



October 3, 2016

Attendance; Beth Bentley, David Prater, Kathy Koors, Jeanne Gokcen, Marla Becker, Rob Cebriak, Kevin Dengel, Greg Miller, Lynette Prater, Donna Staten, Jim Slates, Rod Dickerson, Trisha Rose

Called to order: 7:36pm

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve 9-12-16 minutes; Lynette Prater, 2nd Greg Miller, approved with correction of adding Greg Miller to the list of attendees.

Treasurer's Report (attached) – Kathy Koors

- Presented Balance Sheet and Reconciliation of Detail report
- Discussion of Square
 - o Can the cash part be disabled, is it worth getting full service rather than limited free service
 - o Kathy recommended not getting full service at this time
 - o Greg Miller said the old cell phone could be used with wi-fi in the concession booths
 - o Will continue to monitor for amount of use vs. cost

Director's Reports:

Mr. Cebriak-GLHS Director

Since last we met:

- Freshman night at the Dublin Coffman game went very well! Thanks for all of the cookies that were needed to feed the freshmen and the two marching bands.
- Thank you for chaperones, uniform parents, and spectators at the Logan Festival. We were very happy with the band's performance and the crowd's reaction. We enjoyed watching Paul Koors' video today. Kids were very positive about the opportunity to see different-sized bands with a different style.
- Council finished its Coin Wars, raising over \$1300 in donations from the band. Wow!
- Uniforms went in for the first cleaning today and will be back on Thursday. Cleaning was needed....

Coming up:

- Audition music for 10-12 goes out tomorrow. Auditions are on Tuesday, October 18. Thanks to Mr. McCafferty for preparing the judges' dinner.
- Freshmen have a concert with the freshman string orchestra Thursday night at 7:30. Orchestra will play first and band will play second. The concert should last less than an hour. Thanks to Kris Squillante for help with the program. My understanding is that we are NOT doing cookies for this one.
- This Friday is the homecoming game and we invite the alumni to join us. We never know how many will be there. Mr. Kessler is planning on coming to conduct the Star-Spangled Banner. Thank you for providing food for our quick dinner between the 5:00 rehearsal and the 6:40 skull session.
- Thursday, October 20th is the Pops Concert. 7:30 in the gym with the freshmen.
- Thursday, October 27th is senior night at 7 pm. Plan on a 5:15 senior reception with pregame starting around 6:30 pm.

Student recognition:

- Thanks to all of the students who helped with the 6th grade band fitting nights. They were great representatives to our incoming members.
- The following have auditioned into Columbus Youth Symphonic Band: Maggie McCarter, Josh Bullock, Kelly McCarter, Logan Wright, Ben Stemen, Jay Sandlin, Joe Mertz, and Krista Staten.

Mr. Bradshaw – Middle School South

Since Last We Met:

- Music Survey is now done and the 6th grade students have begun meeting in their music classes for the year. MSS has 84 students registered for 6th grade band. Today was the first day of band for half of them, and the other half will come tomorrow for their first day. Everyone is very anxious to get started making their first sounds as a band student!



- The 7th and 8th grade bands have spent a lot of time at the beginning of the year reviewing concepts from last year. Each group has begun to prepare music for their upcoming fall concerts. The 8th grade concert will be November 1 at 7:30pm in the GMSW auditorium, and the 7th graders will perform on November 3 at 7:30pm in the GMSW auditorium. Each concert will feature grade level bands from all three middle schools.
- The directors are utilizing Google Classroom as a means of turning in and grading 8th grade playing assessments. So far, the response from the students has been positive. We are hopeful that this will make the 8th grade district playing test (due in November) a smoother process.
- 7th and 8th grade students are eagerly awaiting the start of jazz band and woodwind choir which will be starting up in November before school from 8:00-8:30 a couple days per week.

Mr. Miller- Middle School West

Since last we met:

- 7th and 8th grade bands at Middle School West are wrapping up the first grading period and making good progress as we prepare music for the first performances of the year in early November.
- 6th grade recruitment and instrument fittings have been completed – roughly 180 appointments held over a few class periods and 12 hours of evening fittings. Today, students at all three middle schools began playing their instruments for the first time. At MSW, we are starting a well-balanced band of 67 members.

Coming up:

- Jazz Band and Woodwind Choir will begin meeting before school in late October at Middle School West. Students who are interested will have the opportunity to sign up in the next few weeks.
- The three 8th grade bands will present a combined concert on Tuesday, November 1 at 7:30 in the MSW Auditorium. The 7th grade bands will have their combined concert on Thursday, November 3 at 7:30.

Ms. Ballard – Middle School East

No report.

Mr. Dengel – Orchestra

- With *Music Survey* completed at the middle schools, the **Class of 2023** is currently sitting around 115 (mid-30s at MSS and MSW, mid-40s at MSE) students across the three buildings. Students are excited to have their first day with instruments and we are ensuring that each of our beginners has all their equipment!
- Thank you to GLIMB for providing drinks and popcorn for our annual **Movie Night**. This evening was fell on Mr. Kinser's Birthday, so Mrs. Kinser surprised him with a sheet cake for us all to enjoy. *Thank you to Mr. Aicher, Mrs. Becker, and Mrs. Gossett for chaperoning the event.*
- The **Freshman Orchestra and Freshman Band Concert** is Thursday evening. This group of students has been doing a wonderful job preparing their music. Their program will consist of a (1) *Chorale* where the orchestra has been experimenting with phrasing choices, balance, and chordal intonation; (2) *Lonestar* with students creating a storyline to accompany the music, and (3) *Hyperdrive* creating a fast-paced, movie soundtrack like piece.
- Each of the upper-level orchestras has been learning music very efficiently. In fact, Chamber is already beginning work on their January 22, 2017 Benefit Concert repertoire. Symphony 1 and 2 each have 4-5 pieces they are preparing for their mid-November concerts. To better develop Symphony 1's sight-reading and immediate error detection skills, we have been selecting familiar pieces – but removing the title. For example, *Jurassic Park* was turned into "Variations on a 12th Century Etude." It was fun to see the student's reaction when this happened for the first time. It also generated some good conversation on current strengths and weaknesses.
- On October 21st, the GLHS Orchestras will have their annual **Bonfire** and Friendship Park. As in past years, we appreciate GLIMB's support in providing S'Mores and Water. The call for Chaperones will be going out soon.
- Our five (5) additional **Wenger cabinets** were installed – save one that was damaged in shipment ... stay tuned on that one. Locks have been assigned to each cubby, and tonight I have a disbursement request for numerical labels for the 130 cabinets. Thank you GLIMB for providing funds for two (2) new cabinets!



Mrs. Shellhammer – Jazz Band

- Auditions for approx. 50 wind players for the jazz bands began this morning. Thanks for Mr. Bradshaw and Mr. Cebriak who are assisting with the auditions at a very early hour! The rhythm section auditionees – 16 students – will begin on Wed., Oct. 12. Mr. Miller and Robert Mason, Class of 2010, will be assisting for those auditions.
- Rehearsals will begin on Oct. 18. Jazz I will be performing at Stonybrook Church at a luncheon in December and both bands will perform at the January concerts.
- We have the good fortune of a good relationship with the Jazz Arts Group of Columbus. Their director of Education and Community Engagement, Zach Compston, has offered to have Matt Wilson present a clinic to our jazz band students when the artist is here in Columbus in January. He will be here during the school day and all expenses will be covered by JAG.
- We have several Gahanna students involved in the Youth Jazz Performing Ensembles this year:
 - Columbus Youth Jazz Orchestra
 - Gabe Dent, saxophone
 - Jay Sandlin, trombone
 - Logan Wright, saxophone
 - Columbus Youth Jazz Ensemble
 - Nick Arbogast, trumpet
 - Columbus Youth Jazz Workshop
 - Andy Harris, saxophone
 - Devan Mallory, piano

Concession Report – Jim Slates

- Overall, things are going well. Learning amounts of food items that are needed for each event.
- Got popcorn machine repaired for \$63. Please note that the popcorn machine in the Visitors Booth takes only 12 oz of popcorn, not 16oz.
- Thinking about end of season and how to end up with minimal soft drinks
 - Can return any unopened cases
 - Sometimes can sell to basketball
 - Extras can be used for pizza lunch

Fundraising Report – Marla Becker

- Selling gift cards
- Changed accounting systems and that is working well
- Other suggestions for fundraisers:
 - Poinsettias
 - Locally-owned business fundraiser. Must be able to work with individual accounts
 - Note: be sure fundraisers don't conflict with other organizations' fundraisers
- Concern that the football booster organization is selling food directly outside of the front fence during football games, which affects with concession stand sales. Mr. Cebriak will check with Athletic Boosters.
- Had a busy summer.

Volunteer Report – Kristi Nye (not present)

- Volunteers for booths are adequate overall. There are a few slots open for some weekday events.
- Need more Booth Captains

Uniform Report – Donna Staten

- Uniforms went to dry cleaners today and are being returned 10/6
- The uniform team will reassemble them and replace all collars Thursday night. We will place the assigned belts over the jackets to eliminate that step on Friday night.
- The band will be wearing pink gloves in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month at the 10/7 game
- Students will put the brass wasit-plates back on cross-belts when they dress and Friday and Mr. Cebriak has allowed 15 extra minutes to do that
- We thank Dave Ferguson for designing and creating the brass trays. Dave just finished the final (7th) tray for us.
- 2016-17 Uniform Team: John Anders, Cathy Biro, Kelly Ferguson, Kim Grunkemeyer, Margie Gyde, JW Hayes, Pat Hayes, Deb Jones, Lori Lewis, Becky Marusek, Bryon Marusek, Deb Meyersburg, Karen Moseley, Kristi Nye, Donna Staten, Debbie Stemen, Benjamin Stepp, Sarah Stepp, Cheryl Streif, Melissa Sull



Hospitality Report – Cathy Ryan, Julie Remer (not present)

- No Report
- Discussion of needed changes in processes and communication

Old Business

- Gahanna Band web page
 - Mr. Miller changed the link to GLIMB
- Spirit Wear – Trisha Rose
 - School-to-Work Advanced Graphics (SWAG) group worked on several designs for the band spirit wear at no charge
 - Script Lion
 - Claw mark through name
 - Polo shirt request
 - Suggestion: water bottle that says Gahanna Bands
 - The Board and Mr. Cebriak approve the final design
 - Put link on website to order
 - Takes 2-3 weeks for delivery
 - Orchestra has samples coming in and will do separately
 - Chaperone shirt order: need more larger sizes and have no small sizes
 - Place order at same time as Spirit Wear.
 - Trisha will not be here when order is delivered (week before Thanksgiving). Will have someone else as point person.
- Instrumental Music Camp Reimbursement Form – Revision
 - Now is the time to look at it
- Dave Prater is push documentation for every position to improve transition process to new officers. Will ask every current officer to do this.
 - Specific job responsibilities and any details per event, e.g., Alumni Night Dinner, Orchestra Bonfire, Band Fire, Senior Night, etc.

New Business

- Alumni Night
 - Oct. 7 Alumni and band dinner at Visitors Booth – 5:15pm
 - Plan for 240
- Tag Day recap
 - 6 driver surveys returned
 - Mr. Dengel provided income data per route
 - Need multiple driver lists for check in, with names in alphabetical order, not by route number
 - Need to arrange envelopes and tags better
 - Have at least TBD routes
 - Still some confusion over routes
 - Some overlap of streets
 - Some streets don't get visited
 - Don't include apartment buildings
- Home Booth proposal
 - Suggestion – can we do pre-packaged individual bag of nachos with cup of cheese
 - The warmer device for cheese cups is too expensive
 - Use of individual bags of chips would be good for portion control
 - Jason Shamroski submitted a request to dedicate Home Booth to Bob Stephenson, a long-time volunteer. Could call it "Bob's Booth" or "Stephenson's Booth." Could put up photo of Bob. Board will consider. Beth will ask Jason to write a proposal.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn; Trisha Rose, 2nd Dave Prater
Meeting adjourned at: 8:43pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Gokcen, GLIMB Secretary