

Pioneer Band Association Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 11, 2012

Present: David Leach, Bill Maxbauer, Jan Maxbauer, David Baum, Bart Polot, Anne Gilbert and Liz Cole.

Meeting called to order at 7:40; all attendees introduced themselves

President's Report – David Baum reporting for Marianne Blaesing

Welcome to all. Thank you to the Bogens for organizing the bowling party. They did a great job.

Secretary's report – Bill and Jan Maxbauer reporting

Minutes from November 13, 2012 meeting were reviewed, and were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's report – David Baum reporting for Susan and Steve Mihans

- November Income and Expenses were reported as were details on the bowling party statistics.
- see attached Treasurer's report

Directors' Reports

Nancy Waring was absent due to the Orchestra Concert:

David Leach:

- December 4th was the MSU Jazz Band and Pioneer Jazz Band concert. MSU had a great time. We fed them well and they loved it. They ran masterclasses with each section. The two groups (MSU and Pioneer JB) sightread Rain Check and then performed it together. We had an increase in audience size this year. David guesses we had 150-200 people. It was a magnificent concert!!
- He and Nancy will be leaving the 19th for the Midwest Clinic in Chicago. This year they are honoring Elizabeth A H Green, founder of the Orchestra program at Pioneer and Conducting icon at University of Michigan. There will be many Ann Arbor and U of M connections. Dan Long, John Whitwell and H. Robert Reynolds will all be making presentations. David will be looking at possible trips for next year's tour.
- On December 9 Jazz Band performed at Cliff Bell's in Detroit. It was a packed house. Sean Dobbins started the collaboration 4-5 years ago. This year big wigs from Detroit Civic came to listen and they now want to come to Ann Arbor to see how we can develop the relationship.
- Rodney Whitaker has suggested that the JB apply for the Essentially Ellington competition. The competition takes place in May in NYC. Jazz Band would need to submit a recording of 3 Ellington charts. Twelve to fifteen groups are invited to attend and 3 are chosen to perform on stage with the Lincoln Center Jazz Society. The cost would be about \$1000 per student. Some students may need help. There will be scholarship requests.
- David and David Baum are working on the contract for Michael Daugherty. That commissioning project is moving along.

- SB has started rehearsing the trumpet concerto and Jean Libs will be in next week to rehearse.
- SB worked with John Whitwell. It was a treat! The kids were great!
- CB is magnificent. They are excited to play Metroplex at Bands in Review.
- The Ann Arbor high school music directors are planning to use the same music citywide for Varsity Band auditions. This is being worked out.
- David Leach had an article published in a travel magazine about his experiences taking the bands on tour.
- The Centennial concert is a citywide event. Jason Smith and Steve Roberts are on board with these plans. David would like to use Hill, but the others are concerned about the expense. Each HS Symphony Band would play in the first half. Then an honors band, made up of the first 3 chairs of each section, would perform the Daugherty piece. Gail Stout is still on board to help with this project.
- JB is playing at the Michigan Music Conference in Grand Rapids on the 19th of January. We will have 3 guest artists, Jack Wagner, Adam Unsworth and Rodney Whitaker.
- THANK YOU for encouraging your kids to participate in the music program!

VP's Report – David Baum reporting

- Thank you to volunteers Raleigh Sadlier, Susan Ross and Anne Gilbert for their work on the cookie dough sale and the coffee sale. Thank you, thank you to all volunteers.

Committee Reports:

Funding - David Baum reporting for Raleigh Sadlier on the coffee sale

- We sold 187 mugs and 235 coffee/tea products. Total items was 422 and profit was \$1524.10. This is a good start.
- The sale is ongoing and Bart has set up a link at the band website. All packages have a QR code for re--ordering.
- We will have 200 mugs on hand to sell at the winter concert. Can we store 200 mugs at Pioneer? Yes, David says he has a closet with space.
- Many thanks to Bart for the website and QR code support and to Anne Gilbert for making the order form and handling the mug order.
- Delivery is Tuesday 12/18. We need 4 volunteers from 12-3 and 2 from 3-5. Pick up ends at 5:00pm. Please save newspapers and paper grocery bags for delivery. The kids will wrap their own mugs to take home.
- Thanks also to Kathy Shipan for helping out and providing her expertise as well as Susan Ross for her help with the cookie and coffee sales.

David Baum reporting for Helen Starman on Gala

- Amy Higgins and Helen Starman have laid the groundwork for Gala. It will be a very different kind of event this year, but hopefully more manageable in the years to come. There will be no auction. It will take place at Zingerman's Roadhouse, a great venue with wonderful food. The focus will be on the kids with performances and the option to make donations to the program. Tickets will be \$45 (we make \$18.00 per ticket). Band students will be competing to win the opportunity to perform at the Gala. Amy Higgins will head this up. It is guaranteed that there will be one group from each of the bands (VB, CB, SB and JB) chosen to perform. Amy will line up judges. The event will last

two hours starting at either 6:30 or 7:00pm on March 13, a Wednesday evening. The fundraising goal is \$25,000. We hope to have 150-160 attendees with an average donation of just over \$100.00. We also hope to collect \$7,000 in sponsorships. We may have a large score of Push On to hang on the wall, filling in notes as we receive donations.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:16pm.

Submitted by Bill and Jan Maxbauer, Co-Secretaries

TREASURER'S REPORT GENERAL MEETING DECEMBER, 2012

Bowling Party

A good time had by all. 111 students signed up and 82 actually showed up. We collected \$320 from the students. Cost to the PBA was \$898.07. The only snafu was that Colonial Lanes forgot to give us our salad which reduced our cost a little. A big thanks to Cynthia Bogen for organizing the party this year. Especially liked the pictures of Barak Obama and Harry Truman with their snazzy bowling shoes on the flyer.

Coffee Sale

(Report by Raleigh Sadlier forwarded to David)

November Income and Expenses

Total Income – \$17,486.50. Highlights include the following:

Contributions – \$757 donations made in lieu of cookies

\$400 donation given by a family of a former
band student to help fund Interlochen Scholarships

Solo and Ensemble Revenue – \$4,066.00

Uniform Revenue – \$171.00 (glove sales)

Otis Spunkmeyer – \$11,904.00 gross revenue

Total Expenses – \$5,634.20. Highlights include the following:

Solo and Ensemble Fees – \$4,074.00

Sectional Instructors – \$625.00

Uniform Cleaning – \$935.20 (concert uniforms and dresses)

As of today, the PBA has \$46,504.39 in savings/checking

\$21,051.66 in CD accounts

\$67,556.05 (TOTAL) in our credit union account