

Cavalcade of Bands, Inc.
General Membership Meeting
December, 5 2011
7:00 P.M.
Unionville HS

The president called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Attendance: Unionville, A. Burdett, J. Decker, Pottsgrove, B. Powers, M. Adams, P. Smith, E. Stimson (St. Helena), Rustin, Lancaster Catholic, Egg Harbor Twp., Warwick, Kennett, Haverford, Manheim Twp., Columbia, Winslow Twp. , Boyertown, Methacton, Hempfield, and Downingtown West HS.

Brief announcements were given by the president.

The secretary's minutes from the May 2011 general meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept by Boyertown, 2nd by Haverford. Motion passed.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed, including the general budget and championship budgets. This included an explanation of expenses vs. income. The account balances were reviewed for the members. A clarification was given on the money market, which is interest-bearing vs. the checking account which is not interest-bearing.

A question of the profitability of 2 sites vs. one site was raised. An explanation on the give and takes of the situation was explained.

A question was raised as to whether or not we should take out an insurance policy on championship weekend based on weather concerns.

The president explained that until we get our numbers finalized we will be able to set the championship rebate. Members will be notified of their rebate possibilities. Members will have until March 1, 2012 to request their check from the treasurer. However, members may choose to let the rebate stay with the organization. If no request was made, then the money will stay with Cavalcade.

Motion to pass by Haverford, 2nd by Egg Harbor. Motion passed.

Vice President's report:

The vice president gave a report on the Cavalcade of Bands, Inc. scholarship as well as the current situation with the Hall of Fame. Bill Powers was also thanked for his work on the new Hall of Fame lapel pin.

Items from the president:

Marching Band Director of the Year:

Motion from Josh Decker to nominate Tony Perez from Hatboro Horsham HS. 2nd by Egg Harbor.

Motion from Scott Litzenberg to nominate Tim Pry from Sun Valley HS. 2nd by Pottsgrove.

A vote will be tabled until later in the meeting.

The president recapped a report on the visit he and the executive director paid to the NY Field Band Championships.

The president thanked all of the administrators and coordinators for the work they do to keep the circuit running smoothly.

The executive director gave his report on the past season.

Motion to accept the report by Methacton, 2nd by Haverford. Motion passed.

Ed Stimson gave a report on the current indoor jazz season.

Mike Shoremount gave a report on the CIA season to date.

New Business:

The president brought up the desire to open a discussion on the need to move to 2 championship sites this year.

The judging coordinator noted that staffing show was fine. The press box at MU was just a little small in comparison. A concern was raised about the possibility of what kind of proximity the judges will have to the audience.

Indoor Clinic – Looking into the possibility of a corporate sponsor for a percussion clinic. More info coming.

Competition Suite – looking into technology for this coming fall. Competition Suite is a “cloud” based program that can download judges files and scores to phone, iPad, etc.

The president mentioned that the following positions are up for election this year:

Board: President, Secretary, CIA Liaison, Jazz Liaison.

Coordinator positions: executive director, judging coordinator, cia administrator, jazz administrator, education coordinator.

Votes on Director of the Year:

We have a tie! Congratulations to both Tony Perez and Tim Pry!

Motion to adjourn by J. Decker, 2nd Methacton. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by,

Josh Decker
Secretary, Cavalcade of Bands, Inc.

Cavalcade of Bands, Inc.

General Membership Meeting
May 7, 2012
Unionville HS, 6:30 P.M.

Attendance: Unionville, Pottsgrove, Ephrata, Columbia, Lancaster Catholic, Methacton, Pittston, Crestwood, Egg Harbor Township, Phoenixville, Haverford, Josh Decker, Paul Smith, Bill Powers, Ed Stimson, and Mitch Adams.

The president called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M.

The minutes from the December 2011 general meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept the minutes by Pittston, 2nd by Lancaster Catholic. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer gave an overview on where the budget stood. We are currently at our strongest financial condition to date.

Motion to accept the report by Josh Decker, 2nd by Methacton. Motion passed.

The proposed 2012-2013 budget was reviewed.

A question was asked in regards to the increase of the line item for judges' mileage. Paul Smith explained the rationale behind the changes.

Insurance will also be raised to allow us to purchase insurance that will protect us should any of our championship shows be cancelled. Several of the administrative stipends were also raised as they have not been raised in over five years.

Our budget also plans for a level of corporate sponsorship revenue of \$2,500.00.

Motion to accept the proposed budget by Methacton, 2nd by Josh Decker. Motion passed.

Vice President's Report:

There were no nominations for the Hall of Fame this year.

An update was given on the Cavalcade scholarships to West Chester. There are four candidates and three of them will receive an award.

President's Report:

Cavalcade is looking to partner with DCI. There will be no cost to our organization outside of purchasing some banners to hang up at their events.

The Director of the Year award presentations are being planned.

Competition Suite information and discussion. The president introduced a new cloud system program for use with judges' recordings and tabulations. Directors can manage the distribution of information for their staff. This would make it available to all staff should a director choose. All information would be accessible through a smart phone either through a website or by calling into a phone number to retrieve the information much like listening to a voicemail.

The board is willing to commit to purchasing equipment to generate internet hotspots to ensure that internet access is available at all of our shows.

A demonstration on how the program works from an organizational standpoint was given.

Questions were taken and answered on how the program works. There will be a nominal fee for each marching and indoor group (not jazz) to facilitate the use of this program.

The executive director reviewed the administrative reports.

Comments were given by the communications and judging coordinators.

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

Old Business:

The president reviewed the changes in our video contract. We will now be using Mr. Video. We released Box 5 due to the issues surrounding our DVD's this past season.

New Business:

The president highlighted the board recommendations for administrative/board positions. The board recommends:

President- Scott Litzenberg
Secretary- Scott Siegel
Indoor Liaison- Mike Shoremount
Jazz Liaison- Joe Henderson

Executive Director- Mitch Adams
Judging Coordinator- Paul Smith
Indoor Administrator- Debbie Yaniga
Jazz Administrators- Ed Stimson, Jeff Twiford.

Motion to accept by Tony Brill, 2nd by Josh Decker. Motion approved.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Josh Decker
Secretary,
Cavalcade of Bands, Inc.
Final report 😊