stone
  - o The middle school band instruments and school pianos need to be stored in band room
  - Band Camp will be held at St. Lukes United Methodist Church. We will not be able to have night schedule so both full weeks of band camp will be during the morning. We will need to figure out how to feed the band during band camp – will need additional parent help.

## Guard - Susan Forsgren

- Guard Expo this Friday at Bruton HS
- Currently have 22 kids on squad. Will hold second audition with goal of getting to 24

#### Historian – Melissa Madrigal/Larry Madrigal (Absent)

- No items to report

#### Tri – M – Amy Olson (absent)

No report

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Gail Asher

No items to report

## Pit – Mark Fry (Absent)/Mike Ramsey (Absent)

- No items to report

#### Hospitality – Don Mann/Tara Bozick

- Still need a few more volunteers for Awards Reception

## Uniforms - Debbie Frecker/Melanie Munn

- Debbie found shorts for \$5; cotton with pockets; will be working this week

#### Chaperones – Juanita Jones/Jenny Butler

- No items to report

## **Band Camp – Jennie Hopkins**

- Questions regarding band camp; where to put food, can tents be set up and left
- Mr. Kirsch working details for band camp

## Feed the Band – Rachel Nau (Absent)/Art Guarino (Absent)

- No report

## Decorations - LaDonna Armstrong (Absent)

- No report

#### Student Volunteer Hours - Debi Johnson

No report

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Erica Richards

Final Car Wash being planned for Saturday in June

## Concessions – Teresa Hass (Absent)

- Concession for the Drama production went very well. Thanks to the volunteers that worked the concessions table the evenings of the production. Flowers were a hit, but we did have ~3 bouquets remaining at the end of the weekend. Next year need to use the Square for credit card payments. We made \$398.97 in profit with \$68.72 remaining in inventory. Will have candy and soda to provide to Band Camp coordinator for sales.

## Spirit Wear – Kendall Fry/Karen LaPorte (Both Absent)

No Report

#### Scrip - Michele Nelson

- After prom placed a nice Scrip order ... big thanks
- Looking for a replacement for Script

#### Tag Day – Dawn Purdy/Tina Majewicz (Absent)

Tag Day planned for next year - Sep 7<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Sep 28<sup>th</sup>

## Secretary - Erika Fahlbusch (Absent)

No report

## Webmaster - Benjamin Scott

- Web software upgraded and converted to secure protocol
- Requested to update band calendar

## Data Entry - Andrea Goodwin (Absent)

No report

## Remembrance - Michele Nelson

- We are good for Sunday
  - Certificates, plaques shipped today will be Thursday; coming UPS
- Looking for input for above and beyond
- For those coming to concert might need volunteers

## Publicity – Dawn Bailey (Absent)

- No Report

## **Treasurer – Kim Bergstrom**

- Need all receipts
- Last day of school want everything paid before then
- Audit around July 4<sup>th</sup>
- Need to set up meeting for budget
  - Last week of May

#### **New Business**

- All annual reports for Board members are due. Please send in a report that provides overview of the activities accomplished throughout the year.

## **Next Meeting**

- June 3<sup>rd</sup>

## Adjournment – 6:46



## **GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

The June meeting was called to order at 7:04. The first order of business was to dispense with the reading of the May minutes. The motion was may by Art Guarino, seconded by Erica Richardson with unanimous approval. The president thanked everyone for attending the "turnover meeting" realizing that normally the meeting was held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday. However, with the sports banquet taking place on June 9<sup>th</sup>, the band meeting was moved. The final two remaining events for the year include the car wash scheduled for June 9<sup>th</sup> from 8 to 1 and graduation on June 14<sup>th</sup> at 9am. The president thanked committee members for turning in "end of year" reports which are very helpful for new members. The new committee members were notified email addresses would be transferred from exiting members to entering members and they would receive an email confirmation. There was a reminder that we are will looking for shadows for Tri-M, Tag Day, Treasurer, Uniforms/ Concert Band, and Band Camp.

#### Band Director - Darren Kirsch

- Thanks for all the parents for volunteering including exiting and entering parents.
- The scholarship info is being finalized.
- Events for the remainder of the year
  - The baccalaureate will be held in the Kiva on Sunday @ 4:00 with several band students playing
  - On June 11<sup>th</sup>, the seniors will be going to "Go Ape" for the senior event. The cost is \$65 for each student. The GHBPA provided \$500 leaving a cost of \$25 for each student.
  - o Graduation is on Friday, June 14th at 9am
    - 6:45 am call time; will be back here at noon
    - Kids should come dressed; bring garment bag; leave clothes here
    - Bring something clean to eat on the bus, i.e. a pop-tart, etc.
    - 5 busses 106 kids going
    - No York County bus paperwork required
  - Marching Band Show for 2019 has been finalized
    - The show is titled "SOS" with themes of shipwreck; stranded; rescue;
    - Parts will be posted on web site shortly
    - Percussion will start practice at the end of June
    - Drill will begin 2<sup>nd</sup> week of July
    - Music will include Salvations Created; Death Hunt; Sound of Silence; Muller's 1<sup>st</sup> symphony 4<sup>th</sup> movement
  - No update on band camp still at Saint Luke's
  - Need to talk to Mark Fry about scaffolding
  - Some parents complained Spring Concert was too long. Mr. Kirsch reminded us that the
    concert used to be held on 2 nights with end of year concert on one night and then awards
    ceremony on another night. This created many conflicts with sports. That's why the concert
    was moved to Sunday. If parents have strong concerns, please bring other options to the
    Directors. Note, the attendance was excellent

## Guard - Susan Forsgren/Patti Cubstead

- Winter guard performed in showcase
- The Guard brought in 4 additional members which makes 5 alternates
- 1 alternate moved up
- This makes a total of 21 primary guard members and 5 alternates

## Historian – Melissa Madrigal/Larry Madrigal (absent)

No report

## Tri -M - Amy Olson

- There will be a Tri-M meeting Wednesday after school in band room
- For people in National Honor Society, they will need to attend afternoon Tri-M meeting
- In regards to positions for next year, she will be taking student input and then talk to Kirsch

## 1st Vice President - Gail Asher(absent) / Tina Cuthrel(absent)

- No report

## Pit – Mark Fry (absent)

## Hospitality - Don Mann/Tara Bozick

- Spring Concert update 3 full sheet cakes; plenty of food
- Spent \$350
- Could have used additional assistance with clean up

## Uniforms – Debbie Frecker/Melanie Munn/Shirley Emerson

- Ordered 276 pairs of shorts; have enough for students to purchase 2<sup>nd</sup> pair
- Debbie is putting "G" on all the shorts
- There will be no jackets for graduation
- Kirsch discussed getting the jackets dry cleaned

#### Chaperones – Juanita Jones/Jenny Butler/Jenni Hopkins

- Still need volunteers for graduation
- Also need help with uniforms when we return

#### Band Camp - Jennie Hopkins

- Everything needs to be taken out of shed.
- Jennie has room in her garage for all shed items

#### Feed the Band - Rachel Nau /Art Guarino/Russel Kassel

- We will not be feeding students at band camp. We will only be feeding them at football games.
- Mr. Kirsch recommended only doing Chick-fil-A or possibly pizza ...

#### **Decorations – LaDonna Armstrong (absent)**

No report

#### Student Volunteer Hours – Debi Johnson

No report

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Erica Richards

- Car Wash on June 9<sup>th</sup> – need volunteers

## Concessions - Teresa Hass (absent)

- No report

## Spirit Wear – Kendall Fry(absent)/Karen LaPorte(absent)

No report

## Scrip - Michele Nelson

 There was discussion with Mr. Kirsch and treasurer regarding amount of funds made with Scrip. It does not appear to be making the amount of money hoped for ... we are strongly considering not renewing for 2019-2020 season

## Tag Day – Dawn Purdy/Tina Majewicz(absent)/Amy Olson

- Tag Day event is scheduled for Sep 7 with a rain date of Sep 28<sup>th</sup>
- The facility forms have been prepared, signed and turned in

## Secretary - Erika Fahlbusch (absent)/Shirly Coleman

No report

## Webmaster – Benjamin Scott

- Please send all web updates to Ben

## Data Entry – Andrea Goodwin (absent)/Ben Scott

Please make sure you send all weekly messages to Ben

#### Remembrance - Michele Nelson

Award ceremony went perfectly

## **Publicity – Dawn Bailey**

- No report

#### **Treasurer – Kim Bergstrom**

- Will post in budget in August

#### **New Business**

- Band parent meeting will be at first football game
- There is discussion about making this a tailgating event

#### **Next Meeting**

- The next meeting will be held on Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup>
- The August meeting will be held on August 5<sup>th</sup> prior to new year

## Adjournment - 7:43



## **GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

July 9th, 2019

The July meeting was called to order at 7:04. The first order of business was to dispense with the reading of the June minutes. The motion was may by Debi Johnson, seconded by Juanita Jones with unanimous approval. There was a simple welcome to all the new Committee Members.

#### Band Director - Darren Kirsch

- The work on the school still appears to be on schedule. They are getting ready to cut power next week. Power will be out for 2 weeks to the entire complex. However, hopefully the band room will have power.
- Discussion around using the church for band camp:
  - Testing was done with different types of chalk and tape. There is a duct tape that does not leave residue – hoping to talk to the church soon to get approval to use this duct tape.
  - Still working with the church to determine where students and parents will be able to park (drop off and pick up). The goal is to leave equipment at church each night in trailers.
  - Sidewalk chalk will be ordered for kids
  - Hoping to use church kitchen for ice
  - Jenny McCarty has freezer that will be used for popsicles we will ask church to see if they
    have a freezer that can be used first
  - No food maybe a few snacks
- Flags and music have been ordered
- There will be 4 competitions including Hermitage, Warhill, Kecoughtan and Menchville or Lee
- Football game on September 6<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled
- Tag Day could be pushed back to rain date if Grafton building is not available

#### Guard -Patti Cubstead

- Flags have been ordered
- 4 students currently at JMU doing conditioning, dance, weapons
- Uniforms getting ordered tonight takes 6 weeks

#### **Historian – Larry Madrigal** (absent)

No report

## Tri -M - Amy Olson/Ryan Olson

- No report

#### 1st Vice President – Tina Cuthrel

- 48 hours of volunteer work turned in for June

## Pit – Mark Fry (absent)

#### Hospitality - Don Mann/Tara Bozick

- No Report

## **Uniforms – Melanie Munn/Shirley Emerson**

- Meeting with Remembrance next Tuesday to plan for photos
- Shorts have been labeled
- 156 students have signed up (there are a few duplicates)
- Current Number is about 185 students to March

## Chaperones – Juanita Jones/Jennie Hopkins (absent)

- Will there be a pool party? Mr. Kirsch to talk to Windy Point looking at last Friday of Camp
- There will be a sign-up genius placed on-line for chaperones in next few weeks

## Band Camp - Jennie Hopkins (absent)

No Report

#### Feed the Band -Russel Kassel

No Report

## **Decorations – LaDonna Armstrong (absent)**

No report

#### Student Volunteer Hours - Debi Johnson

Please let Debi know when roster is complete

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Melissa Madrigal

- Car Wash October 5<sup>th</sup>
- Sweet Frog one of 2 nights after practice at the end of August (getting set now)
- Melissa will also be working with Pizza Shop for fundraiser date

## **Concessions – Teresa Hass**

- Lots of candy and soda in closet

#### Spirit Wear – Kendall Fry/Karen LaPorte

- We will be selling spirit wear during band camp

## Tag Day - Amy & Ryan Olson

- Tagathon 11-1 on 16<sup>th</sup> normally takes 45 minutes
- Looking to see if there is a place a church for stapling
- Sign up Genius will go out early August and posted on Facebook

#### Secretary – Shirly Coleman (absent)

No report

#### Webmaster - Benjamin Scott (absent)

- No report

## Data Entry - Ben Scott (absent)

Please make sure you send all weekly messages to Ben

## Remembrance – Jenny McCarty (absent)

No report

## **Publicity – Dawn Bailey**

- No report

## **Treasurer – Kim Bergstrom**

- Draft budget reviewed at meeting. Final budget to be placed on website shortly

## **New Business**

- None

## **Next Meeting**

- August 5<sup>th</sup> & 7pm

## Adjournment – 7:50



## GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

## **August 5th, 2019**

The August meeting was called to order at 7:05. The first order of business was to dispense with the reading of the July minutes. The motion was may by Art Guarino, seconded by Russell Kassel with unanimous approval.

#### Band Director – Darren Kirsch

- The work on the school still appears to be on schedule.
- Appears school will be ready on August 19<sup>th</sup>.
- The T-shirt design has been submitted to Tidewater Team Sports 40 fewer smalls were ordered.
- The Contract was signed with Windy Point \$325 for pool party. Note, it will cost an additional \$25 if the number goes over 125 people. The pool party will be last Friday of Band Camp from 7-9pm.
- Mr. Kirsch met with Saint Lukes all good news. The trailers are at the church. Saint Lukes has 2 ice machines, a fridge and freezer we can use.
- Taping will begin tomorrow at Saint Lukes parking lot.
- Spring trip tentative info:
  - Info will come out end of August
  - Money will be due 9/11 for plane tickets
  - Tentative dates are 1/25 1/28
  - Cost will be slightly over \$900. The extra cost will be for bus taking kids from airport to new hotel at Universal
- Remind major issue not being able to send over message to over 150 people at a time. The app wanted an additional \$4,800 to maintain messaging capability so Mr. Kirsch had to break the contact list into graduation year.

#### Guard -Patti Cubstead

- Guard doing excellent
- Everything has been ordered
- One guard member moved away, so one of the alternates has moved up and one of the flag members is now an alternate. New student list will come out Wednesday
- Two fundraisers have been planned
  - Make-up sale party more info to come out
  - Car Wash at Advanced Auto Parts on route 17, 9-3 on 8/10
- 4 students currently at JMU doing conditioning, dance, weapons

#### Historian – Larry Madrigal (absent)

Will need some assistance taking pictures at band camp

## Tri -M - Amy Olson

No report

## 1st Vice President - Tina Cuthrel

No report

## Pit - Mark Fry (absent)

Both trailers are in need of inspection – may need some work

## Hospitality - Don Mann/Tara Bozick

No Report

## Uniforms - Melanie Munn/Shirley Emerson

Shorts and Socks ready – have new bibbers for drum-majors

## Chaperones – Juanita Jones/Jennie Hopkins

- Volunteer sign-up is online - Please Sign Up

## **Band Camp – Jennie Hopkins**

- Gatorade there currently is enough for first 2 days need more
- Running short on volunteers currently have 3 in morning and 2 in the afternoon
- Guard will be in Band Room starting on Thursday need Med Forms

#### Feed the Band - Russell Kassel

- First Game August 30<sup>th</sup> hope to use the field on that day so we will need food
- Dinner will be held from 5:45 to 6:15
- Need sign up genius online to get pre-orders
- First game will be shorts and t-shirt game
- Will need equipment and pit equipment early on Friday. Kendall said Mark would handle it.
- Hoping to get chips and sodas donated like last year
- Russell would like parents to bring donations to church .. Juanita Jones or Melissa Madrigal will get the donations to school

#### **Decorations – LaDonna Armstrong (absent)**

No report

#### Student Volunteer Hours – Debi Johnson

No Report

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Melissa Madrigal

- Sweet Frog August 27<sup>th</sup> from 3-10
- Melissa will also be working with Pizza Shop for fundraiser date

## Concessions – Teresa Hass (absent)

No Report

## Spirit Wear - Kendall Fry/Karen LaPorte

- Spirit Wear will be sold on the 15<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>
- Order placed last week will have items by the beginning of next week

## Tag Day - Amy & Ryan Olson

- Sign up genius set up for cars some are already signing up
- Tagathon may take place the day before
- 5,000 envelopes (Red Elly) and Tags (Lady Printing) ordered

## Secretary - Shirly Coleman (absent)

- No report

## Data Entry / Webmaster - Benjamin Scott

- Busy, busy, busy
- If you need help with messages, send to data entry
- If you need help with website, send to webmaster
- Will need laptops at church probably 2 pcs this Thursday for sign ups

## Remembrance – Jenny McCarty

- Pictures will be held on Wed, August 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 10:30
- Photo Day will be based on Sections
- Group Photo day will be 27th after rehearsal will need remind to go out
- Decision made to have group photo in gym if possible since getting Bailey Field is very tough as we have no football games there on Saturday until late in the season
- Options include Sep 17, 18, 19 from 2:30 4:30
- Mr. Kirsch looking into getting the gym allocated tough with sports going on

## **Publicity – Dawn Bailey**

- Posting reminders

## Treasurer - Kim Bergstrom

- New budget provided and posted on website
- Sep 9<sup>th</sup> we will vote on budget at parents meeting
- Also, an audit for last year needs to take place in next few weeks
- Kim procured wireless Square will be getting a 2<sup>nd</sup> one
- Fees have been collected for 156 students

#### **New Business**

- Need to determine date for parents meeting. The idea is to have the parent meeting the night of first football game. It can take place from pre-game through first quarter. Signs ups would be manual. We will need additional tables Art can take them in truck through back gate. Tables would be required for Tag Day, Spirit Wear (2 tables), Chaperones, Feed the Band, Hospitality, Pit, and Uniforms.
- Mr. Kirsch will ask kids to deliver letters throughout the neighborhood of Saint Lukes telling them about the band practicing there over the next few weeks.

#### **Next Meeting**

- September 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm followed by Sprint Trip Parents Meeting at 7pm

## Adjournment - 8:06

#### **GHBPA HIGH BOOSTER PARENT ASSOCIATION MEETING**

#### **9 SEPTEMBER 2019**

The September meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. The first order of business was to dispense reading the August minutes. The motion was made by Tina Curthrell seconded by Art Guarino.

#### **BAND DIRECTOR-Darren Kirsch:**

- Tag day: 28 Sept rescheduled, there is a game on Friday and competition on Saturday evening.
- Marching Band practices are going well, activities buses are pending, and Mr. Kirsch will check the status of the buses and inform the students;
- Feed the band will be at school before the games; uniforms are to "good to go" per Shirley E., Mr. Kirsch will make a call about the status of the concert uniforms later in the week.
- Band competition on 2 Nov. and game the same night. Mr. Kirsch is asking if this will be an issue for students to make competition on 26 Oct. at Tallwood HS at 1600, show time around 8:00 p.m. If there is an issue, parents need to Mr. Kirsch know.

Guard- Patti Cubstead (Not Present) NO REPORT

Historian- Larry Madrigal-(Not Present) NO REPORT

Tri-M-Amy Olson-

Meeting set for 23 Sept. AM and PM in the band room; t-shirts are available

1st Vice President- Tina Cuthrel

(Tina) reported that we have 71 volunteers with 1,287 hours of volunteer service hours.

Pit – Mark Fry (Not Present)

• (Art reported)Trailers failed inspection, small one failed due to running lights, and there is still work to be done.

Hospitality- Don Mann/Tara Bozick

Supply of cookies is plenteous!

**Uniforms** – Melanie Mann/Shirley Emerson

• Distribution of Band uniform fittings is complete, concert uniform fitting needs to be set. Mr. Kirsch will set date for October.

#### **Chaperones-Juanita Jones/Jennie Hopkins**

Need more volunteers.

Band Camp- Jennie Hopkins

All went well and all is good to go; happy with the results

#### Feed the Band-Russell Kassel

Russell is learning a lot from Art, supplies are still being received, the cut off has been established for sign ups.
 Mr. Kirsch mentioned he has one new student who still needs to sign up.

#### **Decorations-** LaDonna Armstrong

No Report

#### Student Volunteer Hours- Debi Johnson

Spreadsheet is ready and will be posted after TAG DAY

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President-Melissa Madrigal

Reported we received a \$200.00 check from the Sweet Frog Fundraiser; This came from over \$1,000 in sales.

#### **Concessions**-Teresa Haas

• There is an abundance of candy available; Teresa asked if Feed the Band could sell or Mr. Kirsch could give it away. Art will talk with Teresa about plan for candy.

Spirit Wear-Kendall Fry/Karen LaPorte (Present, but setting up table and shirts outside)

#### TAG Day-Ryan Olson/Amy Olson

- Rescheduled date to 28 Sept., still need 25 parents to volunteer will make an announcement at the parent
  meeting for the band trip tonight. The announcement will be posted on the webpage for alumni parents to
  assist.
- Email list to first time parents for assistance was suggested as well.
- Other discussion included setting up at businesses such as Food Lion, Harley, Kroger; we will need to personally check with these businesses.

## Secretary - Shirley Coleman

- Webmaster –No Report (Ben)
- Data Entry No Report (Ben)
- Remembrance (Jenny) Photo Day (include group and seniors) is 17 Sept. and completed by 4:00 p.m., she called the company re: the buttons and hope to have them by Thursday, 12 Sept. for parent pick up.
- Publicity (Dawn) Postings are going well, Facebook and Twitter is progressing well.

## Treasurer – (Kim)

- Budget is updated and posted on website and will be voted on at the Parent Meeting following the Board meeting; at the Parent Meeting the budget was approved.
- The Treasurer position will be up for election after this year.
- Mr. Kirsch the Spring Trip payments will be collected by cash/check. 100 seats have been reserved on the plane. Future payments can be made via PayPal.

#### **New Business:**

- Don Mann suggested on-line payments for Feed the Band info can be set up so copy is sent to parents.
- (Kirsch) 26 October; potential band competition at Tallwood HS; 15 October a car wash and a competition is on the same day. We may need to change the date for the car wash, to be continued.
- (Art) discussed the prospect of having a Business Donation Program. There will be three different levels for businesses/individuals to give, \$250.00, \$500.00 and \$750.00. We will need to have each level explained and what the benefit would be for the member before the program is advertised. Businesses will be making a charitable tax contribution. A motion was made by Art to have a Donation Program and get businesses to donate. The motion carried and was seconded by Teresa Haas. Art concluded by adding that he may have secured a donor for the \$750.00 level. The discussion closed.
- (Teresa) mentioned that if businesses donate gift cards, we can possibly use then as a raffle item.

#### **Next Meeting:**

• October 7<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m. at the GHS Band Room.

#### Adjournment - 6:48 p.m.



## **GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

## October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The October meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The first order of business was to dispense reading the September minutes. The motion was made by Debi Johnson and seconded by Jennie Hopkins.

#### President – Tom Jones:

- Thanks to Tina for taking care of meeting last month.
- Excellent Tag Day Big thanks to Ryan & Amy Olson and Melissa Madrigal for all of the planning and to all the incredible volunteers for helping out.

## Events before next meeting in November:

- 10/11/19 Football Game (homecoming)
- 10/19/19 Yorktown Day Parade and Monarch Invitational
- 10/22/19 YC Expo
- 10/24/19 VBODA Marching Band Assessment
- 11/2/19 Football Game (Senior Night) and Kecoughtan Invitational
- Spring Trip Payment 2 \$250
  - o Due Wednesday
  - o Email needs to go out tonight if possible
  - Remind will be sent out on Tuesday
  - Paypal Site is ready for payment

#### **Band Director - Darren Kirsch**

- Major thanks for all the volunteers past few weeks
- A few financial challenges:
  - Oboes
    - 7 oboe players in the band
    - 2 kids without an oboe currently borrowing an old one from Grafton Middle
    - Cost for (2) oboes is \$3000 each ... total of \$6,000 to be taken from instrument reserve
  - Music Software Finale
    - School division will not pay for Band music software since only 8 teachers are using the software. However, band requires it to be able to annotate music.
    - Cost is \$350
    - The funds will come from Instrument reserve
  - All State Jazz
    - Seven students auditioned for all state jazz;
    - Won't know outcome for 10-14 days
    - There were 45 kids trying out at Jamestown
    - There are 7-8 sites and only 30 kids in the state make the band

- Dates and Times
  - Football game Friday 7:00 Friday
  - Parade 10:30
  - Menchville 8:30 pm awards @ 9:00pm
  - Expo 7 pm @ Bailey Grafton should be last band to perform
     We can provide concessions if we would like to, need to get with Teresa
  - VBODA performance will be at 8:30 PM

#### President's Committee

- a. Guard Patti Cubstead (absent)
- b. Historian Larry Madrigal (absent)

Note: we have had over 1,000 views of the Heritage Classic Grand Champion Video

c. Tri-M – Amy Olson

There will be a school trunk or treat night at Grafton High School In November, there will be a Coventry event In December, there will be a nursing home event

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Tina Cuthrel

There were 1,058 hours volunteer hours in September

- a. Pit Mark Fry (absent)
- b. Hospitality Don Mann/Tara Bozick
  - All cookie slots are full for the year
  - Senior Night will utilize Carabas same budget as last year.
  - They will need help as this is senior night and competition
  - They will set up a signup genius and include cleanup
  - Worst case, volunteers could come back in on Sunday and clean up or clean up at the end of the competition
  - Still need shadows for next year
- c. Uniforms Melanie Munn(absent)/Shirley Emerson
  - Uniforms now have a shadow Jenna Stitzel
  - Getting ready for concert fittings 4<sup>th</sup> week of October
  - Uniforms needs 2 dressing areas guard room and Stones office
  - They will send out a message to tell students to bring uniforms in beginning Oct 19<sup>th</sup>
  - Shoes: there has been a decline in quality of marching shoes. Kids are not making it through a single season. Shirley talked to supplier today – they are going to send three samples to review
  - Uniforms will be cleaned before Spring Trip
- d. Chaperones Juanita Jones/ Jennie Hopkins
  - Thanks for all of the wonderful help ... we are still taking volunteers if anyone is interested

- e. Band Camp Jennie Hopkins
- f. Feed the Band Russell Kassel
  - We have enough food and water for feed the band; Only thing we need is soda
- g. Decorations LaDonna Armstrong (absent)
- h. Student Volunteer Hours Debi Johnson
  - There have been no sign-up sheets for student volunteer hours turned in
  - Amy will provide list for Tag Day 4 hours per student
  - Leadership gets 10 hours for their job. If they do more, they need to provide justification to Mr. Kirsch

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Melissa Madrigal

- Melissa and Tom visited Pizza Shop and set up Oct 29<sup>th</sup> fundraiser. Families can go to Pizza Shop any time during the day and mention Grafton Band - we get a portion of the proceeds
- We will also do Bubba's Shrimp Shack fundraiser later in the year
- Car wash will be held in the spring. Guard planning their own car wash in November and possibly next summer
- a. Concessions Teresa Haas (absent)
- b. Spirit Wear Kendall Fry (Absent)/Karen LaPorte (absent)
- c. TAG Day Ryan Olson (absent)/Amy Olson
  - Excellent day everything worked out great
  - Sending out thank you notes now
  - Thanks for all the help

#### Secretary – Shirley Coleman (absent)

- a. Webmaster Benjamin Scott
  - No issues great info for weekly messages
  - Jenny McCarty and Don Mann need list of seniors for Senior Night will send to Kirsch to review
  - PayPal Site needs to be set up
- b. Data Entry Benjamin Scott
  - Email going out tonight for Spring Trip Payment 2
- c. Remembrance Jenny McCarty
  - Preparing Google form for Senior Night
  - There are 44 marching seniors
  - Non-marching Seniors will not be included in Senior Night
  - Jenny does not need as many volunteers ... work with senior parents
  - There were some technical difficulties on photo web site last night extended a day
  - On Senior Night, senior parents will get photo and note for where to stand in line
- d. Publicity Dawn Bailey

- Some parents are messaging Dawn in regards to Max Preps ... wrong football date
- Mr. Kirsch checked dates on Band Site are correct .. Max Preps wrong

## Treasurer – Kim Bergstrom (report)

- Excellent donations for tagathon and Tag Day
- Spring Trip payment 2 for \$250 starts tonight
- Spiritwear Spirit sales have been almost \$3700 with a profit of over \$1400.
- Audits will be completing Middle School and High School audits next few week
  - o Juanita assisting Kin in Middle School audit
  - o For High School audit, Kim needs 3-4 volunteers

New business - None

Next Meeting - Executive Committee - Monday November 11<sup>h</sup> @ 7 pm

Adjournment - 7:50pm

# **GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING November 11, 2019**

The November meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Tom Jones. The first order of business was to dispense reading the October minutes. The motion was made by Shirley Emerson and seconded by Debi Johnson.

#### **President - Tom Jones:**

- A few fun facts for the past 30 days
  - 2,500 Youtube views of the 4 marching band performances
  - o 7,000 visits to Grafton Band Web site
  - o Thousands of views of photo gallery
  - o 400 hits on the calendar
  - o 700 views of the alto-sax student music page
- Thanks to Tina for taking care of meeting last month's meeting.
- Over 2500 people reached on Facebook
  - Should use Video and Photo media links for announcements/thank you;s for Tag-A-Thon next year
- Band Website received 7,000 hits

#### **Event Dates:**

- 11/20/19 ODU Wind Ensemble
- 12/12/2019 Band Winter Concert
- 12/23/19 01/3/20 Winter Break
- Spring Trip Payment #3 \$250
  - Due Wednesday
  - Email needs to go out tonight if possible
  - Remind will be sent out on Tuesday
  - Paypal Site is ready for payment

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#### **Band Director - Darren Kirsch**

- Marching Season
  - One of the toughest marching seasons ever.
  - Thanks to all the parents. It was an amazing season when you compare to many of the other bands who are being supported with a skeleton crew.
    - Student Leadership only have 4 returning kids
    - Excellent job by student leaders
    - The season record was 78 wins, 2 second place, 2 Grand Championships

       simply amazing
    - Bitter Sweet day on Saturday
    - Long last day but excellent day

- o Thanks To Shirley and Melanie for Uniforms
- Large trailer is full but ok for storage for now
- Upcoming Events
  - Tomorrow Jazz Band NMASM (National Math and Science Museum)
  - Thursday Jazz Stephanie Guys retirement party
  - All State Jazz Concert
- ODU Concert 11/20/19
  - They cannot tell us how many busses we can have
  - Busses will leave at 1pm so busses can get back for middle school runs
  - He will send out a schedule as soon as he can
  - Trip will include tour of school, music dept, warm up time, eat at dining facility, performance at 7:30 and then wind ensemble ... probably 90 minutes
  - Approximate 10:15pm return
- Dec 12 is the Holiday Concert
- Next booster event will be All District Band to be held on January 11
  - Be ready to discuss District Band at Dec meeting (Erica Richards)
- Spring Trip
  - 3 people have not signed up
  - Plane info is required by November 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Total will be \$975 for trip \$275 final payment
- o Thanks for the Tabb High School ribbons (Debi Johnson and Shirley Emerson)

## President's Committee

- a. Guard Patti Cubstead
  - i. Uniforms look great and flags are clean
  - ii. Parent support was awesome
  - iii. Major thanks to Shirley Emerson for helping with sewing
  - iv. Only 7 Guard returned from last year
  - v. Winter Guard starts tomorrow; 20 yesses, 4 no, a few maybe
  - vi. Middle School Guard starts next Tuesday
  - vii. Guard is doing a fund raiser to purchase additional rifles, etc.
- b. Historian Larry Madrigal (absent)
  - i. Video and Photos are on web site
- c. Tri-M Amy Olson
  - i. Coventry performance Nov 25 2:30-3 pm
  - ii. Nursing Home performance Dec 6 2:30-3:30
  - iii. Ushering Winter Concerts
    - 1. GMS Choir Dec 10
    - 2. GMS Band Dec 17
    - 3. GHS Choir Dec 5
    - 4. GHS Band Dec 12

- II. 1st Vice President Tina Cuthrel
  - a. Oct Hours 1,268, 85 volunteers
    - A. Pit Mark Fry (absent)
    - B. Hospitality Don Mann (absent)/Tara Bozick
      - a. Thanks for helping clean up
      - b. Still need shadow
    - C. Uniforms Melanie Munn/Shirley Emerson
      - a. Marching uniforms are being cleaned
      - b. Where do we order uniform bags. Mr. Kirsch suggested they look at Uline
      - c. Need more cumber buns and bowties; they will bill the school
      - d. New marching shoe samples will be here this week; hoping to be better quality than the existing shoes
      - e. Quality of guard gloves have not been the same either
      - f. Melanie will be coming in to support concert band and Shirley will be here to support Symphonic band
    - D. Chaperones Juanita Jones/ Jennie Hopkins
      - a. Went over list yesterday missing a few Med forms
      - b. Called chaperones for Spring Trip 13 chaperones
      - c. Sketched ideas for breakfast still working
    - E. Band Camp Jennie Hopkins
    - F. Feed the Band Russell Kassel (absent)
    - G. Decorations LaDonna Armstrong (absent)
    - H. Student Volunteer Hours Debi Johnson
      - a. Still waiting to get hours for some of the kids
- III. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Melissa Madrigal
  - i. The band received \$170 for Pizza Shop
  - ii. Tag Day raised \$30,250.52
  - iii. Bubba Shrimp Shack fund raiser will be held on December 10<sup>th</sup> (Taco Tuesday band profits 15-20% per order)
  - iv. No car wash was held this year; we may have to look at other opportunities
  - A. Concessions Teresa Haas (absent)
  - B. Spirit Wear Kendall Fry (absent) /Karen LaPorte (absent)
  - C. TAG Day Ryan Olson (absent) /Amy Olson (absent)
- IV. Secretary Shirley Coleman
  - . Nothing to add
  - A. Webmaster Benjamin Scott
    - a. No report
  - B. Data Entry Benjamin Scott
    - a. Keep the messages coming
  - C. Remembrance Jenny McCarty
    - a. Jenny had a few extra band photos. Tom asked if they could be used for donation program. All agreed

## D. Publicity – Dawn Bailey

a. No report

## V. Treasurer – Kim Bergstrom

- i. Final total raised for Tag Day, \$30,210.15; exceeded goal
- ii. Spring Trip payment #3 for \$250 due on 11/13/19
- iii. Spiritwear Spirit sales have been almost \$3,700 with a profit of over \$1.400
- iv. Still need a shadow for her position next year; Shirley mentioned her husband David could potentially volunteer

## VI. New business

- i. Printing of programs for Winter Concert; trying to limit number of printed pages many are wasted
- ii. Discussing utilizing a QR code and parent can print or just view on device
- iii. Shirley Emerson suggested we provide a lower number of programs and have a program stationed at doors so attendees can review
- iv. More discussion to follow

## VII. Next Meeting

a. Executive Committee – Monday December 9th @ 7 pm

## VIII. Adjournment

a. 7:37



## GHBPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

I. President – Tom Jones:

The December meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President Tom Jones. The first order of business was to dispense reading the November minutes. The motion was made by Art Guarino and seconded by Debi Johnson

- II. Band Director Darren Kirsch
  - a. Upcoming Events:
    - i. Concert on Thursday
    - ii. Jazz Band on Monday

Mr. Kirsch is lining up community converts ... looking for a few more events. Juanita mentioned the Devonshire, Mr. Kirsch has also contacted the Chesapeake In-school concert on Tuesday 8-9 am A few students were playing at SOA, nursing homes, and Ferguson Center

- iii. Huge thank you to Tom Jones for the on-line concert program. This can be accessed by a QR code or on the band web site.
  - iv. Spring Trip

All forms are due Wednesday along with final payment

The itinerary will be tweaked after the time for the program is finalized

Four groups played at Barnes and Noble (organized themselves)

Three pieces of paperwork required and are due 12/11 – all should be placed in the Red Box

- 1. Orange card
- 2. Updated medical release form
- 3. rules and regulations
- v. District Auditions

Sign Up Genius being created

Need a lot of volunteers for January 11

Need for volunteers will be announced at the concert on Thursday

- III. President's Committee
  - a. Guard Patti Cubstead
    - i. 23 students in Winter Guard
    - ii. Cost for Winter Guard is \$60
    - iii. The Guard team will be finalized in January
    - iv. There will be performances in May
    - v. May 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend baton expo guard will perform
    - vi. 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls can choose if they want to move up and perform at expo
    - vii. Forms will be dropped in the Red box Mr. Kirsch requested that the forms not be placed in Red Box until after the Spring Trip
    - viii. Will put a link to the flyer about this in the concert program

- b. Historian Larry Madrigal(absent)
- c. Tri-M Amy Olson
  - i. Trim-M students will be ushering concerts
  - ii. They performed at the nursing homes
  - iii. It is very hard to get kids to sign up for events
  - iv. New student leadership coordinate with Kim to see who has paid dues
- IV. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Tina Cuthrel

November volunteer hours turned in – 573 hours

- A. Pit Mark Fry (absent)
- B. Hospitality Don Mann/Tara Bozick
  - a. Prepping for District Band
  - b. Need shadow
- C. Uniforms Melanie Munn/Shirley Emerson
  - a. Nothing to report
- D. Chaperones Juanita Jones/ Jennie Hopkins
  - a. Working on Spring Trip
  - b. Suggested students on the trip have a lanyard for their park ticket. Art Guarino checking about getting these donated
- E. Band Camp Jennie Hopkins
  - a. Nothing to report
- F. Feed the Band Russell Kassel
  - a. Nothing to report
- G. Decorations LaDonna Armstrong (absent)
- H. Student Volunteer Hours Debi Johnson
  - a. Nothing to report
- V. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Melissa Madrigal
  - a. Fund Raiser will be held at Bubbas all day tomorrow (from lunch on)
  - B. Concessions Teresa Haas
    - a. District Band Concessions
      - i. Will use all of the food from the band closet
      - ii. Will need to get additional food (Juanita)
  - C. Spirit Wear Kendall Fry (absent)/Karen LaPorte(absent)
  - D. TAG Day Ryan Olson(absent)/Amy Olson
    - a. Nothing to report
- VI. Secretary Shirley Coleman (absent)
  - A. Webmaster Benjamin Scott
    - a. Nothing to report
  - B. Data Entry Benjamin Scott
    - a. Posted Spring Trip forms, information, and updated PayPal
    - b. Will send out email about fundraiser at Bubba's and schedule for the concert
  - C. Remembrance Jenny McCarty
    - a. Preparing for the spring awards
  - D. Publicity Dawn Bailey
    - a. Nothing to report
- VII. Treasurer Kim Bergstrom
  - a. Last payment for Spring Trip Due
  - b. Tax return has been filed by the CPA

#### VIII. New business

- a. District Band (Erica Richards)
  - i. January 11 All day affair
  - ii. In the process of filling key positions and sign-up genius will go up next week
  - iii. 3 blocks of registration (need volunteers)
    - 1. 7:30-8:30
    - 2. 9:30-11:30
    - 3. 12:30-1:30
  - iv. Will set up the Friday night before
- IX. Next Meeting
  - a. Executive Committee Monday January 13<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm
- X. Adjournment 7:42