



March 7, 2017

Attendance: Beth Bentley, David Prater, Kathy Koors, Jeanne Gokcen, Rob Cebriak, Kevin Dengel, Lynette Prater, Kristi Nye, Melanie Ryan, Megan Snide, Rod Dickerson, Julie Remer

Called to order: 7:32 pm

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve 2-6-17 minutes as amended; 1st Dave Prater, 2nd Lynn Prater.

Treasurer's Report – Kathy Koors

- Presented Balance Sheet and Reconciliation of Detail report
- Balance Sheet
 - Total Current Assets - \$85,357.41 Checking - \$46,496.84
 - Student Fundraising Account - \$7621.27 See Assistant Treasurer's report for details
 - Commission Fund and Temporary Savings Accounts – After 2 years of inactivity, accounts are labeled dormant and charged \$5 monthly. Donations of \$5 for the Commission fund and \$10 to the Temporary Savings accounts were made and a refund of dormant fees was requested and received.
- Reconciliation Detail
 - The purchase of more gift cards and the payment for Orchestra's Spirit Wear were most of the expenses last month
 - \$1520 to Kathy Koors for booth change and is included in the \$3088.26 deposit on 2/27
- P&L Budget vs. Actual
 - Spirit Wear – Spirit Wear account is current
- Kroger Contribution – 37 households, \$560.94 between 10/31/16-1/30/17 to post in March
- Our accountant moved – We should start getting suggestions for a new one
- Mr. Cebriak asked about uncleared checks –
 - When they should be removed. Noticed some entries have been there for a long time. Standard practice is to remove uncleared checks after 90 days. Kathy will do this.
 - Kohl's Gift Cards is listed as uncleared check – question if this is correct. Kathy thinks this may be incorrect and will verify.

Assistant Treasurer's Report – Marla Becker

Not present.

- Gift card sales are chugging along.
- Will put a deposit together this week, then will email updated statements to everyone with a balance
- The next payment for the Orchestra Disney trip will also be the final payment, due April 3.

Director's Reports:

Mr. Cebriak-GLHS Director

Welcome to student teacher, Megan Snide of OSU. She has been working with the MSW bands and will conduct a piece or two with Blue on the spring concert.

Since last we met:

- Prism concerts were a great success—now having gone on without cancellation for two successive years! Congratulations to the solos and ensembles for maintaining their high standards over a month past S & E.
- We're very proud of our students' performance at Districts this past weekend. Please see the uniform cabinets to see some of the awesome comments. Freshman 1121. Blue 2222. Silver 1122. Gold 1111. Only 3 out of 11 bands in class C qualified to state—tough judging panel. I was disappointed in Blue's rating but very pleased with their performance.
- Several seniors have been accepted as music majors. Congrats to Melanie Linker, Josiah Mertz, and Logan Wright (OSU); and Sydney Hackett (BGSU). Two others are auditioning at Capital next week.



Coming up:

- State contest will be held here on April 28-29. Registration doesn't close until April 1, so we will know about numbers of groups and students at the next meeting. The state chair warns us to expect a big number based on the requests he's seeing to go out of region.

Mr. Bradshaw – Middle School South

Not present. No report.

Mr. Miller- Middle School West

Not present.

Since last we met:

- The high school percussion ensemble participated in the annual High School Percussion Ensemble Festival on Saturday, February 18. The event included guest clinicians Neil Grover (Boston Symphony and Grover Pro Percussion) and Christopher Norton (Belmont University), and Ariel McNeil, Paul Provan, and Krista Staten performed with the festival honors ensembles. **Thanks** to GLIMB for providing our entry fee and for the Staten clan for their chaperoning assistance
- The MSW Winter Band Concert will be Thursday, February 23 at 7:30 in the MSW Auditorium. The MSW 6th grade band, woodwind choir, 7th grade band, and jazz band presented a successful "Winter" Concert on February 23.
- Four Middle School West band students (Max Bordner, Isaac Lutz, Josh Marusek, and Katie Merickel) participated in the OSU Middle School Honors Band on Saturday, February 25. Each honor band was part of a premiere performance of a piece by guest conductor/composer Andrew Boysen, Jr. – these two pieces were performed in tandem with the presentation of an accompanying silent film from the early 20th century. **Thanks** to GLIMB for providing registration for these four students!
- The Silver Band received its first-ever Superior rating at District Adjudicated Event last weekend. As we discussed yesterday in class, this was the first time a GLHS band received a Superior rating in class A since 1989, which was the final year Gold Band participated in class A (before moving up to class AA in 1990). I was very proud of the students' focus and performance, and am excited to move on to new literature for State Adjudicated Event, which we will host on April 28-29. **Thanks** to my colleagues on the band staff for their work in sectionals and their advice and encouragement as we prepared this performance!

Coming up:

- Middle school band students are preparing for OMEA Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event, which will be held on Saturday, April 8 at Central Crossing High School. At each middle school, we are placing every 8th grade student in a chamber ensemble, to be rehearsed during class time, and then giving students the option of whether they will perform at the OMEA event or in class for their peers. Middle School West will be sending 19 events – 8 ensembles and 11 solos – to the April 8 OMEA event.
- 7th grade band, choir, and strings students at Middle School West will be attending a performance by the Columbus Symphony Orchestra on Wednesday, April 5. This week, students will field trip forms to share with their parents, and we also expect our pre-concert educational materials from the Symphony to arrive this week. **Thanks** to GLIMB for providing tickets to this event, and thanks to GMSW office/administration for accommodating this trip by altering our state testing schedule!

Ms. Ballard – Middle School East

Not present. No report.

Mr. Dengel – Orchestra

Looking Back:

- A big thank you to all the students and parents who helped make our hosting of the OMEA State Orchestra Adjudicated Events on **February 24 & 25, 2017** a success! I have received numerous comments from directors about how smoothly run the event was. Our students have much to be proud of following their performances. Chamber, Freshman, and Symphony II earned *Superior* ratings, and Symphony I earned an *Excellent* rating – so we have three (3) new plaques to hang in our room.
- Earlier that week, we hosted Dr. Guy Bordo (*University of Akron*) to be guest clinician for each of our ensembles. The students enjoyed having him and his feedback proved valuable leading to State Orchestra.
- In **mid-February**, each of our middle schools had their winter concerts. All our students did a wonderful job and showed much growth since the November combined performances.

Looking ahead:

- March is a bit of "breather" for the orchestras as we reflect on our recent performances and begin working toward our May concert music. Orchestras at all levels are taking this time to focus-in on rhythm and scale exercises.



Mrs. Shellhammer – Jazz Band

Not present.

- All-District Jazz Festival is March 14th at 7pm in the GLHS auditorium.
 - Acclaimed jazz musician and educator Jamey Aebersold will be performing with Jazz I
 - All of the high school jazz band members will be participating in a clinic with Aebersold on 3/14 during 7th and 8th periods
 - Thank you to GLIMB who enables us to feature a professional jazz artist every year for this concert! This year internationally known jazz musician and educator Jamey Aebersold will be the guest artist/clinician.
- On April 7, both bands will be traveling via school bus to Capital University for their 23rd Annual Jazz and World Music Festival. The students will hear a couple of performances by Capital jazz groups and attend an instrument specific clinic. Jazz I and II will perform in the afternoon and we would LOVE to have our parents in the audience to support us!! Details will be on their way when I receive them, probably after spring break. We will enjoy a nice evening meal together after the festival before returning to Gahanna.
- Our year-end celebration will be on May 5 in the high school cafeteria at 7:30 PM. This is a casual evening of jazz featuring our talented seniors.
- Auditions for the Jazz band New Orleans trip will take place early next fall. The first payment is due by 9/15. The departure date is 2/14/18
- The travel company making arrangements for the New Orleans trip agreed to make reservations without requiring the \$5000 down payment, which was requested at last month's GLIMB meeting, so no further action is needed from GLIMB.

Concession Report – Jim Slates

Not present. No report.

Volunteer Report – Kristi Nye

- Volunteer forms for spring events going out this week to Band and Orchestra families

Uniform Report – Donna Staten

Not present. No report.

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

No report.

Old Business

- OMEA State Orchestra 2/24-2/25 - Recap
 - Thanks to Dave Prater, Jim and Kristi Nye for all of their organization and participation
 - Good Friday night, but very slow on Saturday morning
 - For next year, now know what volunteer needs are and the types and amount of food
 - Note that, in the cafeteria, the popcorn machine and microwave need to be plugged into separate outlets
 - Estimated \$1500 brought in, approximately \$700 profit
- Instrumental Music Camp Reimbursement Form – Revision
 - Ideas presented by Mr. Miller at last month's meeting will go forward
- Booth WiFi
 - Rod Dickerson researched options for using dedicated tablets.
 - Amazon tablets won't work because they don't run on the Android operating system.
 - tablets that have a SIM card to enable cellular data connections start around \$200 for no-name models, and are about \$250 for name brand (Samsung, LG, etc). I talked to one of the vendors that I work with a lot and he agreed to sell GLIMB 2 Samsung tablets for \$200 each. These are \$250 list price, and they will take our tax exemption form as well, so no tax.
 - I called Verizon and it is possible to get a 2GB shared data plan for \$20/month, with a \$10 access fee per device, for a total of \$40/month. This would be month-to-month with no contract, so we could turn it off in the off-season. I think 2GB would be enough data for the low-volume transactions for the card swipe device.
 - Jeanne Gokcen will check with her resources to see if there are any other options.



New Business

- OMEA State Contest Band, April 28-29, 2017 at GLHS
 - Will know number of participants on April 1
- Nominating Committee
 - Consists of President, President-elect, and at least one Director. Both Mr. Cebriak and Mr. Dengel will participate.
- 2017 Lunch on the Lawn
 - April 28th, which conflicts with OMEA State Contest Band. Mr. Cebriak will try to get Lunch on the Lawn rescheduled.
 - Cost is \$50
 - Will sell only pop and candy
- GLIMB received a thank you note on 8/23/16 from Julio Valladares, Treasurer of GJPS, for GLIMB's donation of \$827 toward a new video system in the band room.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn; Rob Cebriak, 2nd Kevin Dengel
Meeting adjourned at: 8:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Gokcen, GLIMB Secretary