

Geneseo Performing Arts Council (GPAC) Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 3, 2018
Geneseo High School Choir Room

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

May Agenda approved as presented.

April Minutes approved as presented (Marshall Plumley 1st, Machala Ullrick 2nd).

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tara Flies: Budget vs. Actual Sheet – Spring Fundraiser is successful this year. We are seeing donations exceeding the \$10.00 requested. Budgeted \$1200 and currently received \$1852. Scholarships – currently have 5 applications. Application are due May 10. A reminder should be resent with directions. Tara will get leadership camp information from Steve. Theater Flowers – Not on the B vs A Sheet. \$350 brought in. This did very well. We need to approve the Budget – no changes done on income line – some changes done on lines pertaining to middle school expenses requested by Mr. Versluis. Admin and Miscellaneous will change from \$1500 to \$1700. Net income of \$4,600 (rather than \$4,800).

DIRECTORS REPORT

Mr. Versluis: All Unit concerts are coming up. All Unit Choir in concert hall – 7:00 pm. Thursday Night all unit band 7:00pm. We have announced next year's 8th grade trip which we will be going to see Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Forms are being turned in since this event needs to be paid by next Friday (5/11/18). We did apply for the 7th grade to perform as 8th graders at the IMEC in January 2019.

Mr. Scherer: The musical was very successful. The idea for having the Pit piped into the Theater was wonderful. Kudos to Larry Lord for all his work in making it a success. The orchestra could play at full volume and it gave the theater controllers more range to work with to make it sound great. Joe DePauw insisted that the orchestra "take a bow" on the stage as recorded music played. Everything was fantastic. All Unit Band Concert will be in the Gym this year with over 300 students and their instruments. 60th Annual All Unit Band. Marching Band rehearsing right now. Show name is AROUND THE WORLD IN 8 MINUTES. Will have music from various countries. We have about 80% of the music already. Dan Moore will be finishing everything this week. We will have 100 in the marching band, 63 in symphonic band. We are in good shape for the summer. No packing, storing, moving stuff back and forth, etc. Band Award Nights – Will be in the Concert Hall. Traffic pattern is being worked on. No Summer Band Concert. Musical Idea – sale tickets for the pit area. Possibly 80 empty chairs. Next year they are planning a matinee for the musical. Risers were assembled on this day. A proposal for 100 stands, 100 chairs and podium has been created. The cost is \$13,300 and does not include shipping for the chairs. With shipping total could be \$14,000. Jill Darin (Treasurers and Jen S.) met with Mr. Gronski on Monday. He wants to send an email to all directors to see what is needed and see if it can be covered under the 1% and other projects they have going on. Jill D. stated that the district confirmed that anything over \$500 must be approved before purchasing. All gifting must be approved before they can receive/take gift. The District must make sure they can maintain the gift, have the room to store, make sure they are safe for the kids, etc. The District would like to partner with GPAC on the funding of the purchase of the chairs, stands and podium. Jen Schmedding would like to submit paperwork, so we are good to go on chair, etc. purchase. In June we will know more about this purchase.

Mr. Hernandez: (absent – via email sent to Jen Schmedding) 6th Grade band played at IGSMMA and was the only beginning band in the state to perform out of 57 bands. Last concert for the 6th Grade band will be May 14th in the Concert Hall. Thank you for your support of our band this year.

Mr. Eckwall: (Absent – via email sent to Jen Schmedding) Preparing for our 3-concert finale at the end of the year. All Unit is this coming Monday (Thank you for purchasing the new risers). Next concert is Monday, May 14 and our spring programs are later that week or following week. Southwest will be May 17th, Milikin Friday May 18, and Northside May 23 and will take place at their perspective schools.

OLD BUSINESS

Awards Night Reception (Board) Agenda for Awards Night (Randy Winfree) – Absent due to sickness – Jen Schmedding sent last year's agenda out for review. Forward any changes to Randi. Jen needs Band Officer names from Steve Scherer. SignUp.com for Awards Night for volunteers for cookies, ushers (?), servers, etc. 8th graders and Juniors to bring 2 dozen cookies. Location will be in reception of the Concert Hall. Punch recipe: Green HiC and 7up

Spring Musical (Bob Manasco) Everything went really well – all three shows sold out – some confusion on first night where we had to call patrons to remind about showtime etc. Going forward we talked about using the ticket website to collect money as well. We hope that we sold enough advertisement to make up for the program cost. Flowers sold very well – Hyvee in Silvis did a great job – sold out. Two shows on Saturdays for musicals will be added and Thursdays are left open in case we need to add a 5th show.

NEW BUSINESS

Gift for Mr. L. Johnson: (Jen Schmedding) Ideas were discussed what GPAC has done in past for retiring fine arts teachers. Suggestion made to present a gift card and present at the All Unit concert.

Budget Approval (Tara Flies) Jill Darin made the motion (Marshall Plumley 2nd) to approve the budget as presented during the Treasurers Report. Vote passed.

Nominations for Elections (Jill Darin) Assistant Treasurers positions have been filled. Still need parent(s) to be:

VP of Instrumental Band

Nine (9) At-Large Members

At-Large Members help conduct business and chair or co-chair a position. All Board Member tenure is 2 years. The need for Board Members should be posted in next program we have for concert. Afterwards an email should be sent out about this subject as well. We will vote on this in June. Any Parent(s) can be a board member if they have a child in any fine arts (choir, theater, speech, band). If you know of any good candidates, please let Jill Darin know.

Ice Cream Social (Tina Poel) June 26 date is approved for the middle school social. We will do the same set up. SignUp.com will be used. We will have a special diet section (for diabetic, gluten free, etc.).

Marching Band Meeting (Emily Nyquist) This is the boot camp meeting for new parents. Date will be established, and notification will be sent out at a later time.

Harvest Festival (Marshall Plumley) Established date is September 22-23rd. An email will go out next week to the past chairs to see who is still interested in that position. Anyone that does not plan to do that position for the fall, please start looking for someone to shadow, etc. or let us know as soon as possible so that we can fill it this fall. Please is to have a meeting in June to kick off planning. Building use forms, rain dates and plan, etc. has been reduced and will be pulled together this week. Any changes let Valerie know. Building Use Fee – last year we paid \$705 (for one day for custodian and admin support). This year we have a one-page contract with use of the entire complex, including the middle school. This includes custodian, administrative, everything. They are asking a fee of \$1,000. This includes the rain plan using the building and guaranteeing the usage of the building. Still need volunteer staff to watch hallways. Medical help needs to be added – a tent with a medical background volunteer (first responders accredited - professional). For both venues. GPAC will be able to provide a certificate of liability to the district for this event as requested. Agreement is between GPAC and district and Marshall Plumley stated a signature is required in approving the fee and contract put forth. Amy Lovig (Tara Flies 2nd) motioned to agree on fee contract. Voted and passed.

Social Outing (Anne Seys) Creative expressions galena – Create a Wooden Sign Night – at Realyn's May 24th 6-8:00pm

The next scheduled GPAC Meeting will be in **JUNE 7, 2018, 6:30 PM, Choir Room, GHS** . John Versluis motioned to adjourn meeting and Machala Ullrick 2nd the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Anne Seys
GPAC Secretary

Attendees Anne & Derrick Seys – Kirsten & Jaime Jorgenson – Tonya Miller –Anne Coughlen – Machala Ullrick – Marshall Plumley – Tina Poel – Todd & Emily Nyquist – Jill Darin – Janet Larson – Tara Flies – Jen Schmedding – Amy Lovig – Bob and Nicole Manasco – Pam Lowe – Steve Scherer
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