



April 3, 2017

Attendance; Beth Bentley, David Prater, Kathy Koors, Rob Cebriak, Greg Miller, Kristi Nye, Megan Snide, Rod Dickerson, Kris Squillante, Sonya Barratta, Chris Lutz

**Called to order:** 7:40pm

**Approval of Minutes** – Note: Make sure amended/corrected minutes are reissued and post on the website.

Correction: Greg Miller was not present at the March 7, 2017 meeting.

Motion to approve 3-7-17 minutes as amended; Rob Cebriak, 2<sup>nd</sup> Greg Miller.

**Treasurer's Report** (attached) – Kathy Koors

- (See report)
- When we get an accountant to do our taxes maybe they could help with cleaning up some of the Quick Books entries.
- Band Council is still carrying a credit balance.
- The Jazz Bands received a donation of \$374 for the New Orleans trip.
- A motion to approve the treasurer's report, and approved.

**Assistant Treasurer's Report** – Marla Becker

Not present. No report.

### **Director's Reports:**

#### **Mr. Jonathon Bradshaw – Middle School South**

Not present.

March was a busy month for the MSS band program. After finishing our winter concert at the end of February, we began preparations for solo and ensemble event. There are 20 events from South participating this Saturday 4/8 at Central Crossing High School in Grove City. 13 soloists and 7 ensembles made up of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, including the MSS Woodwind Choir will perform for adjudication.

In 8<sup>th</sup> grade band, every student was assigned to a small ensemble and we have spent the last month preparing music in small groups. This past Friday was our "recital day" when each group performed for the rest of the class. A few of these groups will go on to perform this weekend at S & E.

The Jazz band had 4 performances within a two week span. Besides our winter concert performance, they also played two performances for the MSS Dinner Theater (put on by the choir students), and played at the Gahanna District Jazz Festival. The jazz band continues to meet through the end of the school year when we will perform for the MSS Awards Night and the MSS Talent Show.

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade band has begun to prepare music for Junior High Large Group Adjudicated Event to be held on May 12/13 at Central Crossing High School. The 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade band students are working on music for our Spring Band Concert on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at GMSW.

Thank you for all you do to support our students' music education!



### **Mr. Greg Miller- Middle School West**

#### **Since last we met...**

- Students in the MSW Jazz Band participated in the All-District Jazz Festival on March 14. The early start time seemed to work well, and our students really enjoyed the performances by other ensembles. **Thanks** to GLIMB for providing our guest artist, Jamey Aebersold!

#### **Coming up soon...**

- 7<sup>th</sup> grade band, choir, and strings students at Middle School West will be attending a performance by the Columbus Symphony Orchestra on Wednesday. We have spent portions of two class periods reviewing materials provided by the CSO to prepare for the performance, which will include selections by Beethoven, Mozart, Brahms, Chopin, and Debussy. **Thanks** to GLIMB for providing tickets to this event for all band and strings students, and thanks to GMSW office/administration for accommodating this trip by altering our state testing and lunch schedules!
- Nearly 20 MSW band events are set to perform at OMEA Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event this Saturday at Central Crossing High School. All 8<sup>th</sup> grade band members are participating in an ensemble, and about half of these ensembles will perform at the OMEA event on Saturday. **Thanks** to GLIMB for providing registration costs for this event!
- The month of May is shaping up to be a busy one for MSW band students: On Saturday, May 13, we anticipate having the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band perform for OMEA Large Group Adjudicated Event, again held at Central Crossing High School. This date is not "for-sure" yet, and the backup date is Wednesday, May 17 at Capital University. Additionally, we are planning a field trip to Chapelfield Elementary in mid-May by the Jazz Band and Woodwind Quintet, along with our Spring Band Concert on Monday, May 15 and a performance by the Jazz Band at MSW Honors Night on Thursday, May 18.

#### **Thanks for all you do!**

### **Ms. Ballard – Middle School East**

Not present.

- Middle School East will have 26 events at this week's Solo and Ensemble event. Thanks to the Boosters for the entry fees.
- Our finale concert is scheduled for Monday, May 8 at MSW with a 7:30 start. 6th, 7th, and 8th Bands will perform.
- On May 12, 2017, MSE 8th Band will perform for OMEA Large Group event. Please consider this my formal request for the \$150 entry fee.

### **Mr. Dengel – Orchestra**

Not present.

Last month, we organized a 30 person trip to the Ohio Theatre for the Columbus Symphony's performance of *'Pixar in Concert.'* I was most excited that this trip was student-initiated and that 30 students attended on the first day of Spring Break! Everyone really enjoyed the live music with film sequence projections – including my son!

The enrollment deadline for our orchestra's trip to Orlando was March 16. We are sitting at 90 students and 142 total travelers. The students have been hard at work preparing their repertoire for the trip. Last month's combined first rehearsal sounded great! It was a motivator for the students to generate that much collective sound.

We have a final Parent Trip Meeting on Sunday, April 23 in the Orchestra Room. This is concurrent with an evening rehearsal for the orchestra in the Band Room. I will submit a copy of our final itinerary at the May meeting.

More on the trip next time!

This Wednesday, we will be taking the eighth grade orchestras to see the Columbus Symphony Orchestra's Young Peoples Concert entitled *'The Symphony Unplugged.'* Thank you GLIMB, for covering the cost of the students' tickets. Additionally, a huge thank you to our middle school principals who helped make sure our students could have this experience by shifting the time and dates of state tests, during their test planning months ago!



The members of the pit orchestra had their first ("Stumble Through") rehearsals last week. Things are off to a great start. Seven weeks until the show!

I have included three items for Kathy Koors.

**Mrs. Shellhammer – Jazz**

Not present.

The Jazz Bands will travel to Capital University this Friday to participate in their jazz festival. We will observe several other high school jazz bands, participate in instrument-specific clinics, hear some of the Capital groups, and receive a clinic from one of the professional adjudicators after our performances. After the festival concludes, we will be enjoying dinner at the TAT Restaurant in Berwick. Thank you for supporting our participation in this festival and dinner.

The 23rd Annual All-District Jazz Festival on March 14, featuring Jamey Aebersold, was a big success. The impact the guest artists have on the students each year is difficult to measure but it is immense. Thank you so very much for your long-standing support of this concert and the guest artists!

And, last but not least, is Jazz Nite – May 5. This is the final performance of the year for the jazz bands and will feature many seniors. Melanie Ryan and Kelley Henry are the parents who are handling a great deal of the leg work on organization, with some help on publicity from Hinda Mitchell. Thank you, Melanie, Kelley, and Hinda!

As always, THANK YOU for your support of the jazz band program.

**Mr. Cebriak-GLHS Director**

**Since last we met:**

- 45 bands have signed up for state OMEAs.
- Our two prospective Capital music majors, Sarah Arbaugh and Jacob Masi were both accepted and received music scholarships as well. Congratulations!
- Senior overnight was a fun event for all involved last Friday/Saturday. Thank you to Mrs. Bentley, Mr. Prater, Mrs. Linker, and Mr. Stepp for being our chaperones.
- We're deep into preparations for state contest with Gold and Freshman Bands. The scheduling is challenging with testing, Good Friday, Lunch on the Lawn, ACT day, etc., but we're also looking to bring in a clinician to work with each group. Thanks for your support of this.
- Three freshmen will be performing at JH Solo & Ensemble this Saturday. Best wishes to them.

**Coming up:**

- Taskforce & Quintessence will be performing for the NHS induction on 4/11. Both groups have been meeting at 6:45 am once/week--what dedicated kids (especially since some of them also do jazz band!)
- We are planning to send a 60-piece or so pep band to the Honor Flight on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. This is a great community service opportunity for us, and it's great to see the kids being so supportive of our veterans.
- State contest will be held here on April 28-29. It will be big—45 bands coming here to GLHS. Expect to run both stages through mid-afternoon on Saturday. I will be working on the schedule this week and into the weekend.
- We are organizing a tour of a few elementary schools for Blue Band, and perhaps a trip to the Senior Citizen Center for clarinet choir. More on this later.
- We are in need of sousaphones for next year. We only have 10 instruments and will be marching 12 kids in that section next year (which is great news for the tuba sections of the concert bands). Two practice sousas and two performance sousas are going to cost around \$19,000. I will have about \$4000-5000 left over from my school budget, and I am requesting that GLIMB set aside \$15,000 for the remainder.
- Until about 5 years ago, GLIMB met on Tuesdays. We changed this to accommodate the class schedule of one of the treasurers. Would it be possible to move it back to Tuesday to better align with Mr. Bradshaw's and Mrs. Shellhammer's Heisey schedule?
  - The Board opinion seems like it would not be a problem.



Thank you for all you do!

**Concession Report** – Jim Slates  
Not present.

- The Pepsi deliveries were supposed to be every other week and not weekly. If we want to continue every week deliveries, we will be charged \$40 on the off weeks we get deliveries.

**Volunteer Report** – Kristi Nye

- We will need to have one of the hot dog steamers repaired.

**Uniform Report** – Donna Staten  
Not present. No report.

**Hospitality Report** – Cathy Ryan, Julie Remer  
Not present. No report.

### **Old Business**

- Band OMEAs
  - The first band could arrive around 3:15
  - There was discussion about the programs, having Logo Images sell t-shirts during the contest, getting the sign-ups set up online, and the food.
- Instrumental Music Camp Reimbursement Form
  - Continued discussion on the form and procedures
  - There have been 2 students with financial need request funds for the Capital music camp. After discussion Beth made a motion to allocate \$150 for each of the students requesting funds (\$300 total), seconded by Kris S. Approved.
- Lunch on the Lawn – We will not be participating this year due to state OMEA's that day.
- Many of the spring volunteer forms have been returned.

### **New Business**

- New Sousaphones
  - As brought up under Mr. Cebriak's report, the band needs to purchase 4 sousaphones for around \$19,000. There is \$4,000 to \$5,000 left in the budget for instrument purchase.
  - After discussion, Beth made a motion to approve the over-the-budget amount of \$15,000 for the purchase. Second by Kris S. Approved.
- Nomination of New Officers
  - Sonya Barratta was nominated for President-Elect, Kris Squillante for Secretary, and Melanie Ryan for Treasurer.
  - There were no additional nominations from the floor. The nominees will be voted on at the May meeting.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn; Kris Squillante, 2<sup>nd</sup> Megan Snide

Meeting adjourned at: 8:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Gokcen, GLIMB Secretary