

Pioneer Band Association Meeting
April 22, 2014 Minutes

Present: Marianne Blaesing, Anne Gilbert, Quentin Guzek, Carolynn Hayman, Tom Heed, Amy Higgins, David Leach, Susan Mihans, Steve Mihans, Stacey Pakela, Suzanne Ross, David Schreiber, Nancy Waring

Marianne called the meeting to order at 7:35.

President's Report — Marianne Blaesing

Marianne welcome everyone asked them to introduce themselves. She announced that this is her final meeting. Most of her remarks are in the annual report (attached). She is working on marching awards, wrapping up her term, and transitioning.

Secretary's Report — Anne Gilbert

The minutes from March 11 were reviewed and approved with the following corrections: Suzanne Ross added to attendees, Bandquet date changed from April 29 to May 1, Anna H should read Anna Hayman.

Treasurer's Report — Steve and Sue Mihans

Susan reported that it's been a really busy year. We started off with about \$95K, income this year came to \$167K. Spending was \$36K more than income. This was OK because this was a four year. We still need to pay Michael Daugherty's commission for centennial piece.

We were concerned about baggage fees returning from Europe, and they ended up being much less than expected. Money for Gala keeps trickling in.

Will have next year's budget ready for approval for the next meeting.

Have received about 3 dozen band camp applications, and some scholarship requests.

Vice Presidents' Reports — Amy Higgins & Stacey Pakela

Amy and Stacey wanted to make sure that everyone is aware of how many things that volunteers do. It's a pleasure to work with parents who support Pioneer Bands.

In regards to unfilled roles – have a tentative person to shadow Janice Doyle for Picnic Pops games chair. Still don't have a candidate for recording secretary.

May events include: Bandquet (please sign up), Picnic Pops, Car Wash. Car

Wash is an important event. Please fill out pledge sheets! We usually have a goal of 500 cars. Nancy asked about the theme for the cake competition – Stacy wasn't sure, but should know soon.

Steve asked about volunteers for All Night Senior party – it is a good fundraiser. Amy and Stacy will follow up.

Amy thanked Marianne for her efforts to make sure that everything is recorded and passed on before she moves on.

Directors' Reports —

Nancy Waring, Associate Director of Bands

Have had registration for classes for next year and numbers continue to be strong. Special thanks to Laura Latterner and Ann Nicholas for being tour coordinators.

David A. Leach, Director of Bands

It has been quite a whirlwind. This has been an exceptional year with two tours, centennial concert, etc. Bob Rogers did an amazing job on the symphony band tour. Concert Band is leaving tomorrow for Boston; they have a master class with a member of Boston Symphony, and are going to a Boston Symphony concert.

Have the smallest classes from Slauson and Tappan, but lots of kids from private schools that bring up our numbers. Have more oboes in Pioneer Bands than trombones. Jazz Band is already scheduled to be larger next year.

Centennial concert is at Hill Auditorium on May 29: Michael Daugherty has written a piece, and the third movement is called "Vulcan's Forge". He came and worked with Symphony Band today. Darryl Hurst is scheduled to emcee the program. The order of performances will be the symphony bands from Huron, Pioneer, and Skyline, an intermission, followed by the Community High School jazz ensemble "Superbad" and ending with the Centennial Band (made up of top 3 kids from each symphony band). Attendance will be free.

Thank you for letting our kids be with us.

Elections:

The following slate was proposed and approved:

President: Suzanne Ross

Vice Presidents: Amy Higgins and Stacey Pakela

Treasurers: Susan and Steve Mihans

Secretary: Anne Gilbert (Communications) – Recording Secretary position to be filled

Meet adjourned at 8:14.