



**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday September 15, 2009**

Jack Andes, President opened the meeting and welcomed all members to the meeting at 7:33 pm

**1.) Report of the Secretary, Sharon Bommer**

- Minutes of the Patrons Meeting from August 18, 2009 were accepted as presented
- A get well card was sent to Joyce Bickerton

**2.) Report of the Treasurer, Bob Smith**

- The Treasurer Statement from August 16 through September 12, 2009 was accepted as presented
- Bob transferred \$10,000 from the Money Market to Checking to pay on the trip

**3.) Board of Directors Report, Jack Andes**

- Props need finished
- Jack and Alan are working to organize the TOB

\*\*\*\*\*Guest Speaker, Jim Nowalk, President of the BWFTA\*\*\*\*\*

*JIM IS FROM THE BALDWIN WHITEHALL FRIENDS OF THEATER ARTS  
 THE SCHOOL RENOVATIONS COST WAS \$64 MILLION DOLLARS, NO MONIES WERE SET ASIDE FOR AN  
 ORCHESTRA PIT  
 THE RENOVATIONS THAT ARE COVERED UNDER THE ORIGINAL CONTACT ARE THE LIGHTING SYSTEM,  
 MUSIC SYSTEM, AND LOFT REMOVAL  
 THE SCHOOL BOARD WAS NOT CONVINCED THAT WE NEEDED AN ORCHESTRA PIT BUT THEY ARE  
 GIVING JIM A CHANCE TO RAISE THE MONEY FOR ONE  
 THE COST IS GOING TO BE AROUND \$344,000  
 A FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN CALLED "RALLY FOR SHALLEY" AND "NAME A SEAT" ARE 2 WAYS THAT  
 THE BWFTA ARE ATTEMPTING TO GET MONIES. ALSO GRANTS HAVE BEEN APPLIED FOR TO THE  
 HEINZ/GRABLE ORGANIZATIONS  
 CONCERNS ABOUT THE SIZE OF THE PIT, THE RETAINING WALL IS GOING TO BE 5FT DEEP AND 3FT  
 HIGH  
 CONCERNS AND QUESTIONS ABOUT IF THE BWFTA RECEIVES A DONATION AND NOT ENOUGH MONEY  
 IS RAISED FOR THE PROJECT WHAT HAPPENS TO THE MONEY THAT WAS DONATED. MR. NOWALK  
 STATED THAT UNDER THE "NAME A SEAT" FUNDRAISER, THE MONEY WOULD GO TO THE SCHOOL  
 DISTRICT AND IF THE DONATION IS UNDER THE "RALLY FOR SHALLEY" FUNDRAISER, THERE IS A  
 SPOT TO CHECK TO HAVE YOUR DONATION RETURNED  
 CONCERNS ON HOW IT WILL AFFECT OUR BAND CONCERTS, MR. NOWALK DID NOT KNOW THE  
 ANSWER.*

\*\*\*\*\*Guest Speaker ended at 7:55 pm, regular meeting continued\*\*\*\*\*

**4.) Standing Committee Reports**

- a) Ways & Means, Melanie Zeitler.

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- Joe Corbis pick up was tonight
- Melanie is asking for some volunteers when fundraisers are picked up
- b) Membership, Char Andes
  - As of tonight we have 113 members
  - It is only \$5.00 per person
- c) Publicity, Mark Despotakis (Char Andes reporting):
  - Pictures and video are on the web site
- d) Hoagies, Amy Bower
  - This Saturday is our first hoagie sale
  - Approximately 3,000 hoagies are to be made
  - IF your child is selling hoagies, they have to be there
  - This hoagie sale is already credited to this months trip payment
  - Also, Amy has a sample of the band jackets that are sold, see Amy for more information
- e) Logistics & Props, John Smith
  - Thank you to all that have helped out so far, Thursday and Saturday after hoagies, help is needed
- f) Chaperone, Holli Smith
  - 3 events coming up
  - 8 boats (16 people will be needed just for the props)
  - 5:45 is the report time for Friday, Double check the Bugle for any more changes
  - If a chaperones has a problem with a student, they are to notify the staff
  - All day practices, the band feeds the children dinner
- g) Senior Recognition, Joyce Bickerton (Alan reporting)
  - The date is October 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - Donations of food and coke products are needed
  - Thank you in advance for the donation
- h) Uniforms, Linda McKeever
  - All going fine
- i) Banquet, Renee Meyer (Jack reporting)
  - May 17<sup>th</sup> at Georgetown, still checking other places
- j) Scholarship, Luci Marze
  - No report at this time
- k) Funnel Cake, Diane Smith
  - Thank you to all that helped the Whitehall Community Day.
  - We raised \$378.00
  - Next time help is needed will be the TOB
- l) Social, Kathy Barone
  - Thank you to all that came early
  - Thank you to all that brought food
- m) Patron Clothing, Cindy Hollis
  - Items are here to purchase
- n) Drum Corps International (DCI), Kate Tkach (Jack Reporting)
  - In the process of contacting DCI to let them know that we would like them to return
  - The 2010 schedule will be available soon
- o) Concession Stand, John Tkach (Kate reporting)
  - Still need volunteers for the concession stand for the TOB competition
  - There will be a request for Haluski and Chili
  - The concession stand will close when our band plays
- p) River City Brass Band
  - We use some of our kids to be the ushers

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- 5 students will be needed every time

### 5.) Vice President, Alan Bickerton

- There are 13 bands attending our TOB competition, this includes WVU
- We will be able to get the field at 5pm. Alan will ask if we can start to set up at 2pm
- Gary and Alan will discuss the schedule. Possible start time will be 6pm, should get done by 11pm
- More help is needed, some of the spots are bake sale/50:50/Candy and Air Grams/parkers/helpers to feed WVU and to greet the Band directors/runners are needed
- Alan is completing the program
- Have to come up with parking ideas to house all the busses.
- Donations for the bake sale are needed
- Alternative parking/shuttle service will be discussed with the school district
- At our competition, the air grams will be a priority to the senior students, if there are too many, the underclassmen by not be read
- Greg Dorsey will be the announcer

### 6.) Music Director, Gary McKeever

- Gary was instructing the students

### 7.) Administrators Report, Dr. Wilkinson

- Absent, no report

### 8.) Open Floor Discussion

- Nothing

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Bommer, Secretary  
Baldwin Highlander Music Patrons

**Next Patron's Meeting**

**Date: October 20, 2009**

**Time: 7:30 pm**

**Location: North Cafeteria, Baldwin High School**