

**Souderton Area High School - Big Red Band Boosters**  
**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**October 7, 2019**

**The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm in the band room.**

A motion to approve the minutes from the September 9, 2019 General Assembly meeting was made by Tracey Bean. It was seconded by Kelly Taylor. A vote was cast and the minutes were approved.

It was discussed that there is a possibility that a draft of the minutes from each meeting will be posted for review before they are approved at each meeting. This is still under consideration.

**Director's Report** ( Mr. Straka ): Mr. Straka has taken over the role of Director during Mr. Freda's leave of absence. Please email Mr. Straka with concerns, if your child needs to miss a practice, etc.

October 19, 2019 is US Bands Championships at West Chester University. The band will perform between 5:30-6:30. Awards are at 9:00 pm.

November 9, 2019 is Cavalcade Championships also at West Chester. More details will be posted when they become available.

October 30, 2019 is Halloween Practice for the band. The band is encouraged to attend in costume.

October 26, 2019 is the 5K. There will not be a practice held that day.

Mr. Straka requested an updated roster with all information for each student.

DC Trip: the information has been transferred to him. He is working on getting more specific details as we get closer.

Mr. Straka opened up the meeting to general questions.

Q. What time will practices end? The kids seem to be getting out earlier.

A. The band should be done by 5:30 so they can be out of the building by 5:45

Q. Charms access for when band is expected to return from an event.

A. The CHARMS team is working on giving access to the staff

Q. What are the missions and goals for competing ?

A. Score improvement. Good feedback. Growth as musicians and performers. Children should be ambassadors of the school and represent it well.

**Mattress Sale discussion** ( Bobbi Hartlove-Fronczek ) November 16, 2019 10:00 am-5:00 pm at Mattress Warehouse in Harleysville. The band will receive 16% of the sales that day. The band is expected to "staff" the event between 10-5. Sign ups for students and adults will be in CHARMS. Each shift is approximately 2 hours. Some kids will be outside waving signs and others will be inside the store. Snacks will be provided for volunteers.

There is a 41 bed challenge where the band has an opportunity to raise 25% of the total sales.

They have price match. Free delivery will be given for sales that day. 0% financing will be available for qualified applicants. Sales can be processed online. There will be a code available for those who want to purchase online. Purchases are not restricted to mattresses only. Accessories count as well. Funds raised will be taken off the total cost of the trip so all participants can benefit.

**President's Report (Jennifer Clemente):** Student representation at tonight's meeting; Sarah E.

- Problem with volunteerism. Too many open spots for events. Please consider giving your time.
- Tickets for the US Bands Championship will be available at the discounted rate of \$20. We have 100 tickets available. Jennifer will be available during practice the week of Champs. Once the tickets are sold, they can still be purchased at the "door" for \$25. Cash or checks to "BRBB".
- Tour shirts are ordered and Jennifer hopes to have them by Champs on the 19th.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President's Report (Kelly Taylor):** Kelly promoted the videos that the kids made to advertise the Mattress Sale. Please go on Facebook and vote for your favorite.

- The 5k is October 26,2019. T-shirts can be purchased for \$15. Runners are needed. Please share the 5k page on Facebook. It is now "shareable".

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President's Report (Denise Nase):** Denise thanked volunteers who have helped in the concession stand, especially during our busier games.

She is still looking for a shadow to take over for next season. Joanna Sigafos has volunteered to consider it.

**Secretary's Report (Becky Eells):** Nothing to report

**Treasurer's Report (Michelle Martin):** Nothing to report

**Director At Large (Clarke Goshow):** We need volunteers. The trucks need drivers so the students can have their instruments. Please check CHARMS before each event,. We may need last minute help.

### **Committee Reports**

**Fundraising Committee (Kelly Taylor):**

- **Band Store Report (Jenn Miller):** Jacket orders are open until October20,2019. There will be a new Spirit Wear Sale in November.
- 5K Meeting - Covered during 1st Vp report

SCRIP- nothing to report

- Wreath Sale: The sale started Oct 4 and will end Nov 8, 2019. Pick up will be Nov 27, 2019 4-8 pm at Pollie's house.

**Uniforms Committee (Tracey Bean):** The uniforms are starting to show some "wear and tear". If a uniform needs mending, please report it to Tracey. This is our 9th year with these uniforms. Consider starting the process to get new uniforms added to the District's budget as this can take some time. Raincoats need to be taken home and not left in the band room.

**Quartermaster Report (Joe Longazel):** The Drum Major stand has had its wheels replaced. Props are still being built.

**Website/CHARMS (Tracey Bean, Marianna Clark, Steve Basile, Amy McCouch):** nothing to report

**Additional Items:**

- The next payment for the DC Trip is due November 15,2019.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:29 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Eells

BRBB Secretary