

Souderton Area High School
Big Red Band Boosters
General Membership Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM in the band room. The minutes from the March meeting were read and approved as written. In a departure from the agenda, the director's report was then presented.

Director's Report (Mr. Tucker, Mr. Wilson and Ms. Tink): Mr. Tucker announced that the "tag-along pricing" for the upcoming Disney trip is now available and will be posted on the website soon. People who sign up for the trip as tag-along members will be counted as part of the band's total head count, which will help keep overall costs as low as possible for band members. We currently have 59 students signed up for the trip.

The Philadelphia Soul game fundraiser is May 20th. We will begin selling tickets on April 17th, once we have concluded our spring flower sale. Tickets will be on sale until May 5th. Sales will be conducted by collecting money and contact information. Students will then need to deliver tickets to people who purchased them. The band will be buying the tickets for \$17 each, and will sell them for \$25 each. We are required to sell a minimum number of tickets, with the band receiving all profits beyond this minimum amount of sales. The more tickets we sell, the more the band will get to play at the game.

The directors were also asked about the final price and food list for Wildwood. Mr. Wilson and Ms. Tink said they will have this information soon.

Mr. Tucker also announced that applications for drum major and section leader are now available to students via Google classroom.

President's Report (Marie Allen): In addition to the extensive list of dates included in the meeting agenda, Marie announced some additional dates to remember, including:

April 26 – Concert/Symphonic Band spring concert

May 5 – Philadelphia Soul ticket sales end

May 12 – Chorus concert

May 8, 10, 15, 17 and 24 - Marching band parade practices

May 24-27 - Harleysville Fair (band responsible for helping with parking as a fundraiser)

First Vice President's Report (Georgia Myers): The Nominating Committee is in the process of finalizing a slate of nominees for next year's executive committee. If you would like to be considered for a position or would like to nominate someone, please let Georgia know.

2nd Vice President's Report (Becky Sell): Becky will be organizing the concessions for jazz show this weekend. She will also be working on concessions for the indoor championships held at SAHS on April 29th.

Secretary's report (Kelly Mowery): Nothing to report except to clarify that the date for the BRMB to volunteer at the Concert Sundaes event is July 2nd (note the error in the date listed on the meeting agenda).

Treasurer's Report (Anne Marie Resnick): Anne Marie will be updating the Scrip and student credit balances soon. She also pointed out that some expenses associated with the upcoming jazz and indoor shows were now evident on the

monthly balance sheet. We have collected \$150 in patron donations for Concert Sundaes. The financial balance sheet also reflects a marching instructor expense of \$1000 that was not in the original budget.

Director at Large's Report (Frank Falbo): Volunteer signups for the jazz and indoor drumline/guard are available and filling. Nothing else to report.

Director's Report:

See above.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Concert Sundaes: As already noted, the date for Concert Sundaes is July 2, and will feature the Allentown Concert Band.

Website Committee (Tracey Bean/Jeanette Wunderly): The Facebook site has gained more followers and become a valuable presence on social media. The "BRBBinfo" email distribution list has close to 400 addresses subscribed to it. This is great, but some of the subscribers are no longer interested in the BRBB. Tracey hopes to make some improvements to this email database in the future, so that it is an even better resource for communication.

The flower sale is posted on our Facebook site. People are encouraged to share this on their Facebook sites as well in order to increase sales.

Scholarship Committee (Kelly Mowery): The scholarship committee has been assembled and the deadline for students to submit applications closed on March 31st. The committee will be reviewing applications and meeting in late April to compile results. Winners of the scholarships will be announced at the high school awards night in June.

Band Banquet (Stacey Bivighouse): Stacey couldn't be here for tonight's meeting, but let Marie know that she has plenty of help and the banquet is coming together. Students and parents should be on the lookout for invitations in the next few weeks.

Jazz Show (Moni Pradhan/Ellen Adamo): – April 7th – Everyone is looking forward to the jazz show in just four days!

Indoor Home Show (Cathy Nadal): – April 29th – Volunteer signups are now available for this event. Please consider signing up if you have not already done so.

General business: A parent inquired about the date for the Encore drumline end-of-season picnic. Mr. Wilson will communicate this to Encore members.

Another parent asked for an more information about what volunteering for our home jazz show entails. Marie gave an overview of what it is like when we host our jazz show. Julie Zettlemoyer also gave some details regarding this process, along with student Megan Malmquist. These veterans were able to explain the role of host for the show, along with other details. Marie also gave an overview of the volunteer roles and needs for our indoor guard and drumline show, which is a substantial undertaking every year.

Last, Kelly Mowery encouraged people to stay tuned about volunteering to help with parking for the Harleysville Fair. This is a substantial fundraiser for the band, and student participation is needed. Parents are encouraged to prod their students into helping out (encourage them to make it a social event!). 😊 Parents are needed as well.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 PM.

See you May 1st for our next general membership meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Mowery.