

**Souderton Area High School
Big Red Band Boosters
General Membership Meeting Minutes
October 1, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm in the band room.

President's Report (Deanna Wimmenauer): Student representation at tonight's meeting: Courtney Zettlemoyer, Jessica Wimmenauer, Bella Maldonado and Miranda Razzi.

- October meeting minutes were reviewed by attendees and approved as written.
- Volunteer forms- The board decided to check clearances and discovered that some were expired, others weren't in the system and/or disclosure forms were not completed.
- New Calendar items- Dominos fundraiser is every Wednesday in October except for the 31st. The Lansdale Mardi Gras parade is not listed on the meeting agenda. It is scheduled for Saturday, November 17th. The parade begins at 1:00PM. October 25th is the last day to register for the 5K at the \$25 rate and be guaranteed a long sleeve t-shirt.
- 8th grade visitation- Friday, October 5th. The students will be playing stand tunes with the band and will each receive a red "I'm With the Band" t-shirt.
- Tour shirts were distributed- Deanna will send out an email for more orders. When washing the shirt for the first time be sure to wash with dark colors.

1st Vice President's Report (Kelly Taylor): Fundraising meeting was held on Wednesday 9/26 to review/update the status of each committee. A BINGO event will be planned for 3/31/18. We are awaiting approval of the date. The second choice date is 3/24/18.

2nd Vice President's Report (Denise Nase): Maddy and Denise took food donations to Keystone Opportunity Center and they were thrilled! We beat our goal of 330lbs and brought 337lbs.

Secretary's Report (Julie Zettlemoyer): Julie reminded everyone to please make sure they sign in before leaving the meeting.

Treasurer's Report (Jen Maldonado): The budget information is a draft for the month of September due to the month just ending yesterday. A lot of contributions were received. Harleysville Jaycee's gave us \$2500 for parking at the Harleysville Fair in May 2018.

Director At Large (Clarke Goshow): Volunteer status has been good. Keep checking CHARMS for updates/openings. When people can't make it they email Clarke and he will make the changes in CHARMS. Openings occasionally do pop up.

Director's report (Rick Freda): Saturday's show was excellent! They changed some things today at practice and the show is looking wonderful!

Committee Reports

Band Store Report (Jenn Miller): Jenn has sample jackets here at the meeting. She will also be here Friday night 10/5/18 at dinner for anyone who wants to try them on for size before ordering.

Concessions- Denise is looking for someone to replace her for next year. She is willing to stay on and help with the transition. For Friday, we just learned that North Penn's band is not coming. She requested that we only have 2 bakers for Friday night since there are items in the freezer that need to be used.

Fundraising Committee (Kelly Taylor):

- **5K** - Julie announced that Saturday 9/29/18 was the last day for anyone who was interested in being a sponsor for the 5K. We currently have \$2200 in cash sponsorships and \$500 in donated goods (photo booth) from SNAP. We have a few more sponsorships pending and hope to have the numbers by the end of the week. We still have room for anyone interested in being a vendor. It's \$15 plus a donation for our raffle. Tables must be reserved and paid for by Friday, November 11th. Contact Jill Basile at racedirector@soudertonbigred.org if you have any questions. Please share the 5K event on Facebook. We need more runners/walkers!!! The next 5K committee meeting is 10/10/18 at 7pm at Hennings. A question was asked as to how we advertise. In addition to social media, email, Pretzel City Sports blast to all registered runners a suggestion was made to look into the Ad Manager through Facebook. The add manager was suggested which can target certain populations within a certain radius of our area. Marianna will look into it for us.

- **Restaurant Nights** - Margarita's Day was a HUGE success! We made \$872.77!!! We beat last year's profit. October will be Wednesday Dominos nights! Instead of doing it throughout the course of the year when we didn't have a great turnout we will just be doing Wednesdays in October. A contest will be held for the class (grades 9-12) who sells the most throughout the month. Chick-fil-A fundraiser is scheduled for 11/6/18.

- **Wreath Sale** - Pollie is in her third year of selling the wreaths. Tracey Bean reworked the wreath sale forms. Pollie and Courtney presented a skit on how to share the sale with the band students. Natalie Manalansan and Courtney Zettlemoyer will perform the skit for the marching band students on Friday 10/5/18. Orders are due Friday, November 2nd and can be turned into the Red Box. Wreath pick up is Nov 21st at the Rodrique house. The address and additional details are listed on the forms and will be distributed October 5th. Students will receive credit for each wreath sold. The money goes directly to your child's student credit account. That money can be used to pay for band requirements throughout the season.

- **Bingo** - Kelly has submitted a request to hold the BINGO event on 3/31 with 3/24 being the second date of choice. We will be looking to create a committee to help pull it all together.

- **SCRIP** - Marianna sent an email out today explaining how the SCRIP program works, when orders are due and when/how she plans to distribute the gift cards. Deanna suggested that they have a meeting to discuss what to do for families who want to continue to use SCRIP but are no longer with the band. It was suggested that Sam Esquirell be contacted to help with details.

Senior Night: Senior night is scheduled for next Friday night October 12th. We have 14 seniors. Jordan Prichard won the cover contest! Julie Zettlemoyer will create the forms for seniors to complete with their requested information and Courtney will hand out/collect them at the band dinner this coming Friday night.

Uniforms Committee (Tracey Bean): The new bag for plumes worked great. Raincoat #77 size large is missing. Please look around for it.

Quartermaster Report (George Priller): George shared that they are caught up on maintenance. He got the maintenance record for mule. It has not been serviced in 2 years.

George will take care of it after the season. The platform broke in the same spot and the Jarvis wheels are showing signs of metal fatigue. This is another job for the welder to take care of. George will like to put all notes into a Google Docs form as opposed to writing it on paper. Deanna will send an email out to the large group to ask for a some help and a replacement for the Quartermaster position as per George's request.

Website/CHARMS (Tracey Bean, Marianna Clark, Steve Basile, Amy McCouch): Regarding the BRBB info list, it has been discovered that there are some over zealous spam filters that can snag messages. As a result some people are not receiving all emails.

- Amy shared that the volunteer reminder messages are now working in CHARMS.

Student Presentations:

- Jessica Wimmenauer (Jazz/Lab Band folders)- Jess is a member of the Lab Band. The students in the Jazz Bands are given original copies of the music. These original sheets of music are larger than the copies that the students usually receive. Jess requested that the BRBB purchase nice/more formal looking folders for the Lab Band. The Jazz Band currently has the nice folders but the Lab Band has been using old hand-me-down folders for the last 7 years. They are getting pretty beat up. A request was made for the BRBB to purchase new folders for the Lab Band. The folders are \$12.95 each. The Executive Committee will meet to discuss before a final decision is made.

- Miranda Razzi (Arrowhead ads)- Miranda, a member of the marching band is also a staff writer for the Arrowhead, the school's newspaper. She shared that the Arrowhead does not receive any funding from the school or district. They rely solely on ads purchased from local organizations. Miranda asked the BRBB if they would be interested in advertising in the Arrowhead. There 4 different ad sizes available: business card size (\$35/issue, \$175/6 issues), quarter page ad (\$85/issue, \$425/6 issues), half page ad (\$135/issue, \$675/6 issues), and full page ad (\$175/issue, \$875/6 issues). The Arrowhead is produced 6 times a year. 3000 copies are printed for every issue. They are dispersed amongst the whole school and within the district. Some possible ideas for advertisements from the BRBB could include restaurant nights, 5K event, BINGO night, etc. The first issue is set to go out on 10/27. Ads must be purchased by 10/8. They Arrowhead committee will create the ad if needed. The BRBB just needs to supply the information to be included. The remaining ad due dates are: Issue 2 ads due by 11/28 and Issue 3 ads due by 1/9/19. Second semester due dates will be released at a later time. The Executive committee will meet to discuss before a final decision is made.

Additional questions-

- Lisa Plato asked if Chaperone bags could be watched. They have been raided by students for ice packs, band aids, etc. during practices. Stephanie Cross said that she just checked them before the football game last week but will keep an eye on them.

- Stacey asked about the football and cheer banners that hang at the football games with all of the seniors pictured from each group. Deanna said that she received an email from Tommy Meehan who takes the pictures and creates the banners over the summer. However, it went to her spam. She opted out of being included in the banners because the pictures were being taken the 2nd week of band camp and the students had not yet received their uniforms. Mr. Freda shared that the football program has a picture of our seniors and bios of each senior. That info was due in April. Mr. Freda sent emails out to all current seniors last year.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:13 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Zettlemyer