

**Souderton Area High School
Big Red Band Boosters
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Feb. 6, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM in the band room.

President's Report (Marie Allen):

The minutes from the January meeting were read and approved as written.

Concert Sundaes – the BRBB needs to gather \$500 in donations from patrons who support the Concert Sundaes program. Patrons will be listed in the concert series brochure.

The first Disney deposit of \$150 is due on February 17th. If people know incoming 9th graders that are not on our mailing list, please let Tracy Bean know so that she can add them to the distribution list.

We are still looking for someone to shadow the jazz show coordinator and indoor drumline/color guard show coordinator. Please let Marie know if you could recommend someone for either of these positions or a position on the executive committee for next year.

In the past, we have had people do recruiting for the marching band and color guard at the spring middle school concerts. This has been handled in various ways at the two middle schools (Indian Valley and Indian Crest) based on who is up to the task of helping with this effort. If you are interested in helping with this, please let Marie know.

5K fundraiser – the committee did a great job organizing a 5K fundraiser and had this ready to go, but the high school has requested that the band not do it in the spring due to a schedule conflict. Therefore, the committee will plan on holding the race in the fall.

First Vice President's Report (Georgia Myers):

Georgia will soon be putting together a nominating committee to nominate officers for next year's BRBB Executive board. If you are interested in being on the nominating committee or the executive board, please let Georgia know. Georgia will also be putting together show dates for next fall soon, so band directors should let her know preferences about this, particularly Souderton's home show, the Celebration of Bands.

2nd Vice President's Report (Becky Sell): nothing to report

Secretary's report (Kelly Mowery): nothing to report

Treasurer's Report (Anne Marie Resnick):

We had an unbudgeted, approved expenditure for new speakers. The actual cost was covered, in part, by the indoor drumline budget. However, the remainder of that expenditure is now reflected in the unbudgeted, approved category of the monthly balance sheet. We also received an anonymous donation of \$750 that will be spent on new plumes.

Anne Marie also gave a brief overview of the two primary ways students can earn money to offset expenses associated with marching band. One way is by earning and using student credit. Student credit is earned primarily through the flower and wreath sales. Student credit can be used for anything band related (gloves, shoes, Disney costs, etc.). However, it cannot be used to pay the \$150 participation fee for participating in indoor drumline or indoor colorguard. That fee is paid directly to the school district and is out of the BRBB's control. The second main way of raising funds to cover band expenses is through use of the Scrip program. Scrip can be used for ANYTHING, including indoor drumline and indoor guard. Students can even cast out their earning from the Scrip program for their personal use. There is the potential for students to raise a significant amount of funds through the Scrip program. Please see Anne Marie or Sam Esquirell for details about this program!

Director at Large's Report (Frank Falbo): nothing to report

Director's Report (Ms. Tink):

Ms. Tink reported that indoor guard received their new floor. The indoor guard and drumline went to their first show and did well.

Website Committee Report (Tracey Bean/Jeanette Wunderly):

Tracy is meeting with Steve Basile after this meeting about the website. Tracy has also created four new email distribution lists so that communications can be targeted to their intended audiences.

Uniform Committee (Tracey Bean/Kelly Mowery):

The first uniform return date was Thursday, January 26th from 5:00 to 7:30 PM. The majority of band members returned their uniform on this date. The uniform committee will be coordinating directly with the remaining members to get the last uniforms returned.

Quartermaster Report (Bill Schloo): nothing to report

Jazz Show:

This show will be held on April 7th. We still need a committee chair for the event. Please consider stepping up to head this committee for next year, and be trained by this year's committee chair.

Indoor Home Show:

This show will be held on April 29th. We still need a committee chair for the event. Please consider stepping up to head this committee for next year, and receive the benefit of training under this year's committee chair.

General business:

Someone asked if the high school band and color guard could go to the middle schools to perform in order to advertise the organizations. Marie answered that this has been attempted, but scheduling is incredibly difficult and, unfortunately, a larger hurdle than one would expect.

The question was also raised if a director could give an overview of the Wildwood trip. Ms. Tink explained that this is a trip in which the indoor guard and drumline leave early on Thursday morning in

the late spring for a four-day weekend in Wildwood. This year, it is May 4-7. The drumline performs on Thursday, the guard performs on Friday. Then, if both groups make finals, the drumline performs again on Saturday and the guard performs again on Sunday. Parents can purchase wristbands to attend the shows and the amusement parks at a discounted price. Ms. Tink said families should budget \$250 for the trip, and that the directors would be having a mandatory parent meeting soon to discuss details of the Wildwood trip.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 PM. See you March 6th for our next general membership meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Mowery.