

Geneseo Performing Arts Council (GPAC) Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 7, 2018
Geneseo High School Choir Room

Meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m.

June Agenda approved as presented.

May Minutes were approved as presented (Randi Winfrey 1st, Tonya Miller 2nd).

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tara Flies: A change in the budget needs to be made. This change came to Steve Scherer's and Tara's attention well after the approval. The change is on Marching Band Camp Staff Line #7021. It will go from \$1,000 to \$2,000. Each year we have Winter Drum Line and Winter Guard. In the past, the students paid a fee and it went toward paying for a drum line and color guard instructor. The school has informed Steve that they are no longer able to charge a fee for this since they are starting to charge a participation fee for year 2018-2019. The Directors can't charge something separate for an instructor. The school also informed Steve that they are no longer willing to pay the fee to the instructors. The instructors are paid \$500 for Winter Guard and Winter Drum Line. This Budget Addendum will need to be voted upon. The \$1,000 comes from the Marching Band Camp Staff Line because it relates to marching band. The Winter Drum Line and Winter Guard keep them in shape and ready for the upcoming season. ~~ Our year closes on June 30th, so any outstanding receipts, purchases, etc. has to be done by June 30th. A notification to Directors will be sent. ~~ On our line item for scholarships it shows \$1,200. That's the actual amount of checks we cut, now we have 21 students going to Smith Waldbridge so that is an additional \$2,100 that will be added to this line. Total for Scholarship = \$3,300. ~~ On the New Fundraiser line we had another \$150 come in from United Way, etc. ~~ HarvestFest (\$18,888) it looks to be smaller than we budgeted, but actually it is not. HarvestFest pays GPAC and then GPAC turns around and cuts them a check for \$5,000 for start-up fees. This year instead of giving the \$5,000 back for start-up fees, we have decided for HarvestFest to keep the start-up fee so we do not have to start out a negative \$5,000 in the HarvestFest Line. If you add the 5,000 to the 18888 we made over what we budgeted for HarvestFest. ~~ Leadership for the Speech part of our council will need to be established since the teachers have found another position.

DIRECTORS REPORT

Mr. Versluis: I believe I speak for all the Directors when I say Thank you GPAC and all the parents that help students throughout this entire school year. With everything that has been going on with this new building and all the extra help that took place.....you helped make the transition smoother. I think we were anticipating negative reactions, but it never happened. Next year is exciting to see what it brings. Also with a new Superintendent it will be interesting to see the new ideas brought to the district. He does have an interest in the Fine Arts as his children are in band. Middle School still has a Tuba need. Summer Band and Jazz Band have been going for a week now. Our Summer Concert is June 26th in the Park (Jazz and Band) for the Ice Cream Social (gave information to Lisa Cotter from the City). FINE ARTS CALENDAR is 99.9% finished. I am in charge of the Calendar now. It is ready to be sent out to District Website.

OLD BUSINESS

Ice Cream Social (Tina Poel) absent-no report

Marching Band Boot Camp Update (Emily Nyquist/Margie Calderon) We had a really good turn out and it went really well.

Harvest Festival Update (Val Plumley/Kirsten Jorgensen) An email went out to all the past chairs. We are trying to start early and meet so we can make sure we have everything down that we need to start on. Val is waiting on Mr. Gronski to get paperwork to get all that finished. All parking lots and buildings are set and on everyone's calendar. Amy Dierick will be the Air Gram Chair (Nicole Manasco may want to volunteer for this position). Julia Buzard can instruct Amy on what is needed, etc. Derrick Seys needs a shadow for Volunteer Coordinator. It was confirmed that Alumni GPAC can volunteer, but cannot chair an event position.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Addendum approval Voting: Jill Darin motions to adjust the 2018-2019 Budget to increase the Marching Band Camp Staff line to \$2,000 from \$1,000 to accommodate paying Winter Drum Line and Winter Guard Staff. Open for Discussion: John Versluis-Winter Guard and Winter Drum Line is not just for High School students. There have been Middle School students that have participated in those events. He was not opposed to using the money in this way, but being a part of the GEA and being in discussion for bargaining, etc. I know why the district is not taking these on. John thinks it would be better if there was a line that said Winter Guard and a line \$500 and another that said Winter Drum Line \$500. They are separate events and don't go to the same person. They do separate things and aren't technically a part of the Marching Season. The Marching Band season ends on Quarter One. Tara Flies - We can add any lines to accommodate. We just did not think about it, nor did the fact that Middle School students were a part of these winter programs. I believe this would be grooming the students for Marching Band season. But we certainly can easily add line item for Winter Guard and Winter Drum Line. John Versluis - Having the fees in separate lines may indicate to the district that it could be an extension of the Marching Band season. Further discussion, Winter Drum Line and Winter Guard are extended to all students that may or may not be a part of the Marching Band in the area they are participating in. These programs are Co-E'd and gives opportunity to all interested. We still feel it is a performing art.

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Jill Darin amends her motion to add one item line for \$500 for Winter Guard Staff and another item line for \$500 for Winter Drum Line Staff. Derrick Seys 2nd the amended motion. Voting: all in favor none opposed, motion carried and approved.

Proposal for equipment for Concert Hall (Steve Scherer/Jennifer Schmedding) Steve provided Wenger proposal. This purchase has been approved by the district. We did get another quote from other companies. We are waiting on GPAC decision. All chairs and stands will be stored in the Hall in their own racks. Storage has been arranged for this in advance. **Jill Darin makes a motion that we spend the quoted amount on the Wenger proposal of \$19,843.00.**

Randi Winfree 2nd the motion. Discussion: Derrick Seys talked about the delivery and delivery time. He spoke of a concern for arrangement of help when delivered. Question came up as to where the money will come from. Tara Flies stated there are options. Money could come from GPAC CD (\$50,000), but currently the checking account alone has a balance of \$108,953. Typically we run with about \$75-80,000. We have two options: (1) pay for this invoice out of checking and not touch CD, or (2) cash out the cd with minimal interest charge. **Voting: all in favor none opposed, motion carried and approved.**

Storage of Madrigal items and trailer (Jennifer Schmedding) Propose a date to gather people together to take trailer to storage and unload items. Then take the trailer to the Darin's to store in barn so that they can get the pad poured and get the pod set for storage. Then we will unload the storage shed and put in in the pod. When it is convenient for Todd Nyquist to do this Jen will arrange. Bob Manasco asks that within the moving of the storage that the plywood for the piano's be placed where they can be easily taken for HarvestFest.

Music Festival (Jennifer Schmedding) Per Steve Scherer, the district has approved this event. The date approved is March 16, 2019. We think this may replace the fruit sale. We will do one more fruit sale to see about the success of the fruit sale. Budget will need to be reviewed again. John Versluis suggest going forward as usual. It should be similar to IGSM or Marching Band Classic type event. It is a High School Concert Band Festival. Music for All will give us direction but cannot advertise our event since they only do one per state and Hersey already has that slot. This event is already on Fine Arts Calendar. This is smaller scale than HarvestFest. We will have admissions, concession, judges and tee shirt sells. Like Herseys in the past. All depends on how many schools we get in the first year.

Jill Darin announces responses from previous email sent request chair replacements: TJ and Shelley Splear stepping up to be GPAC quarter master; Stephanie Bauer taking over Jazz Show; Becky Daniels and another parent to start a community study to help with percentage of volunteers; Linda Schmidt stepping up for recital concession sale and shadowing Fruit Sale or Uniforms.

Jennifer Schmedding and Anne Seys are planning a Senior GPAC Recognition Party at the Schmedding's on August 10th @ 6:30 pm. Will send out a note when it gets closer.

****Todd Nyquist (Marching Band Pit)** As a Pit Crew Person, we have podiums that we set up for the Drum Majors. There are no railings, they are getting "rickety" and have already had to have one welded together. The tires/wheels are getting bad. I have been talking with Mr. Scherer about getting new ones. We will defer to him on what he believes they may need but we would like to see this done this year for the safety of anyone who climbs on top of these tall podiums. Steve sent links to a few items. General is \$800 but one with railing is about \$2,000 budget for \$5,000 and we should come in under that. The railed podiums would be a great addition.

****Note for next year New Business discussion:** Nicole Manasco Could Speech and Theater line #7207 be separated for 2018-2019. Tara Flies stated that any and all can be separated. We will wait to see how the Speech position pans out.

The next scheduled GPAC Meeting will be in **AUGUST 2, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the High School Choir Room.** Jill Darin motioned to adjourn meeting and Janet Larson 2nd. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Anne Seys
GPAC Secretary

Attendees Jill Darin – Jen Schmedding – John Versluis – Larry Lord – Tara Flies – Machala Ullrick – Tonya Miller – Todd & Emily Nyquist – Mandy Lievens – Stephanie Bauer – Julia Buzard – Kirsten & Jaimie Jorgensen – Randi Winfree – Amy Diericks – Valerie Plumley – Simon & Kristi Possin – Janet & Jim Larson – Amy Lovig – Derrick & Anne Seys – Nicole & Bob Manasco – Jennifer Ulam – T.J. & Michelle Splear
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