

# GPABC Minutes

## September 9, 2008

**Meeting called to order** at 6:33 p.m. by president Johnny Gardetto.

### Opening Statement – Johnny Gardetto

- GPABC Board contact sheet and Committee Sign-up sheets were routed. Several new sports reps were in attendance.
- Johnny and the Board acknowledged **Gary Forbord** for his efforts in coordinating all the Fall sports ticket taking again this year. Gary no longer has a student attending GHS, is an at large member, and chooses to remain an active representative of the GPABC. Gary's work is especially appreciated this year in particular because all of the early inside Fall sporting events were rescheduled to different locations because of the unavailability of our gym. Gary and his crew of volunteer ticket takers moved with the teams and took care of all the events. Thank you, Gary!

**August Minutes:** Motion made, seconded and unanimously approved Minutes from meeting of August 13, 2008. Minutes are posted on the website, [www.greendaleboosterclub.org](http://www.greendaleboosterclub.org).

**Treasurer's Report – Greg Turay.** (See attached spreadsheet report.) Treasurer's Report is in a new format for ease in reading and tracking past years' performances. 2008-09 column reports from July 1, 2008, to date. Greg explained process of funds transferring between the Booster Club and the District.

- **National City Bank** (f/k/a St. Francis Bank): The Bank's "Community Fund" program promises money to the GPABC for opening new checking or saving accounts. Check it out!

**Project selection – Rob Hamby.** Winter Sports project select items were due September 1<sup>st</sup>, but most requests still have items to consider.

- **Girls Basketball:** Motion made, seconded and unanimously approved to spend \$485 (incl \$50 for painting/logo), plus shipping for a stronger and larger ball cart painted with school colors.
- **Boys Basketball:** Motion made, seconded and unanimously approved to spend \$1344 for the purchase of warm-up shirts and pants. This is part of the uniform/warm-up replacement cycle budgeted amount of \$2175; more may be added because of the \$831 balance left to use.
- **Hockey:** Motion made, seconded and unanimously approved to spend \$50 for the purchase of practice cones and not more than \$50 for tool chest supplies. Hockey will not be requesting funds to purchase coaches' jackets.
- **Bowling:** Motion made, seconded and unanimously approved to spend \$500 for team shirts. This is also part of the uniform/warm-up replacement cycle budget.
  - Bowling coach may submit request for bowling balls for JV. The team used to get all its bowling balls from the Bowling Congress which is moving at the end of October. Coach will check with Bowlers Pro Shop, a GPABC sponsor, for their items.
- **Boys Swim:** Detailed request will be presented at October's meeting.
  - Putting request together to have the parkas purchased last year embroidered with a number for tracking purposes and "GHS."
  - Also looking for enhancements to timing system and other equipment that would be used by both boys and girls swim.
- **Wrestling:** Detailed request will be presented at October's meeting.
  - Team is in need of pads for new weight room walls which are cement and mirrored. Milwaukee Sporting Goods has given the district a bid. The former weight lifting room will not be ready for several weeks, but safety issues must be addressed before the team starts practicing. Gina will be looking into the District's position on covering the cost of padding this area for the athlete's safety.

### AD Update – Gina Wilkins

- A FREE clinic regarding college scholarship opportunities and the college recruiting process will be conducted by Jack Renkens, an NCAA recruiter, at Whitnall HS on 11/10/08 and at Wauwatosa West HS on 11/11/08. See GHS or GPABC websites for more information.
- GYM update: All of the old furniture and unused items at school were stored in the gym during renovation of GHS. Greendale and other area schools have been tagging items to reuse, and there is a possibility of a rummage sale at some point. All indoor Fall sport teams have been very cooperative in moving their events to other schools. Martin Luther HS and Wauwatosa West were also very understanding in adjusting schedules. All items should be cleared out by Homecoming weekend, but activities until then will be rescheduled elsewhere. The gym floor may be refinished in October.

### Fundraiser / Activity Reports

- **Membership Drive – Lisa Vickery.** Currently \$10,315 collected to date (201 memberships to date versus a total of 237 last year. ALL sports reps are expected to sign up as members. Sent a mailing to alumni and received good response; will continue this practice next year. This year, Lisa is going to push ticket sales

after the membership drive is done. Money from tickets to GHS sporting events purchased through the G P A B C directly benefits the athletes; tickets purchased at the gate/door go into the general District budget.

- If you know of a family who doesn't have a student at GHS, but want tickets to events, contact Lisa Vickery at [lisajv01@hotmail.com](mailto:lisajv01@hotmail.com) or refer them to the G P A B C website for an order form.

• **Fall Program Book** – Gail Prindiville. 750 program books are being printed for use over the next 2 weekends. More will be printed if needed for the Eisenhower game in October. New sponsors this year include: Biltrite, Culver's (Hales Corners), and Village Nails (Hales Corners). Please sponsor these businesses! Overall ads are down a little, but should be made up for the bigger size ads taken by this year's sponsors. Parent ads have more than doubled. Thanks to all the Fall sports reps for contacting the advertisers: Diane Gracz (Cheer), Melanie Kuzmanovic (Poms), Judy Hansen (Football), Chris Goodman (Cross-Country), Boys Soccer (Laurie Placek), Mary Jo Tracy (Girls Swim), Renee Brunelli (Girls Tennis), Holly Blankenmeyer (Girls Volleyball), and Heidi Bukowski (Boys Volleyball). Still looking for someone to chair the 2009 Fall Program Book Committee.

• **Homecoming Tailgate Event** – Annette St. Martin for Martha Knezic. Ticket sales are still slow. Will sell tickets at 9/10 open house and first home football game on 9/12. There will be some room for walkup orders. The location of the tail-gate party needs to be determined because of construction interference. Please spread the word about the tailgate party before the homecoming game on September 19<sup>th</sup>; baskets are only \$5 each. Order form is available on the website.

• **Jimmy K's Night** – Annette St. Martin. August proceeds were about \$38. Use the coupons for a chance to win a FREE family size pizza awarded each month and pizza punch card. Judy Hansen was the August winner! **Next date is Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>**. Look for Jimmy K's pizza at outdoor concessions this year.

**Officer reports** – Johnny Gardetto

• **Hay Days Run/Walk:** G P A B C was contacted by School Board President Judy Fons to partner with "Step Up to Better Health" during its annual Run/Walk over Hay Days weekend, 10/4/08. The contact is Cris Reischel of the Health Department. Six volunteers are needed to assist with registration and crossing guard duties during the run from 7:30 to about 10 a.m. on Saturday 10/4/08. The G P A B C will receive 50% of the registration fees. Last year there were about 150 participants. Contact Johnny if you are interested in helping out with this event. (Registration forms will be posted on the website.)

• **Outdoor Concessions:** Counters and cabinets are installed and plumbing and electrical are finishing up. Cindy will re-organize concession area on Wednesday evening. Stand should be ready for first home game on Friday against Greenfield. (WEAR WHITE!) Sports reps and teams who work in concessions should give feedback on setup and what can be done to improve safety and traffic.

- If you need volunteers for staffing the concession stand for an assigned event, Lisa Vickery has the new volunteerlist prepared from the membership application forms. **Please refer to and USE those people who have indicated their willingness to work concessions.**

• Because of a conflict with their parent night, Wrestling agreed to switch nights in the concession

stand

with Cheer. Thank you Wrestling for being so flexible!

• **Committee Volunteers** – Linda Marolt. Linda distributed a draft of Sports Rep Responsibilities. She is putting together a booklet to inform new sports reps about the "behind the scenes stuff" that reps need to know to participate in the G P A B C. An "exiting" section was suggested as an addition. Linda will finalize the booklet. She and other officers will meet to review the booklet and information with all new sports reps. Direct any other suggestions for the book to Linda.

• **We need NEW chairpersons in the following areas:** Fall Program Book; Indoor concessions; Golf Outing; Village Days. It is important to fill these key fund-raising activities. Contact Linda if you are interested in learning more about these positions or partnering with another sports rep to handle.

• **Website tracking update**

- During the two week period of August 18<sup>th</sup> – August 31<sup>st</sup>:
  - 78 different people visited the website (106 visit overall)
  - One visit from the United Kingdom
  - Average page views is 2.90 (looking for a number under 4; this means this site has good organization)
    - 40.57 % Direct traffic – meaning our website link is being used
    - 38.68 % Referring sites – meaning our link through another site
    - 20.75 % Search engine – meaning something like "Google"

• **By-Law changes:** We received feedback from two ex-officers which make the By-Laws easier to read and understand.

The following change will be inserted into the By-Laws:

