



General Meeting Minutes August 17, 2010

Report of the Secretary: Sue Connelly made the following report:

1. The July 20th General Meeting Minutes were accepted as presented.
2. Incoming Correspondence:
 - a. A Thank You card Megan Tomko was received for receiving scholarship funds for college tuition.
3. Outgoing Correspondence:
 - a. Jack presented an acknowledgement letter to be sent to DCI guests who complained about the parking issues.
4. The next scheduled meeting will be held on September 21, 2010 in the North Cafeteria at 7:30 pm.

Board of Directors Action Items: Jack Andes made the following report:

1. The Board adopted the 2010-2011 budget. Everyone is welcomed to review the budget.
2. Bob highlighted some topics. Expenses are basically the same as last year.
3. The Reserve Funds of \$15,000 is budgeted for a new trailer.
4. The Audit Committee and Bob Smith reconciled the check registrar, bank statements, and deposits and found no discrepancies. One document was missing which was to support cash payment for the TOB judges. Bob received an email from Gary McKeever with information supporting this transaction.

Report of the Treasurer: Bob Smith made the following report:

1. The Treasurer's Report from July 19th through August 14th was presented.

Report of the Vice President: Alan Bickerton made the following report:

1. Sign-up sheets for different areas are available for the TOB Show scheduled for October 9th. Ten bands will be performing.
2. Ads for the TOB Program are due no later than September 10th. Older programs were available for viewing.
3. Students receive 1/2 the ad cost in their student account for ads they sell. No alcoholic or political ads will be permitted.
4. A sign-up sheet is available for anyone wishing to help Diane Smith with funnel cake at Whitehall Community Day scheduled for August 28th.

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Committee Reports:

1. Membership – Joyce Bickerton made the following report:
 - a. Currently there are 105 members with a goal of 200. Members do receive a discount at the end-of-year banquet.
 - b. You must be a member to chaperone and to vote for an officer at the end of the year.

2. Publicity – Mark Despotakis made the following report:
 - a. The web site has pictures, videos, and Notes from the Field
 - b. South Hills Record is coming to band camp on Wednesday, August 18 to do a story on an interim band director.

3. Ways & Means – Dotti Wood made the following report:
 - a. Stromboli and Nicholas Coffee & Tea orders will be due August 31 and pick will be September 14. The cost of the Stromboli is \$3.00 each with \$1.50 towards the student's account. One check for each order is to be made to Baldwin Highlander Music Patrons (BHMS). Checks will be held 10 days before depositing.

4. Hoagies – Amy Bower made the following report:
 - a. The first sale is scheduled for September 18 with orders due September 1. The minimum to order is 10. Forms will be printed on the Bugle and web site.
 - b. A parent must be present on the day of making the hoagies which takes place from 7:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.
 - c. There are seven sales scheduled. Jack will send out reminders as to when hoagie sales are due.
 - d. Any extra ingredients at the end of the sale are bagged separately for anyone wishing to purchase.
 - e. Jack stated that band directories have been distributed which shows the fundraising schedule. The band directory is to be used as a source for contact information for band purposes only.

5. Logistics and Props – Jack spoke on behalf of John Smith.
 - a. Need volunteers to help set up for Whitehall Community Day and football games.
 - b. The white trailer's floor has been painted. The grey trailer will be next.
 - c. Beach balls will be used as props for the shows.

6. Chaperone – Holli Smith made the following report:
 - a. One or two more chaperones will be needed for the Kennywood trip. Kennywood tickets are limited. If you have a ticket and are a member, you are permitted to take the school bus with the students. You are not permitted to bring other children on the bus. Check with Holli to make sure she has your clearance. Directions on how to obtain clearances can be found on the web site.
 - b. Chaperones are needed for football games and competitions.

7. Senior Recognition – Kathy Pietras made the following report:
 - a. Senior Recognition is scheduled for October 22nd in the South Cafeteria; volunteers are needed.
 - b. A meeting will be scheduled once the committee is established.

8. Uniform – Char Andes made the following report:
 - a. Char thanked everyone for helping out with the cleaning of the helmets and seat covers.
 - b. All uniforms have been fitted, and stock has been separated out. Thanks to Barb Buchanan for uniform alterations.
 - c. Band pictures have been taken.

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- d. Show tea shirts for Kennywood will be distributed to students on Friday, August 20. Students are not permitted to alter the shirts. Shirts are to be worn at all times while at Kennywood until they change into their summer uniform for the parade.
 - e. Summer uniforms consist of khaki shorts, white polo shirt, short black socks, black belt, and black shoes. Anyone wishing to buy to socks is to see Char. No jewelry is permitted. The band director will determine if friendship bracelets are permitted.
 - f. The summer uniforms should be placed in a bag with their name on it the day of Kennywood.
 - g. Char thanked the Uniform Committee for helping out with uniform fitting.
 - h. September 3 is the first football game. Char reminded parents to make sure that shoes are polished and for students to wear their generic band tee shirt.
9. Banquet – Renee Meyer made the following report:
- a. The banquet is scheduled for May 16 at the Georgetown Centre. The contract will be mailed.
10. Scholarship – Luci Marze had nothing to report.
11. Funnel cake – John Smith spoke on behalf of Diane Smith who was absent and made the following report:
- a. John thanked everyone who helped with the funnel cake at the DCI show.
 - b. Volunteers will be needed beginning at 11:00 a.m. for Whitehall Community Day.
12. Social – Gretchen Crane thanked everyone for helping at the pool party and anyone who contributed food.
13. Patron Clothing – Melissa Satini had items for sale. New clothing has been ordered.
14. DCI – Jack spoke on behalf of Kate Tkach who had nothing to report.
15. Concession Stand – Jack spoke on behalf of Jeff Wood who was absent.
- a. Volunteers will be needed for TOB which will be held on October 9.
16. River City Brass Band – Diane Lenkiewicz was absent.
- a. Jack explained that at the concert, the music patrons manage a small concession stand in the auditorium lobby. There is also coordination of students ushering guests to their seats. Students who usher will receive community service hours.

Music Director's Report: Heidi Guenther made the following report:

- a. Band camp is going well. Students have learned 3 out of 4 songs.
- b. Practice has been going on for the Kennywood parade.
- c. Band practice returns to the high school (softball field) on August 30.
- d. A preview show for parents may be upcoming either on a Monday or Thursday at the stadium.


Discussion: Jack Andes made the following comments:

- 1. Jack noted that Ms. Guenther and staff have done a great job through the summer.
- 2. The District continues to work to select the Instrumental Music Teacher/Marching Band Director at the high school.
- 3. Jack is encouraging parents to attend the next school board meeting scheduled for September 1 (Wednesday) at 7:30 p.m. at the Administration Building. Hopefully, the teaching position will be approved at one of the September meetings.
- 4. Jodi Thompson asked if a trip is being scheduled. Ms. Guenther commented that it is on hold for now due to scheduling issues.

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5. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan M. Connelly". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line under the letter 'y'.

Susan M. Connelly, Secretary
Baldwin Highlander Music Patrons