

**Ephrata Band Parents Association  
General Membership Meeting Minutes  
March 16, 2010**

President Stephanie Hubach called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion to approve the February 2010 meeting minutes as distributed was made by Jodi Showalter; second, Stacy Land.

**Treasurer's Report:** There was no report this month due to the absence of Randy Goshert.

**Indoor Guard Show Update**

Carolyn Keith reported that it was a fun, positive day—8 groups performed. The committee will be having a follow-up meeting in the next few weeks. There is a projected loss of approximately \$500. We will probably hold another show in February 2011 (possibly the last Saturday of the month).

**Showcase of Bands Update**

The facilities have been approved for Saturday, October 23. The show will begin at 1:00 p.m. There are already 3 bands committed, with invitations currently being sent.

**Band Bucks Day**

Band Bucks day is scheduled for Saturday, October 2. More details to follow.

**Committee Chairperson Update**

We are still in need of a chairperson/committee to coordinate Band Camp during the week of August 2-6, 2010. All the other positions have been filled!

**Officer Elections**

We voted on the 2010-2011 officers and our new officers are as follows:

President: Carolyn Keith

Vice President: Kim Ponchione

Treasurer: Randy Goshert

Secretary: Margie Goshert

**Indoor Guard Floor**

Mrs. Straley brought up a concern with the vinyl floor mat that is currently being used by the colorguard (the current floor is made of old billboards taped together). Mr. Harker is hoping that it makes it through the season (there are 2 more shows & practices), but it does not look promising. In addition to the mat being heavy and cumbersome, it also has holes in it which is a safety concern. Mr. Harker and Mrs. Straley are proposing we purchase a new, light-weight floormat which we would be able to use for several years. Mr. Harker has done some research and has found one for \$943 plus shipping. After some discussion, it was decided that we try to postpone the purchase of a new floor until the current season is over and then have the item budgeted for the 2010-2011 season. For the

interim, Mrs. Straley will look into contacting some billboard companies to see if they have any available. Doug Keith and Steve Moore will pick them up if she is able to find any.

#### **Colorguard Flags & Visual Props**

We will only need to purchase 1 set of flags for this coming year. A grandmother of a guard member will be making some of our flags. Visual props have not been decided on yet for the upcoming show, but Mrs. Straley would like to **not** use the 3 large backdrops that were used in the past.

#### **Show Announcement for 2010-2011**

Mrs. Straley will be announcing the name of the show at the Meeting the Director Night in May.

#### **Fundraising for Upcoming Trips**

Mrs. Straley announced that Cavalcade is sponsoring a trip to Costa Rica from December 9-12, 2010 for the Festival of Lights Parade. This is an All-Star Honor Band and individuals from our marching band can sign up if they wish. There is an approximate cost of \$1,200. There was a discussion on possibly re-starting band trips and how to fundraise for these trips. Could the EBPA offer "scholarships" to members meeting certain criteria or maybe just seniors? Mrs. Straley would like to have a trip in 2011 if possible. She will be bringing up the topic of the Cavalcade trip with the Administration on March 17<sup>th</sup>. She will update us at the next EBPA meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

The next EBPA meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the EHS Band Room.

Sincerely,

Jill Fox  
EBPA Secretary