

**Souderton Area High School - Big Red Band Boosters**

**General Membership Meeting Minutes**

**December 9,2019**

**The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm in the band room.**

A motion to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2019 General Assembly meeting was made by Denise Nase. It was seconded by Michelle Martin. A vote was cast and the minutes were approved.

**Director's Report (Mr. Straka):** Lisa Platow gave the Director report in the absence of Mr.Straka and Mr. Wilson. The sale of the mirrors has fallen through. The shipping cost was too high. Indoor season has officially begun.

**President's Report (Jennifer Clemente):** Student representation at tonight's meeting; Tamalie S. Jennifer thanked everyone for being there since the meeting had to be rescheduled due to weather. The January meeting will be mandatory for indoor and outdoor parents. Meetings are for all parents in the organizations that the Boosters support; Marching Band, Indoor, Jazz band, Lab Band and Concert Band. This is the last week for scrip for the holiday season. The order will be placed on Monday, December 15. Senior Parent committee openings are in need of shadows. This can be done in tandem and does not have to be done by one person. Jennifer is looking into whether or not people can still register for the DC Trip. The next payment for the trip is due February 15,2020. Band Members can use their student credit to offset the cost of the trip. The request form needs to be completed and given to Michelle. Michelle then cuts a check directly to the tour company for the payment.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President's Report (Kelly Taylor):** Kelly reported that the final profit from the Mattress sale was \$3,629.56.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President's Report (Denise Nase):** Denise would like a shadow for the concession stand. Our income for concessions is \$9,700. This season we made \$2,700 over budget. This is a very vital part of our budget/income.

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

**Treasurer's Report (Michelle Martin):** The concession stand made \$9730, which was \$2700 over budget. Parking for the Harleysville Fair brought in \$500 over budget.

**Director At Large (Clarke Goshow):** Concerns about volunteerism were discussed. 13 families were represented at the meeting. Volunteerism is down overall. We do not have many new people volunteering. Concerns about future volunteerism to keep program going. Jennifer would like to know why people aren't volunteering. We have a \$50,000 budget to support. The BRBB is used to support the program and as it grows and we get accolades, such as the DC Parade, we need volunteers to sustain the program. The BRBB makes a difference to the success of the program. If you know of a family that does not attend the meetings, invite them to attend. Pollie Rodrique shared that she became involved because she was personally asked to do so. If you have someone in mind for a specific role, ask them. If they turn that role down, ask them to take on a different one. It was discussed about bringing the paper volunteer boards back to the August Parent Meeting. That will be discussed closer to the meeting. Each family is required to volunteer for 4 things through the Fall/Spring season and attend at least 3 meetings.

It was discussed if volunteerism should be tracked in the future. 83 families have approximately 5.8 opportunities to volunteer in the outdoor season alone. The EC will discuss if the required 4 is too low and if it should be raised and how to create accountability. We would like to expand the volunteers to include the other groups that the BRBB supports. It will be researched if students can use band volunteerism toward their NHS hours.

### **Committee Reports**

**Heather Fisher:** Parade uniforms for the Guard have been ordered.

**Fundraising Committee (Kelly Taylor):** Bingo is 3/29/20. Volunteers will be needed. A letter and email are forthcoming.

Lisa Platow has a fundraising suggestion of a Freddy Hill fundraiser. The committee will look into this.

Volunteers are needed for the Jazz Show 3/20/20.

**Band Store Report (Jenn Miller):** The November spirit wear order is in

**Restuarant Nights:** Nothing to report

**5K:** Nothing to report

**SCRIP-** Already reported

**Wreath Sale:** This year's sale was successful. This was the largest sale so far. Thank you to the Cross family who helped pick up the wreaths at the farm. Student wreath credit is under discussion due the increase cost v. what was budgeted. Total was \$3,484.50, with a \$5.75 profit per wreath. Pollie reports the successor may not be able to take the job.

**Uniforms Committee (Tracey Bean):** Uniforms will need to be cleaned before the DC trip. Consider doing that now. Please remove the ribbon and the collar liner before taking it to the cleaners. There are a few pants that can be machine washed.

**Quartermaster Report (Joe Longazel):** There are some repairs that need to be made on instruments and props for the Indoor season. Nothing has been started yet.

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

Meeting Adjourned at 7:54 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Eells, BRBB Secretary