

Gates Chili Music Booster Meeting Minutes  
Monday, October 5, 2009

Welcome

- President Dawn Hayden welcomed all the parents to the meeting.
- The photo that was taken during band camp of the entire band as well as the photo of the seniors will be going up on the website shortly. Parents are welcome to print off copies for their own use.
- Congratulations and a huge thanks to Mike and Karen Casella and all who worked on the Fall Field Show Festival. It was a great success with the highest profit ever.
- Printer cartridge recycling program continues to be a huge success with very little effort. Don't forget to send in your used cell phones/printer cartridges.

Winter Guard International Competition – Dick Hoppe

- Competition will be held on Feb. 20, 2010. Asking Music Boosters to coordinate/staff concessions for the event as a fundraiser. Concessions are along the lines of breakfast to hots/hamburgers/pizza. Time involved is approximately 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. for concessions.
- So far 18 guards have accepted. (Generally there are 50-60 guards competing with each bringing about 30 people.)
- Expectation is high for large attendance as special deals are being offered and there are low entrance fees.
- A preliminary meeting has been held with the Gates Chili Food Service Director to map out what would be involved.
- Go to [www.wgi.org](http://www.wgi.org) for info on the competition here.

Director Report - Mr. Maginn

- Next game is Friday, October 9, 2009. The plan is to announce the seniors at the game. (*Band did not play due to rain.*)
- There is a practice on October 15 after school for ONLY those participating in the trip to Florida.
- There will be a meeting November 4 at 7 pm for chaperones going on the Florida trip.
- The first band practice for the Florida trip will be inside the gym on November 17 from 7- 8:30 pm. There will be about 4 such practices in total.
- There will be a meeting for all students and parents going on the trip on November 23.
- Parents, continue to ask students for handouts/check the website for many upcoming dates for performances/practices.
- Amy Frietas continues to work towards getting local television coverage for the parade.
- After the field show, one of the judges came into the band periods and viewed the video with the students giving a critique of their performance.

Field Show – Karen and Mike Casella

- Thank you to everyone who helped with the Field Show. It was truly a team effort. Special thanks to the sales team who worked this summer selling ads and to the sports boosters for staffing the concession stand. Also, thanks to the Gates Chili custodial staff and security staff for all their help. Great job!

Fruit Sale

- Credits from this year's fruit sale **will** be counted towards the Florida trip so **sell that fruit!!**
- Kick off week of October 26.
- Order collection will be November 10 and delivery on December 8.

Poinsettia Sale – Amy Frietas

- Approximate start of sale is November 23. Order collection Dec. 7.
- Pick up will be, as usual, after the choral concert on December 14.
- There will also be Garden Factory gift cards for sale again.
- Credits from the poinsettia sale **will not** count towards this year's Florida trip but will be held in the student's account for future use.

Pancake Breakfast fundraiser

- Will be held on December 5, 2009 at Applebee's on Chili Ave. This was an excellent fundraiser last year and worth doing again.

Other Business

- T-shirt/Hoodie Sale is now closed.
- Sue Cramer requested money for the purchase of more booster jackets as we do not have enough for the many volunteers we have helping at events. Funds were approved to purchase 10 more jackets not to exceed the amount of \$500.

Prayers are requested from everyone for Paul Skelly who is being challenged by his fight against cancer.

Respectfully submitted by  
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