

PIONEER BAND ASSOCIATION MINUTES

6/9/09

Attendance: David Leach, Daryl Hurst, Nancy Waring, Gloria Wilson, Linda Long, Nina Yamakado, Maureen Lanseur, Bill Maxbauer, Ed Etter, Chuck Shipan, Janine Centurione, Ann Curtis, Steven Sullivan, David Baum, Nair Matsuo, Holli Bertram, Carol Flannagan, Mary Topham, Christine Cook, Robin Hess, Brooks Curtis, Fritz Yunk, and one name the secretary could not read.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. All present introduced him- or herself.

Director's Reports—David Leach gave his report first, because of a family commitment he needed to attend. He reported on year-end wrap-up, and then provided details on the tour. The symphony band is scheduled to tour to China in 2010. The deposit for the trip has already been paid, and students are putting in their commitment forms, due this week. Planning is in the preliminary stage now, but will ramp up during the course of the year. There was a clarification on fundraising with the PTO thrift shop. While the fundraising cannot be earmarked for a particular student, it can go into the Pioneer Band's general fund. The Concert Band tour will be decided this fall. Concert Band will get the same percentage of fundraising dollars as Symphony Band, based on the price of their trip. 200 students are signed up for Marching Band/Band Camp. Symphony Band has two football games which occur before the beginning of the school year. After Mr. Leach left, Nancy Waring reported on her year-end wrap-up.

President's Report: Gloria Wilson thanked everyone for all their work this year, and especially thanked everyone for their work on Picnic Pops this year. Several board positions will need to be filled this year, so David Baum will be calling prospective PBA members. Specifically mentioned were Picnic Pops, Apparel sales, Hydration team, and Senior Class activities organizer.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the meeting held 4/21/09 were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Financial Highlights of the month were handed out and discussed. The letters requesting outstanding dues were also discussed. 45 letters were sent out. 70% of those families paid their dues. Most parents responded positively; some were negative. A member noted the PBA budget trending upward every year and the mentioned the need to be careful during a recession year. If a family cannot pay the member dues out of pocket, there are some volunteer opportunities that can count toward the payment. For example, working at the PTO Thrift Shop raises \$8 per hour for PBA. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Webmaster/Historian's Report: The webmaster position is moving from Daryl Hurst to Steven Sullivan.

Committee Reports:

Band Banquet: Mary Relson, chair. Mary Relson was not in attendance, but the band banquet was a great success, with lots of volunteers. The senior skit was done on-screen, and was great, because it was easy to hear and see.

Picnic Pops: Jodi Johnson, chair. Gloria Wilson reported on behalf of Jodi Johnson that the event was successful, even though attendance was down due to bad weather. The pop ring toss and the cake walk were the most successful events. We lost money on the obstacle course. Pop sales were down because the winners of the ring toss drank their prize instead. Next year, Skyline will be taking care of the food, and Pioneer will continue with the grill and games. NOTE: Enquiring minds would like to know who won the iPod at Picnic Pops this year.

Senior Activities: Sally Brieloff, chair. There was a great turn-out for the senior brunch, which wrapped up events for the school year.

Band Gala: The survey is on-line, asking questions about how next year's Gala should go. There is a 20% response rate so far. Great Harvest cookies are a great incentive for participation.

Upcoming Events:

Band Registration is August 10, 2009.

Band Camp is August 11-17, 2009. For Band Camp Sunday, August 16, 2009, there was a Parent Carpools/Charter Bus survey. Several parents seem interested in a charter bus option. Fifteen-sixteen families expressed interest. Question: how many people are interested per family? This might fill up at least one bus. We need to follow up on how much it would cost to rent the bus, and how much it would cost per person.

Band Picnic is October 3rd, 2009.

Car Wash is scheduled for October 10, 2009. It had to be late this year, because of the UM game schedule.

Fundraising:

www.IsolditAnnArbor.com - This program allows eBay sales to be donated to the band. Take items to drop-off on Eisenhower Pkwy and say it's for Pioneer Band Association.

New Business: None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.