

Gates Chili Music Booster Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 14, 2009

Welcome

- President Dawn Hayden welcomed all the parents to the meeting stating that “It warms the cockles of my heart to see all of you parents here tonight.”
- Thank you, once again, to all the parents who helped so much with the can/bottle drive.
- Thank you to all who participated in the pasta dinner fundraiser for the Skelly family. Kudos to the Pappas and the Wainwrights for organizing the event.
- In the first two weeks in October, Mark’s Pizzeria will donate \$1 for every pizza purchased towards the fund to help out the Skelly family.
- **Please**, everyone, fill out the volunteer forms that came home with your students. It’s important that we have your e-mail address for sending out updates.
- If you are not receiving e-mails, please check with Dawn that she has the correct information.

Treasurer’s Report – Laura Bacon

- We have received another check from the ink cartridge/cell phone fundraiser. This has turned out to be an easy and profitable fundraiser. Thanks to Mike Baxendell for coordinating this.
- Profit from the can/bottle drive is around \$10,200.
- The next payment for the Florida trip will be due October 7 and the final payment is due November 18.
- Student credits will be updated soon and posted in the band/chorus rooms.

Director Report - Mr. Maginn

- Thanks to the Pappas for organizing the band bowling party.
- The first football game of the year went very well. We are a non competition band so we do not practice as much as other bands do. The students did very well in their performance.
- There will be more bleachers coming for the next home game as there wasn’t enough seating at the first home game for all the band members.
- Field Show is this Friday, September 18. Info has been sent home. Band members are to arrive at 6 p.m.
- Mansfield University will be performing at the end of the field show. The band will line up on the track to watch the performance.
- There will be a dance after the show in the gym from 9 – 11 p.m.
- A general “permission to travel” form has been sent home to be signed by parents and returned. This will cover permission for local trips that the band might go on i.e. to perform at the mall.
- Requirements and expectations for band participation will be sent home this week. This form also needs to be signed and returned. Along with that is a calendar for the year.

- We have received confirmation that the band will be performing in an evening parade in the Magic Kingdom on Monday, December 28 in either the 7 or 9 pm parade. We will not know which until 2 weeks prior to the trip.
- The Orlando parade is December 30 and begins at 11 am.
- The choir will perform twice on December 29 at 6:45 pm and 8:15 pm in the America Gardens in Epcot.
- A November meeting is tentatively planned for parents concerning the trip.
- November 2 there will be a chaperone meeting. (Also booster meeting that night.)
- Bedore Tours Bus Company will be our bus company conducting the trip.
- Choir people will be contacted regarding “filling in” some spots in the color guard for the parade.
- Room sign up will be held soon for the students going on the trip.

Volunteers – Gail Ehmann

- Gail is looking for volunteers for the next home game which will be Homecoming on October 3.

Field Show – Karen and Mike Casella

- Programs/tickets were handed out to parents who sold ads for our program to be delivered to our advertisers. Each advertiser is given two free tickets to the show.
- Parents are asked to wear a band t-shirt or navy blue shirt and wear a Gates Chili sticker when helping out at the field show to identify yourselves.
- We are still looking for donations of baked goods/food items for the hospitality room where the chaperones/bus drivers from the other schools coming to the field show will be hanging out.

Respectfully submitted by
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