

**PIONEER BAND ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
April 12, 2005**

ATTENDANCE: In attendance: David Leach, Nancy Waring, Gail Stout, Daryl Hurst, Denise Johnson, Corinne Nair, Dorothy Dupuy, Yopie Prins, Barbara Goodsitt, Ann Novak, Renae Rosencrans, Karen Fields, John Fields, Eunice Woldt, Pam Lamar, Marj Hyde

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm, PBA President Gail Stout presiding.

Those present at the meeting were introduced.

Minutes from the February PBA meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Meena is in India due to a family illness, but Gail presented the budget. The figures projected for next year are tentative, but the balances presented are accurate.

Presidents Report:

Gail thanked families who helped with Bands in Review. She also thanked Denise for her continued work on renovating the Band Room. She reminded those present of the turn in dates for band uniforms. VARSITY BAND: THURSDAY APRIL 14 (1ST AND 3RD HOURS) CONCERT BAND: THURSDAY APRIL 14 (6TH HOUR) SYMPHONY BAND: WEDNESDAY JUNE 1 (5TH HOUR)

PBA Notes Newsletter: The May-June newsletter will come out the end of April. Call Gail if you have anything to put in the newsletter. Committee chairs that are needed will be listed in the newsletter.

Directors Reports:

Nancy Waring thanked everyone for their attendance and work at **Bands in Review**. Some wind and percussion students have been playing with the Chamber Orchestra 2 times per week. The **Picnic Pops schedule** is to be announced. The performance will require a one hour time commitment. Please allow one half hour to warm up and one half hour to perform.

David Leach: Mr. Leach announced that all is going well with Concert and Symphony bands. Concert is preparing for Picnic Pops. Symphony Band is preparing for the Grammy Concert at Hill. Mike Adolphi's 1st piece for band, which is played at the college level, has been selected. One of Symphony band's selections for Picnic Pops will be the STAR WARS TRILOGY by John Williams / arr. Donald Hunsberger, transcribed for band.

Tour: Auditions will finish in about a week. When they are completed, information about the tours will be passed out. Gas and the exchange rate for the dollar will be rough estimates.

The Band can vote on their choice for next year's tour at the Band Banquet. If Symphony goes to Europe, Concert Band would tour in the US as the AA Band, or top band from Pioneer. The choices for tour are Austria, Russia or the Dixie Classics in Tennessee.

Bands in Review: The event went really well. The Guest conductor, MSU Band Director, praised the bands and sent a very gracious thank you note to Mr. Leach.

Senior Brunch: This event is scheduled for the same day as Picnic Pops, May 22.

Jazz Band : Jazz Band will perform at Multi-cultural day. They will also play at the Grammy concert at Hill Auditorium on May 31 and the Jazz Summit at Huron High on May 25.

Grammy Concert: All the parent organizations from band, choir and orchestra will organize the May 31 concert. Band will take care of publicity. The concert is free. Photos and information for a display are needed for the Hill Auditorium Lobby. A program will be printed up as a donation from one of the band student's parents. It was suggested that a banner commemorating the Grammy be printed up with all of the music students and faculty signatures. If approved, we will set up equipment to record the concert.

Band Festival: Dorothy Dupuy will need a partner to co-chair concessions next year. All the bagels were sold. Fruit sold well and we kept running out of pizza.

Band Banquet May 9: Banquet committee will meet April 18. RSVP date is April 21. Set up is scheduled for 3 PM. Dinner starts at 6:30 and there will be a senior skit.

Band Room Renovation: Denise Johnson reported that the shelves will be built by an alumni member for free. We might organize a "Paint the Band Room Day" during the summer.

Alumni Association/ Centennial Project: Daryl Hurst presented Mr. Leach with an archival picture of the Midwest Band Clinic. Daryl is looking for pictures of our first director, Joe Maddy. He was one of the founders of Interlochen. The Centennial Project will replace the Alumni Association in the projected budget for next year. Alumni member Scott Westerman is helping us put together a new website. We are deciding if the website should be changed from pioneerband.org to aapioneerbands.org. Daryl is looking for helpers in research and data input.

Band Camp: Concert and Symphony Band members are required to attend Band Camp. Varsity Band members are allowed to attend on a 1st come basis for the thirty remaining available spots. Instrumentation is also taken into consideration for admission of Varsity Band students.

Annual Meeting: Gail announced that the Annual report was sent to all band families in the mail. The proposed budget was reviewed. A change was made that the \$500 allotted to the Pioneer Band Alumni Association was now renamed the Centennial Project.

Band Tour is estimated at \$60,000. We have added money for the Band Room Renovation, and postage. The Robert Albritton Fund is now producing its own income.

Those present voted on the budget and passed it. The ballots for PBA officers was voted on and passed unanimously.

The 2005-2006 PBA board will be: President Gail Stout, Vice President Denise Johnson, Treasurer Meena Khankari, and Secretary Karen Smith-Krass.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Goodsitt
Pioneer Band Association Secretary