

03FEB2025 BRBB General Assembly Meeting Minutes

Attendees (in-person): Calvin Munden, Karen Duffy, Becki Ralston, Carla Vazquez, Carlos Sanchez, Stephanie Joyce, Karen Evans, Christine Rueger, Tammy Aldredge, Kim Dustin, Chris Dustin,

Attendees (online): Dan McDonough, Jennifer Jones, Michelle Haytko, Peter Haytko

Joined after the vote: Susan Stratton

Staff: Heather Fisher and Alicia Simpson

AGENDA:

Vote on Minutes from Jan General Assembly meeting (were posted on GroupSpot)

Quorum? (Yes)

Motion - Tammy Aldredge

2nd - Stephanie Joyce

Vote: Unanimous to approve the draft of the Jan meeting minutes (14 votes not including President)

President

- Reviewed week's practice schedule, which is also in Encore and Forte GroupSpots (Drumline -this W 6-9:10 pm and Saturday 10am-4 pm; Guard - this R 6:30-9:30 pm and 9-12pm on Saturday)
- First competition will be Saturday Feb 15 at Southern Lehigh High School
- Important Dates: Bingo FUndraiser on Feb 21, Indoor Home Show on April 5, Harleysville Memorial Day Weekend Fair Parking May 21-24.
 - Harleysville Fair parking lots TBD since the Key Bank lot has been sold
- Recruitment for open EC & Committee roles for 2025-2026
 - Open EC Roles include: President, 1VP, Treasurer, Recording Treasurer, Secretary
 - Other Open Roles include: RaiseRight, Senior Night
 - Vote will take place at the BRBB General Assembly meeting in April

1VP update (fundraising)

- Flower Sale Chair is Karen Evans - starting soon
- The EC received student feedback regarding fundraising and will be emailing a survey to parents this week to get ideas on what types of fundraisers they prefer and to suggest any new ideas

2VP update (concessions) - no report

Director At Large

- Sign up Genius for Indoor Competitions [on Saturdays] for chaperones, trailer drivers, etc is available. Lots of volunteers needed - please sign up!
- We really need Guard parents to help with competitions where only the Guard travels (though Drumline parents are welcome to help too!)

Treasurer & Recording Treasurer

- Budget
 - Budget update sent via email; still on track.
 - \$100 received from Lansdale Parade prize
 - Charleston wrapping paper [online-only] fundraiser earned \$836.. These funds are 100% student credit.
 - Margarita's fundraiser raised approximately \$300
- Fees
 - Indoor Fees (\$75 to BRBB) should be paid via cash or check in an envelope with student's name to either the Red Box outside Mrs. Simpson's office in the choir room or hand to Carla Vazquez. Due date is Feb 12 - must be paid before first competition on Feb 15.
 - The separate \$175 SAHS activity fee is also due; directors will check that list and reach out if you haven't yet paid.

Secretary

- Next General Assembly Meeting is Mon March 3 @ 8 pm.
- Meeting Minutes from today's meeting will be posted on GroupSpot; please contact Karen Duffy via GroupSpot or email secretary@soudertonbigred.org if you have any questions or suggestions.

Band Directors

- Alicia Simpson
 - Disney - only ~30 students signed up. Please sign up if interested! We need a minimum of 55 students. Costs increase with a smaller group.
- Heather Fisher
 - Props are being made for both groups; looking great
 - Encore received their uniforms; Forte uniforms will be arriving soon
 - Need volunteers, especially Guard parents, to volunteer for indoor competitions - needed to move props on and off the floor
 - If there is a spot you would like to volunteer for and it's full, please speak with Heather!
 - If there are not enough parent volunteers then Forte will have to withdraw from the competition (for safety)
 - Monday February 10 @ 8 pm in the Main Gym is the Parent Preview for both Encore & Forte - everyone is invited! There will be a Wildwood trip Q&A right afterwards.
 - Wildwood volunteers: 8 adults will be needed as volunteers for the Wildwood trip - 2 chaperones for Encore, 2 chaperones for Forte, and 4 truck drivers/loaders/unloaders (all can also be meal preppers).
 - If you are interested please let Heather and Sean know ASAP.
 - Volunteers must have chaperoned/did ground crew for at least 2 shows this season, so that you know the rules for props and the timing to move on/off the floor.
- Sean Rogan (not present)

Topics from any Special or Standing Committees?

Outdoor Show - Oct 25, 2025 - no report

Uniforms - no report

Quartermaster - Thanks to Ed, Dan, Calvin, Carrie, and Bill for prop building! 4 backdrop frames finished and Guard bed and other props including the Door are in progress. Aux cart castor repaired but will eventually need to be replaced

Technology & Communication - no report

Senior Night - no report

Social Media - no report

By-Laws - no report

Financial Review - no report

RaiseRight - no report

Band Store - no report

Band Picnic - Upper Salford park is booked for all the of the dates we would consider. Mrs. Simpson to determine what dates SAHS is available - possibly the weekend of May 30 ? (if she books it there should be no fee). Parents who are interested in volunteering please contact Susan Stratton.

Scholarship committee - (Calvin on behalf of Ruth Dlvver) Criteria were set and posted on the website www.soudertonbigred.org; Google FOrm sent to Senior and the applications are due by 11:59 pm Feb 23.

- Per Heather Fisher: TIA also awards scholarships and the information went out to Guard parents of Seniors and should be sent soon to Drumline parents of Seniors. These are awarded at Wlldwood. You do not need to have your college/trade school decided yet to apply. .

Indoor Show 2025 - Apr 5 2025 - most subcommittee chairs identified; Sln Up Genius to come out after Bingo. Contact indoor@soudertonbigred.org (Tammy Aldredge) if you have any questions.

Fundraising committees:

Car Wash - no report

Wreath Sale - no report

Bingo - Feb 21 2025 - Sln Up Genius is available for volunteers before and/or during the event, as well as donations. Also see Amazon Wlsh List on GroupSpot for donations (they can ship directly to Christine). Please buy tickets if you can come, and advertise via social media or by printing and posting the flyers!

- You can also make a raffle basket on your own; let Christine Rueger know.
- Gift cards needed; even \$5 -consider purchasing on RaiseRlght so you can earn credit for the purchase (physical gift cards will ship to Carrie Skinfill and Christine can pick them up there).

Flower Sale - starting soon; Flower pickup will be the weekend of Mother's Day.

Fair Parking - no report

Restaurant Night - no report

AOB -

Meeting Adjourned at 8:43 pm