

Minutes from BRBB EC Meeting: October 4, 2021
Karen Duffy, 1VP

PRESIDENT

-There is no quorum today (only 4 EC members in attendance - Pres/1VP/2VP/Treas), so members could not vote on bylaws amendment proposal.

- The Secretary and Director at Large positions are still open, and without them the EC cannot reach quorum to vote on any amendments or unbudgeted spending.

-EC meeting was held September 28

-Keystone Opportunity Center donation - much appreciated!

-BRBB is looking to start a monthly raffle for volunteers - 1 chance to win per volunteer slot filled in previous month.

SECRETARY

Website Updates

- Updates to the volunteer list, staff, sponsorship information, general assembly meeting dates, parent handbook, and sign up genius links (restricted access for sign ups) were made (thank you to Brian Diver!)

1VP

Sponsorship Drive

- Donations are due by September 30 in order to be included in the Senior Program October 29.
- Letters mailed, emails sent, and social media post shared.
- Next year, try to start this in August.

Senior Night October 29

- Shannon Nase in athletic department will ask senior parents 1-2 weeks ahead of time for parents' names and seniors' post-high school plans
- Seniors and their parent(s) to be announced at pre-game on October 29
 - Corsages handed out to students at dinner
 - Michelle Martin will hand out parent corsages at stadium

Senior Night Program

- Programs to be handed out at the game
- Thank You to Donna Hilton who is making the programs

Other Photos

- If anyone has band photos that they would permit being used on the band's social media platforms or in the programs, please email to media@soudertonbigred.org

BINGO

- 1VP recommends we do not do Bingo unless we can recruit a chair. All of the gift certificates donated for the 2020 event need to be sorted to determine which ones expired, and then contact the sponsors to ask for updated gift certificates. Many sponsors need 6 months' notice to donate, so we would need to start now.
- SAHS is reserved for March 13, 2022 if we do decide to do this event.
- In 2019, 263 tickets were sold, but 2 people sold 55% of all the tickets, and that was in a year when the band had >80 members. The success of the fundraiser hinges on the number of tickets sold. 2019's Bingo event raised \$8,550 (see April 2019 meeting minutes).
- Alternatives to use the existing prizes include a raffle for the Indoor Show
 - The Indoor Show must be done, so if no chair for Bingo recommend focusing on the Indoor Show event.

Wreath Sale

- Information to be sent later in the week.
- They are sold for \$20 per wreath, and band students can earn student credit for selling wreaths.
- Wreath orders will be due on November 3. Pickup will be the Wed before Thanksgiving, Nov 24.
- Wreaths sold to SAHS teachers will be delivered to SAHS on Monday Nov 29.

2VP

Concessions

- Good sales for the 2 home games so far.
- Additional volunteers needed for Homecoming Oct 8

Friday Night Feasts

- More vegetarian and gluten-free options to be available at future Feasts
- Thank You to the volunteers - no gaps in the schedule !

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

Volunteers

- Still looking for volunteers with a hitch on their personal vehicle that can be used to tow Middle Red.
- Need an underclassman parent to shadow the 2 current senior parent truck drivers (no CDL is required - it is a box truck)
- Please check the Sign Up Genius to sign up for open slots for drivers and ground crew!
 - Homecoming, UD game need volunteers!
 - 10/16 competition - all slots filled
- Chaperones - there are zipties and scissors in the orange backpack to enable you to hang up and take down the senior banner which is hung in front of the band at every home game.

QUARTERMASTER

- Utility Trailer refurbished
- Wheels on synth cart and vibe replaced (Thank You to Eric Platow)
- Drum major podium to be checked to make sure it won't shake

TREASURER

Membership Fees

- 34/43 membership fees collected. Families with financial difficulty, please contact Neil Aldredge (President) about financial support to cover the fees (confidential)

Concessions

- Averaging \$1,000 / game in income thus far

Sponsorships

- Close to \$5,000 received to date.

Overall Budget

- Income \$6,388 / Spending \$3,310 → \$2,565 netted (Sept 30)

Payments

- For small payments (<\$25), BRBB requests that you please pay by cash or check. For larger payments PayPal is fine, but since it applies a fee, it is preferred to use it only for large payments (and users are encouraged to check off "I will cover the fee" and pay the fee so the BRBB doesn't lose that income.

BAND DIRECTOR

- Congratulations for the 1st Place finish at Plymouth-Whitemarsh!
- Trophy to be displayed in the main office for a week, then in the band room
- Props expected to be delivered next week
- A men's size 11.5 pair of band shoes was left in the band room
- Art for the program cover and tour shirt due this week
- Upcoming New Dates
 - Cavalcade to be November 13, location of Hershey to be confirmed
 - Lansdale Mardi Gras Parade - Saturday Nov 20 in the afternoon
 - Souderton Christmas Parade - Saturday Dec 4 at 11 am (Wawa to EMC)

SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook

- BRBB official FB page - EC is troubleshooting access and we are in need of a volunteer to take charge of the page which has not been updated since June
- There is also a private Souderton BRBB Parents FB group which is active and any member can post

Instagram

- @sahsbrmb - please like and follow!

Twitter

- @soudertonbigred - please like and follow!

OTHER COMMITTEES

Bylaws Committee

- Volunteers needed to serve on this committee to review the bylaws

Financial Review Committee

- One more volunteer from the general assembly needed

Band Store (Tammy Aldredge)

- To be online later this week
- Looking into Letterman Jackets options & pricing
- Email bandstore@soudertonbigred.org if you need items (gloves, wrist bands, T shirt, etc)

Banquet

- Need a volunteer to chair

Indoor Show

- Need a volunteer to chair

Scholarship Committee

- Committee needed to award scholarships to 2 seniors
- Freshman parent (Tara Lowden), Sophomore parent (Laurel Wade), Junior parent (Tammy Aldredge) and Alumni parent (needed) will form the committee
- Michelle Martin knows the process and can advise (but noted that she cannot serve on the committee as she is a senior parent)

Restaurant Nights (Carrie Skinfill)

- Trying to arrange Chik-Fil-A
- No other restaurants have responded
- Suggestion to do a social media poll to see if parents willing to drive to Montgomeryville to support a restaurant night there (people at the meeting said yes!)

Tammy Aldredge motioned, and Adina Thomas seconded, to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm