

Cavalcade of Bands, Inc.

General Membership Meeting

December 6, 2010

Unionville HS, 7:00 P.M.

Attendance: Unionville, Pottsgrove, Kennett, Hempfield, Ephrata, Columbia, Lebanon Catholic, Manheim Township, Conrad Weiser, Trinity, Josh Decker (Millersville University), Mitch Adams, Paul Smith, Ed Stimson (St. Aloysious), Bill Powers, John Riley.

The president called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

Vice President's Report:

The vice president wishes to extend a huge thank you to all who were involved with the Hall of Fame induction process. Nominations for the 2011 Hall of Fame members is now in the works.

A reminder was given about the CBA scholarships for students who attend West Chester University and participate in the marching band. Millersville University is also trying to establish this same program for their marching band.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer reviewed the championship budget report for 2010. Figures for the 2008 and 2009 championships were also given for comparison to detail where sales were up or down in various areas. In total income we made more money this year vs. the last two seasons. Not all income has come in at this time nor have all the expenses been paid.

The treasurer is going to propose for the new budget that the line item expense for the championship rebate be included into the expenses of the championship report as opposed to having a line item on our overall budget statement.

We are looking to start the month of February with no credit card balances.

The president asked what the recommendation would be from the treasurer for the championship rebate percentage. Due to an error in announcement of minimum amounts that must be sold on championship tickets to receive a rebate, this year it is expected that more bands will reach the minimum for a rebate. The board intends to honor the announcement unless the membership votes otherwise. The policy that the rebate must

be requested by March 1 of the current school year in order to be received is still in effect.

In order to accommodate this issue a motion to suspend the minimum ticket sale amounts indicated in the by-laws was made by Bill Powers, 2nd by Conrad Weiser. The motion passed. As such, the old minimums will be used for this year at the rate of 10% for the rebate.

A motion to approve the report was made by Josh Decker, 2nd by Ephrata. Motion passed.

Secretary's Report:

The membership reviewed the minutes from the May 3, 2010 general membership meeting.

A motion to approve the report was made by Ed Stimson, 2nd by Manheim Township. Motion passed.

Administrative Reports:

Time was given for the membership to review the written administrative reports.

The judging, education, and communications coordinators gave comments regarding their reports and their views on the past marching band season. One concern that will be addressed in the next clinic is technical issues regarding the operation of our digital recorders. Options for sharing digital recording files were shared amongst the group.

The executive director added a final comment that the administrators who are in their current positions did a great job at preventing and solving problems throughout the season. He is going to work on a new brochure for Cavalcade, a new corporate sponsor packet, a new show host manual, and new website pages for our indoor component.

The president extended his thanks and congratulations to our administrators and coordinators for their efforts and the improvements that have been made to our organization because of their involvement.

He also commented on the indoor report to remind the membership of the annual Cavalcade Indoor Clinic/Evaluation show. Also, the schedule for indoor is up on the website and open for groups to sign up for show.

A motion to approve the administrative reports was made by Josh Decker, 2nd by Pottsgrove. Motion passed.

Old Business:

There was no old business to discuss.

New Business:

Marching Band Director of the Year:

A nomination was made for Jim Sterner from Littlestown.

A nomination was made for Dave Tobias from Oakcrest.

A nomination was made for Adam Burdett from Pittston.

Executive Board nominations-

This year in the spring there will be elections for the officer positions vice president, treasurer, and marching band liaison.

The coordinator positions that will be elected this year are the administrative and communications coordinator, and the marching band administrator. Because these positions should have been voted on in the December meeting an online voting system will be set up and all members will receive information on the candidates. They will then have the opportunity to vote on those applicants.

Updates on the indoor and jazz seasons were given.

A motion to adjourn was made by Josh Decker, 2nd by Pottsgrove. Motion passed.

RULES CONGRESS TO FOLLOW!

Respectfully submitted,

Josh Decker
Secretary, CBA, Inc.

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General Membership Meeting

May 2, 2011

Pottsgrove HS, 7:00 P.M.

Attendance: Unionville, Pittston, Pottsgrove, Red Lion, Methacton, Southwest, Ephrata, Trinity, Josh Decker (Millersville University), Mitch Adams, Paul Smith, Ed Stimson (St. Aloysious).

The president called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

Minutes from the December meeting were reviewed. Motion to pass from Pottsgrove, 2nd by Red Lion. Motion passed.

Treasurer report:

The treasurer presented the most current budget for the fiscal year. Line items that were over budget were explained. It is important to note that all three credit cards are now paid off.

Motion to approve the report by Pittston, 2nd by Josh Decker. Motion passed.

Vice President's Report:

We have several applications for our annual scholarship awards. Adam will be searching out a committee to review and award the scholarships.

We currently have two nominations for the Hall of Fame nominations for the coming year. They are Ken Husler and Rebe Jones-Williams.

A question was asked about how many scholarships are awarded. The answer is three.

Jazz Administrator Report:

This year we held the first New Jersey Regional Championship. It was hosted by Millville, HS.

Championships this year was broken down into four divisions rather than three. There were a total of 38 competing bands and 2 exhibitions this year. It was hosted at two sites in order to accommodate most bands with having an evening performance time. There is

a meeting on May 24th at West Chester East HS for the jazz band directors to discuss rule changes. The meeting will begin 7:00 P.M.

Judging Coordinator's Report:

It was noted that we need more units and color guard judges for our indoor season. He will be working with the liaison and executive director to work on this item. There is a clinic this Saturday at Twin Valley High School for directors and staffs. The agenda is not yet finalized. There are also four clinic days for judges:

Saturday, August 20- Pottsgrove

Saturday, August 27- Delsea Regional

Saturday, September 10- Both at New Oxford and Wissahickon HS

On the 10th the judges will also be able to practice trialing if they wish. It is expected that every judge will attend at least one clinic.

The president asked the JC about the difference between last year's indoor season and this year's indoor season. The coordinator offered his opinion.

The executive director reviewed the administrative reports with the group. He also reviewed his current activities to support the circuit.

Motion to accept the reports by Josh Decker, 2nd by Pottsgrove.

Old Business:

Elections:

- A. The board recommends to the membership to elect are: Vice President- Adam Burdett, Treasurer- Victor Holladay, Indoor Coordinator- Debbie Yaniga, Administrative Coordinator- Joe Santoro, and Marching Band Administrator- Bill Powers.

Motion to approve the board recommendations by Unionville, 2nd by Red Lion. Motion passed.

Congratulations to those elected/re-elected.

New Business:

The proposed budget was introduced. The most notable change is to introduce a visual and a music caption head to assist Paul.

A few minor alterations were mentioned and the treasurer will make those connections.

Motion to approve by Josh Decker, 2nd by Pittston. Motion passed.

Announcements:

The president discussed a conversation he had with the director of Jersey Surf. They are looking for more horn players and asked us to spread the word through our organization.

He also mentioned that the band director at Avon Grove HS is not returning and will need a director.

There is a possibly of a Cavalcade sponsored mass band trip for 2014 to the Rose Bowl. Details to come! There will be a cut-off limit of 400 students.

On Saturday May 7th, in conjunction with the clinic at Twin Valley; Twin Valley HS in partnership with the Reading Buccaneers will present their annual spring preview show beginning at 7 PM. It will feature several alumni corps, including the Reading Buccaneers Alumni Association and it will feature the 10 ten (6 time undefeated defending DCA World Champion) Reading Buccaneers as they present their 2011 program: Dance.

The Rules Congress will follow the regular meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Pittston, 2nd by Josh Decker. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Josh Decker
Secretary, CBA, Inc.