

GCCC Parent Board Meeting Minutes
Date: 11-5-12, 7:00pm, MSEC

In attendance:

Melanie Popejoy, Kecia Peters, Amy Sanner, Karen Molmen, David Molmen, Greg Nelson, Kelly Wavra, Hal Halliday, Janet Schreier, Jeanne Thibert.

Financial Director: Greg

\$7,000.00 on Butter Braids.

\$10,000.00 in account.

Myra Foundation Funds will be found out in February.

Submit Novak Funds in December.

Capstone: Tuition and Grant Revenue pays the Directors and Accompanists salaries. Expenses for our organization are about \$60,000.00 per year. Granted funds generate about 20%-30% of our operating expenses. Over the last few years, we have been breaking even with the program.

Artistic Director: Melanie

*Musically everything is going well.

*Kecia needs program information.

*GCCC received an invitation to sing the National Anthem at a GFPS Board Meeting, Nov. 26th.

*It has been approved to go ahead with the plans for the New York trip. Melanie heard from Mr. Thompson today.

Managing Director: Kecia

*Tickets for Holiday Raffle see below

GG Team Janet

*GGs had an event on Sunday, October 28th. GGs were given the opportunity to learn about the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program that is being taught in all elementary and middle schools. Sarah Shimek provided the training. A follow-up discussion regarding Rachel's Challenge is planned for January.

Old Business:

- We continued with our long range planning.
- Stake holder groups: Melanie shared her experience with UND. Students that have been in GCCC show a strong work ethic in performance groups at UND and make up a considerable percentage of concert choir members.
- GGs: We discussed developing certain curricular modules for different age groups and having a framework to work with each year. Possible topics could include leadership, and peer mediators for conflict within the group. GGs could be more effective in our program if we gave them the tools.
- Alumni: We would like to find a mechanism to be in contact with them and develop a network (Ex Facebook). Some of our alumni are now 24 years old, and we would like to know how GCCC affected their lives as young adults. We would like to see if the individuals would write testimonials to include on the website or forum.
- We would like to provide our staff with professional development opportunities and perhaps open that up to GFPS music teachers.
- Publicity: We would like to create a local buzz with media about our organization. We would like our "brand" out there via merchandise and our kids being present within the community to increase continuing awareness of the program.

- *Pride of North Dakota
 - *Nursing Homes
 - *Salvation Army Bell Ringers
 - *Potato Bowl Parade
 - *National Anthems
 - *Perform with someone who has a famous name and the students perform with them.

New Business:

GCCC invitation to sing the National Anthem at a GF & GFAFB Board Meeting, Nov. 26th

Winter Concert Dec. 7, 7:00pm

* Pictures @ 6:15pm, Doors open to audience at 7:00pm.

*Raffle: Silent Auction/Holiday Raffle with tickets. We'd like to conduct this in the same manner as last year. Parents would purchase tickets and enter to win a variety of gift baskets and specialty items. Tickets will be available to purchase at dress rehearsal and prior to the concert while the groups are taking pictures. Winners could then be announced immediately following the concert to avoid our staff having to contact winners and deliver baskets.

*Melanie would like to see that this happens annually so it used for tuition assistance. Greg indicated that people seemed to enjoy this.

*Tickets sales will be available @ dress rehearsal.

1 Ticket -\$2.50

2 Tickets -\$5

5 Tickets \$10

15 Tickets \$20

*Melanie will send out Quarter Notes this week.

Photo Form

Reminder for Volunteers for Baskets

Dress Rehearsal

Upcoming Calendar:

*Classic Pops Concert: Jan 27th 3:00pm Chester Fritz. Involves Accordo, Primo, Middle Orchestra and North Valley Youth Orchestra. Ticket price \$5.00 each \$3.00 for military and educator. Children 12 and under are free. Our board will spread the word. Next meeting we will discuss developing a poster for advertisement.

*Trivia Night Fundraiser: Feb. 9th 6:00 pm Sharon Lutheran as a possible site. We may also look into a larger venue. \$5,000.00 has been made in previous years. Theme this year is planned to be the Academy Awards. We typically get 19-20 tables, but would like to see more.

Meeting was adjourned at: 8:35pm

Next meeting: December 10th, 7:00pm.

Popejoy's House-2582 Glen Circle

*Bring a finger food to share.

Minutes submitted by Kelly Wavra.