

GJHS Music Parent's Board Meeting March 16, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Janice Lange at 5:38 p.m.

Attendance: Janice Lange, Deb Bock, Paula Casey, Erica Eng, Isaac Lavadie, Theresa Bloom, Mimi Donnelly-Renner

Minutes from Meeting of February 9, 2010 were read and approved

Treasurers Report: Deb Bock reported that the Jazz Dinner Dance made money and that bingo also made \$145 in February/\$129 to band, although expenses had not yet been paid.

The monthly treasurers report was reviewed by members.

Bingo Report: A discussion was held on bingo. Per the graphs and P&L sheet provided by the treasurer, profits are not offsetting losses/costs. According to Deb Bock, bingo has been averaging fewer than 60 people per session for the past 6 months. Mimi Donnelly Renner reviewed the bar graph and pointed out that if you average the profits and losses since July we have only made a total of about \$2500 (\$2805). Concern was voiced about what to replace bingo with since it was in the past a money maker. Theresa suggested that this be looked at as two problems. 1) We cannot financially sustain continued losses and 2) we need to cut costs and explore other revenue options. Theresa also stated that the board needed to act on this soon if, as discussed in the previous meeting, we could not sustain another financial loss. Janice requested that a vote to discontinue bingo be tabled until April 7th when a quorum of board members are present.

Administration: There is a need to replace outgoing board members and to develop new committee chairs and volunteers for several positions. Elections will be held at the April 7th concert. Janice will send bingo and recruiting emails to Isaac and he will forward these to the parents.

Band Projects: Discount Cards – Janice found a program called Work Together Now that offers cards that have discounts to 150+ area businesses. The sale price of the cards is \$10 and we receive \$5 for each card. They can be printed the same day. For every 200 we order we receive 10 for free. We can return any unsold cards to the company, so there is no financial liability to us if we do not sell them all. Janice will order 400, and each student will be asked to check out 5-10 to sell.

Wind Ensemble Concert – is in Ft. Collins, the students will leave on Sunday and come home on Monday. It is the same weekend as FBLA, which affects six of the students who are in both groups. A discussion was held on how best to enable the students to participate in both. Isaac is working with Jane Nelms on this.

Spring Parents Meeting/Swap – This will be on April 29th. Tiger tours begin at 5. We will have a BBQ for freshman families. Sign up sheets will be available to get families involved in helping. For the swap, upper classmen can bring in their gear for freshman to buy, and can talk to the freshmen about band when they are there. A discussion was held about selling food, Mimi will call on this. Deb will provide a continuous video presentation for freshmen and parents.

Uniform Check in – the Aides will do uniform check in. Isaac will remind the students to clean out their uniform bags since many of them still contain shoes, gloves, etc.

Funds Requests: \$250 was requested for the CHASA festival on 4/6, pre-festival on 4/7 and all state on 4/8 and 9.

A request for \$500 for WL Whaley for marching band show prep was moved and approved. Isaac explained that this is a one time fee for the year that will enable the band to access Mr. Whaley with questions, requests for assistance, etc.

Open Floor: Erica put together a notebook for the silent auction for next year. The winter guard will perform on Saturday at 4:30. They did very well in competition.

Next Meeting: April 20, 2010 at 5:30 Meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted 3/30/10 Theresa Bloom for Mimi D.