

Girard Music and Drama Booster Meeting
June 8, 2023

In attendance: Michelle Wheeler, Gary and Sarah Clawson, Julie Rastatter, Michele Baumgratz, Nancy Bottom, Missy Ryan, Shawn and Christy Durfee, Devin Rossey, Mike Abbey

Meeting began at 6:20pm at Girard High School

1. Secretary's Report
 - a. Reading of the minutes from May 2023 meeting
 - b. Julie is working on gathering and checking all emails for boosters/parents for the Booster Gmail account, so that we have up to date emails to send out minutes and information.
 - c. Shawn Durfee made a motion to approve and Michele Baumgratz seconded. Motion passed.

2. Girard Music and Drama Boosters Website
 - a. Due to time restraints for Mr. Rossey, Michele Baumgratz made a motion to have Mr. Rossey give us an update on changes made to the main page of the website. Mike Abbey seconded.
 - b. Photos and videos have begun to be updated to reflect our band and drama club.
 - c. Forms available on the website will go directly to the Booster email
 - d. There will be a calendar to keep up on upcoming events.
 - e. Information will be provided on all aspects of joining band and drama
 - i. Questions were posed on how registration will go for the 2023 season for marching band?
 - ii. Date for registration forms to be turned in?
 - iii. Idea for an all call for a ice cream social to promote interest in band

3. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Missy provided us with a separate sheet with all the treasurer report information
 - b. Missy and Nancy were getting together in the near future to work on getting ready for the switchover of the treasurer and for the changing of banks.
 - c. Michele B. made a motion to approve and Shawn D. seconded.

4. Vice President's report
 - a. Fundraiser report
 - i. Candy bars need to be ordered. Normal order to be made. Shawn motioned to approve and Michelle Wheeler seconded.
 - ii. Dan Rice Days- working on getting a booth secured for a fire pit raffle, having Funk and Junk on Main St set up one of their mannequins with a band uniform on it with a monitored donation bucket, and doing trash pick up during the event.

iii. Proposed doing the Mile Long Yard Sale again having a bake sale and coffee.

b. Other fundraising ideas proposed:

- Hold our own garage sale and sell spots for it
- Hold at least 2 car washes
- Have a Motorcycle Run on August 26th, check in at 9:30am (optimal time, no other runs going on). Would have 5 schools participate and 5 stops for bikers. Cost would be \$20 a bike and \$10 for an additional ride and proceeds will benefit our own school's band. Every school would have their own chosen starting spot. Proposed our spot to be the Lake Erie Community Park. Each registered bike would receive a puck kickstand "Stands for Bands". Rather than a traditional poker run we would use dice and play Yahtzee rather than poker. We would use the bottom half of a Yahtzee card. Only cost incurred would be for the pucks and food. Can look into food donations as well.

Michele B. has contacted 4 schools to see if they would like to participate: Corry, Maplewood, Conneaut, and North East.

- Home show on October 7, 2023 Will a food license be needed for concession stand???
- Apple cider and donuts at all home games
- Craft fair on November 11th
- Purse Bingo set for May 11, 2024 at same location

c. Motion to approve made by Julie and Christy seconded.

5. a. Band Director's Report

i. Not present

b. Colorguard Report

i. Mr. Rossey is going to pick out a speaker on Amazon and send the link to Shawn to purchase for the colorguard.

6. a. Old Business

- The Scholarship Committee met May 18th and chose the recipients of the 2 available scholarships.
- Need to find out how to get a hold of scholarship winners to have them verify that they are going to school.

b. New Business

- Michele B. made a motion to discuss the need for a third scholarship to be added to our scholarships as the 2 scholarships available through the boosters are not available to the colorguard. After discussion, it was decided to include a new 3rd scholarship for the boosters to award each year for \$500. Michele B. made a motion to name the scholarship after our colorguard director! Christy seconded. The scholarship will be named the Devin M. Rossey Colorguard Scholarship. Congratulations Mr. Rossey and thank you for all your hard work!

- It was discussed that students may apply for all 3 scholarships as long as they qualify. However, they may not be awarded more than one. If no one qualifies for a scholarship then no scholarship will be awarded. Michele B. made a motion to approve and Shawn seconded.
- Mike would like everyone to print out a copy of the bi-laws and look them over and pen in any changes that you feel are necessary. Then we will set a date this summer to review the bi-laws, discuss and implement any changes so that we can have an updated copy of the bi-laws.
- The use of the Amazon smiles donation program was suggested to be used for any upcoming purchases. It was determined at the time of the minutes being typed that this program has been discontinued.

7. Dates to put on the calendar

a. Booster Meeting, 1st Wednesday of the month at 6pm in the Band Room

- July 5
- August 2
- September 6
- October 4
- November 1
- December 6
- January 3
- February 7
- March 6
- April 3
- May 1

b. Other Dates

- Cadet Marching Band Clinic – June 21
- Bi Law Review Meeting – Late June/Early July ???
- Dan Rice Days Band Booth– August 3,4,& 5th
- Mile Long Yard Sale Bake Sale – August 11&12
- Stands for Bands Yahtzee Run – August 26
- October Winds (Our Home Show) – October 7
- Craft Fair – November 11th
- RAMS play – December 7-9
- GHS play – April 11-13, 2024
- Purse BINGO – May 11