**GBN Music Booster Meeting Minutes**

**January 14, 2020**

**Present –** Sue Loster, Ronnie Bakir, Betsy Carrera, Maria Cornejo Garcia, Stephen Cornejo Garcia,

Tara Peters, Chris McHenry, Laura Johnson, Lori Kent, Gail Alwan, Lauren Whisnant, Dana King,

Anthony Bordignon, Angie Aguirre, Christine Housour

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Sue Loster called meeting to order; Stephen Cornejo Garcia seconded. Meeting start time: 6:42 pm

**President’s Welcome/Introductions (Sue L.):** Sue L. motioned to approve last meeting minutes;

Maria Cornejo Garcia seconded. Meeting minutes approved.

**Staff Reports (Laura J. & Lauren W.)**

Choir

* Choir concert will be: Feb 27th
* Men of Note pizza party will be: Feb 26th

Band

Symphonic Band Spring Performance Fundraiser:

* SnapRaise! will be used to raise funds for the April 8th concert in Chicago this spring.
* This fundraiser’s goal is set at $5000. $3000 out of $4500 initially needed has already been raised; $1500 more is still needed.
* Fundraising is set to begin next Tuesday, January 21, 2020.
* Funds raised will be allotted toward extra activity buses and money for dinner.
* The plan is to travel to downtown Chicago after school and eat dinner before the performance.
* Ms. Whisnant requested $4500 from the Music Boosters to go toward the performance fee, which is due February 1, 2020.
* Ms. Whisnant will pay back the Music Boosters once the money is raised through the fundraiser.

Sue motioned to give Ms. Whisnant the money needed to pay performance fee. Christine H. seconded the motion*.* \**A $4500 check will be written for this fee*.

**Treasurer’s Report (Chris McHenry)**

* As of the end of December 2019, grand total in the Music Boosters’ budget is approximately $22,000.
* In November 2019, additional membership deposits, $ from Amazon Smiles, and other deposits were made.
* Chris reported she followed up with the Carol Stream Park District and they will refund $200 from the pool party that was held back in August 2019.

**Family (food) Nights (Ronnie Bakir)**

* Potbelly’s was slated for December 2019, but they informed us that Potbelly’s will no longer sponsor Family Nights.
* Next Family Food Nights will be:
  + January 28th,2020: Portillo’s
  + March 1st, 2020: Village Tavern
* Tara Peters suggested to consider restaurant “Fulla Bologna” in Bloomingdale for a future Family Night.

**Old Business (Sue L.)** None

**New Business/ Upcoming Events:**

Upcoming Band Concerts (Lauren):

* February 20, 2020 (Symphonic and Intermediate)
* February 24, 2020 (Concert and Jazz band)

William R. Schraft Award (Sue L.): a $1000 student scholarship opportunity for a graduating HS senior.

* An essay is required along with a list of music-related and extracurricular activities.
* Applications will be due February 27, 2020.
* Scholarship Award will be announced Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at the Scholarship & Awards Night.

**Boosters need a committee to read essays, help decide scholarship winner, pickup scholarship applications from Ms. Munro, make copies, distribute to Ms. Whisnant and Ms. Johnson and one other committee member.**

*\*Christine H. volunteered to pick up from Ms. Munro on March 2nd, 2020 and make copies. Angie Aguirre volunteered to read essays/applications along with Ms. Whisnant and Ms. Johnson. Copies will be returned to Christine H., who will tally and record the decision.*

Trivia Night: (Tara Peters)

* Theme will be: “Back to the 80’s,”
* Location: Glendale Lakes Golf Club
* February 29, 2020, at 6:00pm
* $30 per person; cash bar included; Ticket purchases due by February 14, 2020
* Buffet, soup, salad, dessert will be provided as part of fee
* Tables seat 10 people
* Raffle prizes include raffle baskets with band and choir items

\*Tara to send invitations and donation request letters tomorrow to parents via students and membership emails. She is working on sending out 65, with a goal of 100, to solicit donations from our members. Need donations by February 14, 2020.

Ms. Johnson suggested to call Bob Rogers Travel for possible donation.

\*Ms. Whisnant will email Music Booster membership requesting donations for raffle baskets.

**Volunteers needed to help at this event. Volunteers are requested to wear “I’m with the Band.” t-shirts and “We sing so you don’t have to.” T-shirts during the event. \*Contact Tara Peters via email if you want to volunteer**.

Music Boosters Picnic (Sue L.): Tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 21, 2020; GBN graduation will be Friday, May 22, 2020; considering Armstrong Park-Kids World again for this year’s picnic.

**Open Floor**

2020-2021 Music Booster Officers (Sue L.): this discussion is tabled until the next meeting.

Fundraiser Idea (Chris McHenry)

* Carol Stream Pride Store can design and sponsor a gas station pump for our school for three months; to start end of February 2020
* Location of the gas station pump is the BP gas station across from Village Tavern in Carol Stream
* Music Boosters artwork is needed from GBN; artwork paid for from funds raised.
* Benefits include:
  + Location is a BP gas station in Carol Stream
  + No cost to us
  + 1-3 cents per gallon is donated to our school from gas pump purchases

\**Ms. Whisnant to get artwork image tomorrow and contact Christ McHenry.*

*\*Chris McHenry to follow up with her contact and ask about making this location a yearly fundraising spot.*

“Pass the Hat Collection” Fundraising Report (Lauren):

* December 2019 concert raised $1000 from the “hat” collection
* Additionally, $1500 was collected from one parent and another parent gave a $1000 donation.

\*Next meeting will be: Tuesday, March 3rd, 2020 at 6:30pm.

**Adjournment:**

Lauren Whisnant motioned to adjourn meeting. Tara Peters seconded this motion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

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***(\*) Denotes an Action Item. (\_\_\_) Underlined items are important dates to note. (Bold) items indicate volunteers needed.***