

Ephrata Band Parents Association General Membership Meeting Minutes January 19, 2009

President Stephanie Hubach called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the November 2009 meeting minutes as distributed was made by Randy Goshert; second, Amy Mackenzie.

Treasurer's Report: Randy Goshert reviewed the Treasurer's Report for the period December 16, 2009 through January 19, 2010. A motion to approve the report was made by Carolyn Keith; second, Margie Goshert.

New Chaperoning Requirements: Eileen Roth reported that chaperones and pit crew will need to have 4 clearances which include Child abuse clearance, criminal record, TB test and FBI fingerprints. This will be a one-time clearance as long as there is no break in volunteer service (volunteering 5 hours/year). We can be reimbursed by the school district for the fees incurred. Forms can be downloaded at www.ehsmu.org.

Band Director Report: Sonia approached the administration about revising the practice schedule for the coming year:

- Administration was receptive and gave permission to add more Saturday practices during September and changing practice times on Tuesdays and Thursdays to 6-8:30 once school begins.
- 1 week of band camp
- Sonia has a show in mind. Will announce at a later date.
- Music will be out by the end of the school year
- Hopes to have music and basics down before band camp week
- Mrs. Straley would like to have parental input regarding Saturday practices. She will compose a proposed schedule (draft) by the March EBPA meeting.
- Staff vacancies will be advertised soon

Indoor Guard Show

Carol Keith reported that there are currently 7 groups (all guard) coming to the February 27th show. The show will begin at 5:00 p.m. at the Ephrata Middle School. Both gyms and the cafeteria are reserved. Volunteers are still needed as well as donations of food items.

Fund Raising (Pizza Sales)

Cathy Putt reported that Gianni forms are due on Friday, January 22 with delivery date of Thursday, February 4 at the Middle School. Middle School students will get 100% of the profits to offset their cost to Hersheypark. Quite a few colorguard are participating in this fundraiser.

Showcase of Bands 2010

Planning for this event is already underway. There is a tentative date of Saturday, October 23, for an afternoon show. We are currently in the process of getting district approval. More information will follow.

Band Bucks Day

Band Bucks Day will be held on Saturday, October 2, 2010.

Nominations

Nominations for EBPA officers will be held at the February 16, 2010 meeting with voting at the March meeting. We are also looking to fill various committee chairperson positions. See Stephanie Hubach or Eileen Roth if you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions.

Please come with ideas for any off-season activities that we can plan in the near future. A hayride or paintball were two suggestions so far.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Sincerely,

Jill Fox
EBPA Secretary