

GVMPA

Meeting Minutes – May 30, 2023

In attendance:

Kerry Cavalcanto, Alex Nikas, Eileen O'Malley, Chris Scott,
Christine Tseng, Danielle Werkeiser, Will Shafer, Eileen Colucci, Amy Dibble, Ben Dibble,
Brian Opielski, Minal Parikh, Kartick Sundaram

1. Approval of April 2023 meeting minutes—moved and approved
2. Reports from Officers and Representatives
 - a. President's Report – Danielle Werkeiser
 - Busy past month (May), with GVHS Musical; Elementary, MS and HS concerts; StringFest (360 students!)
 - Presentation by Danielle of 2022-2023 GVMPA senior scholarships (recipients: Sophia Nikas, David Ruccius, Julie Huffman)
 - Alex Nikas and Christine Tseng will finish GVMPA Board positions in June 2023
 - b. Student/ISC Officers' Reports
 - Not present at this meeting
 - c. Treasurer's Report – Alex Nikas
 - End-of-school year budget has good outcome (net \$20,000+)
 - Still waiting for information from Indoor Staff to pay them
 - 2022 Shack made almost \$10,000 above budget
 - Treasurer's Report approved
 - d. Financial Secretary's Report – Chris Scott
 - Indoor Color Guard Winter fundraiser was problematic (not managed by GVMPA; should be managed by GVMPA in the future); incomplete information and missing funds/inventory
 - Next fundraiser will be Mums Sale in Fall 2023 (Chris suggests that we pay vendor to deliver entire order to GVHS)

ACTION: Chris/GVMPA Board to get the early word out about Mums Sale (soon after August marching band camps)

e. Elementary Instrumental Director Report – Will Shafer

- GV merch at elementary concerts this school year were a hit
- Will noted that GVSD still needs an elementary band director (Will has mentioned this to Superintendent Dr. Goffredo in the past)
- Caution about trouble to come:
 - Elementary music staffing, only ONE music teacher (not a new hire) for 5/6 Center?
 - Next year may be final year for 4th grade orchestra and band?
- Suggested that GV music parents approach the School Board with their concerns

- Music parent Brian Opielski said parents need to know what will be changed so they know how to approach the School Board
- Music parent Kartick Sundaram asked for list of what parents can do; he can then post information on Atwater FB page
- Music parent Amy Dibble suggested that a video be made of student performances and students' responses, which can then be presented to School Board
- Was suggested that GVMPA Board ask recipients of this year's senior scholarships for permission to share their applications with the School Board

ACTION: GVMPA Board to finalize letter with our response to the proposed changes to GVSD music schedules, etc.; Danielle to send to School Board next week

ACTION: Kerry informed meeting attendees that she will be participating in the Coffee with the Superintendent on 6/8; Kerry to report on what happens

f. MS Instrumental Director's Report – Adam Search

- Not present at this meeting

g. HS Choral Director's Report – Katie Domizio

- Not present at this meeting

h. HS Instrumental Director's Report – Alex Siwa

- Not present at this meeting
- (Alex had meeting about design of marching band program at the same time)

3. Unfinished/New Business

- a. Open Board Positions—TWO positions available (Secretary, At-Large); if anyone has questions, feel free to ask a Board member

b. 2023-2024 GVMPA Board—approved:

President – Danielle Werkeiser

Vice-President – Kerry Cavalcanto

Treasurer – Eileen O’Malley

Financial Secretary – Chris Scott

Secretary - OPEN

At-Large – Vijaya Vissapragada Parakala

At-Large – OPEN

-- Transition meeting to be scheduled soon

4. Committee Reports / Planning

-- 2023-2024 Shack: Shack in good condition; has been used recently by various sports teams with no issues; Shack Attack (clean-up and prep for new season) will be in August 2023 and parents of Junior Patriots (football) have offered to help again this year

5. Upcoming Events

a. HS Graduation – 6/2

b. Malvern Memorial Day Parade (Marching Band) – 6/4

c. Marching Band Mini-Camp – 6/6-6/8

d. GVMPA Membership Meeting – TBA

e. GV School Board Meeting – 7/17 (General Wayne Elementary)

6. Adjournment