



General Membership Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 16, 2010

Jack Andes, President, Baldwin Music Patrons, welcomed all attendees and called the meeting to order at 7:45pm

Report of the Secretary: Holli Smith presented the following report:

- A. The minutes of the Patron meeting dated January 17, 2010 were presented, and accepted.
- B. Incoming Correspondence:
 - a. Citrix Systems, Inc presented a donation of \$50.00 on behalf of one of its employees, Steven Petrakis.
- C. Outgoing Correspondence:
 - a. A Thank you gift of a BMP shirt and thank you card were delivered to the HS office for Donna Piotrowski, school nurse, for all of her hard work on the recent band trip.

Report of the Treasurer: Bob Smith presented the following:

- a. The Treasurer's statement from January 26, 2010 – February 15, 2010 was presented. All questions were answered and statement approved
- b. The statement included the expenses for the driver of the trailer for the recent band trip.
- c. If any chaperones still had money to be given to Bob, he collected it at that time.

Report of Vice President: Alan Bickerton had nothing to report at this time

Board of Directors Report: Jack Andes made the following report:

- A. Ongoing negotiations continue with BWSD regarding outstanding invoices which the District indicates are owed from the BMP for trailer transport of instruments to Allentown and Annapolis.
- B. The DCI permit has yet to be released from the District pending the payment of said invoices and the signing of an agreement indicating that the BMP will be considered a Student Support Group by District policy 916
- C. The Nominating Committee for the upcoming election of officers has been made:
Participants are:
 - a. Joyce Bickerton
 - b. Char Andes
 - c. Kathy Barone
 - d. Gretchen Crane
 - e. Diane Lenkiewicz
 - f. Linda Russman



- D. Nominations for officers are solicited throughout the upcoming month and presented at meeting in March. Nominations from the floor are accepted at March meeting as well.
- E. Election of new officers is held in April.

Standing Committee Reports:

- A. Membership: Char Andes indicated that current membership stands at 142 members and That membership was closed
- B. Publicity: Char Andes made the following on behalf of Mark Despotakis:
 - a. All trip photos, videos and Notes from the Field are posted on web site
 - b. Mark met with Jim O'Brien, the producer of BWSD Newsletter:
 - i. A copy of last year's DVD was given
 - ii. Assurances were made that the Band would have coverage in the next newsletter. Apparently prior news items that BMP submitted had inadvertently been missed.
 - iii. Mr. O'Brien offered Mark the opportunity to design two pages for the newsletter scheduled for distribution at the end of the school year.
 - iv. Mr. O'Brien further suggested that BMP produce videos which can be played on BHS video station. He was made aware that one had been produced following championships and had also been played at other schools in the district.
 - c. The current years DVD has been produced at a length of one hour, 59 minutes and it was sent to VideoHouse in Greentree for reproduction. To date, 87 orders have been made, and 100 copies will be purchased.
- C. Ways and Means: Melanie Zeitler made the following report:
 - a. Sarris Candy orders are due today, February 16,2010 with Carolyn Lewis administering the sale
 - b. Two more fund raisers will be held in April:
 - 1. Joe Corby
 - 2. Nicholas Coffee
 - c. Melanie will meet notify incoming eighth graders that they can begin fundraising now.
- D. Hoagies: Amy Bower reported:
 - a. Next Hoagie sale is March 20, 2010 which is dress rehearsal for the musical. Hoagie orders are due March 3, 2010. Any participants in both hoagie sale and musical should have another family member available to make and deliver hoagies.
 - b. Thanks to all who participated in hoagie sale on February 7, 2010. Despite its logistical difficulties, the sale was considered a success.
 - c. Eighth graders may also participate in hoagie sales prior to joining Marching band.
- E. Logistics: John Smith had nothing to report
- F. Chaperone: Acting chairperson Holli Smith indicated that only a few chaperones were Indoor band but encouraged all to attend the competitions
- G. Senior Recognition: Joyce Bickerton had nothing to report
- H. Uniforms: Linda McKeever was absent but no report was received.
- I. Banquet: Renee Meyer indicated that meeting will be moved secondary to parking issues.



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- a. Meeting to be held on February 21, 2010 at 2pm, location to be announced
- b. Banquet date: May 17, 2010 @ Georgetown Banquet Center, Pleasant Hills
- J. Scholarship: Luci Marze had nothing to report at this time
- K. Funnel Cake: Diane Smith will be contacting Baldwin Borough regarding upcoming Community Day Festivities
- L. Social: Kathy Barone is in correspondence with Whitehall pool and will report with further information
- M. Patron Clothing: Cindy Hollis indicated that store was currently closed secondary to weather
- N. DCI: Kate Tkach. The following report was received:
 - a. Two corps have already contacted Kate regarding housing for the upcoming event.
 - b. Jack Andes indicated that BMP are still in discussions with BWSD regarding the release of the permit for the upcoming show.
- O. Concession Stand: John Tkach was absent but no report was received.
- P. River City Brass Band: Diane Lenkiewicz was absent but report was received that next concert is March 14, 2010

Music Director's Report: Mr. McKeever made the following report:

- A. Indoor band continues to practice with first performance on March 13, 2010 at McKeesport HS. All participants appear to be enjoying themselves
- B. The concert that was scheduled for March 2, 2010 has been changed to April 8, 2010.
- C. BHS and Mr. McKeever will host PMEA Adjudication on April 16, 2010 from 7am-3pm.

Administrator's Report: No administrators were present and therefore no report was made.

Open Floor Discussion:

- A. Karen Walker indicated that she had recently attended a District Band Performance at Bethel Park High School.
- B. At that time PMEA president spoke and gave accolades to Bethel Park Band
- C. Karen pointed out that there appeared to be much District support for the Music Program at Bethel Park and conceded that she wished there was more support at Baldwin.
- D. She recommended that all should thank Mr. McKeever for the ongoing accomplishments that he has had with the band with such little District support.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm

Respectfully submitted,

Holli F. Smith, Secretary,

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