

ABBI GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
June 20, 2019- AHS

Attendees: Chris Quinby, Susan Smith, Christine Lent, Carlos Velez, Karen Locke, Brian Laferriere, Melissa Palestro, Lesley Harrison, Dave Kamen, Jess Schleicher, Sarah Velez, Cheryl Quinby, Veronica O'Hearn, Corrie Gillette, Therese Sears, Joe Jimick

7:04 pm: Call to order

(1) Reading of minutes of the previous meeting (waived if minutes were sent in advance)

Motion was made to accept April minutes: Dave Kamen; Carlos Velez; passed

(2) Reports of Boards and Standing Committees:

President's Report (Chris Quinby)

-Chris is looking for people to shadow the President role this year

Director's report -Evan Rzdokiewicz

-Thanks to ABBI for their support this year and to the outgoing board members

-New band logo is ready!

-From Mr. Keech: new volunteer form created; Hotel rooms are booked for the Syracuse trip

Finance: (Carlos Velez)

-Carlos presented the Treasurer's report; Motion to accept report made by Eileen Eckert; Dave Kamen/passed

-Highlights: Jazz Cabaret did very well this year (profit of \$1127)- hats off to Karen Locke and Dave Kamen!

Donations were solicited by Brian Laferriere and Karen/Dan Jacobs; Paul Effman donated \$500

ACTION: Finance Committee will look into using credit cards to pay for marching band tour fees (may implement a pilot program for Winter Guard/Winter Percussion)

Communications: Chris Quinby/Susan Smith

-No report

Webmaster: Jess Schleicher

-ABBIMusic.org goes live tomorrow! Some of the necessary pages are done

Social Media: Lesley Harrison

-Need to promote the new Facebook to our new parents

ACTION: Chris will include a link to the Facebook page when he sends the new ABBI website info

Good & Welfare: Christine Lent

- Card was sent to Karen Locke (a thank you for coordinating Jazz Cabaret)

Fundraising: Corrie Gillette

-Corrie is looking into new fundraising ideas; needs a list of all our fundraisers to determine which are most effective

-Chris suggested a calendar of fundraisers that we can publish (coordinate w/ Winter Guard & Winter Percussion)

Merchandise: Tom Spendly

-No report (new band logo can be added to our merchandise selection going forward)

Adams: Renee Laferriere

-No report

Photos: Carole Spendley

ACTION: Chris will talk to Carole re: can the photo group record concerts/livestream? Sell DVDs?

Cookie Dough

-Corrie suggested that we could offer flower bulbs in addition to cookie dough

Barnes & Noble Fundraiser

-Replace Barnes & Noble with May or June performance venue (all bands)

ACTION: Chris will follow up with his contact at Oakwood Commons

Tag Sale: Vida Odescalchi

-The flyer has been distributed; drop off items on August 30th

Sponsorships: Judy Sears

-Email was sent recently to 900 businesses (one reply so far); parents are encouraged to add a new business to the document or let Judy know who they are reaching out to

ACTION: Chris will follow up with Judy re: promoting our Woodstock show celebrating the 50th anniversary

Chaperones: Andrea Hagan

-An email will go out in early August to solicit volunteer chaperones

Uniforms: Andrea Hagan

-Uniform fittings are done; could have used more help

(3) Reports of Special Committees:

Band Camp: Beverly Embry (assisted by Jenn Nesbitt)

-3 new parent meetings were held (~25 parents total)

- Ice cream day and parent show pizza dinner will be offered to band members/ Parent brown bag dinners will be offered at parent show (volunteers will be needed for these events)

Props: Brian Laferriere

-Trying to get rid of old props

Pit Crew: Brian Laferriere

-Pit crew meets on Saturday to resurrect the old tarp

-New band logo can be used on future pit crew jackets

-New trailers were approved in the budget vote!

Yearbook Chair: Carole Spendly

-No report

Invitational: Jess Schleicher

-No report

Dome DVD: Melissa Palestro

- No report

Marching Band Staff Gifts: Chris Quinby

-No report

Jazz Cabaret: Karen Locke

-Jazz Cabaret was a great success- Karen/Dave will put notes together for future coordinators

-Christine Lent will coordinate next year and Dave Kamen will arrange the food

-Need to communicate to Merchandise for next year

Community Days- Eileen Eckert

-Guard members performed at Union Vale Community Day

-Eileen suggested that ABBI have a table at the event

Winter Guard- Eileen Eckert

-No report

Winter Percussion- Lesley Harrison

-No report

Scholarships: Susan Smith

-2 ABBI scholarships were presented at the Wind Ensemble Concerto concert in May (Alex Gray '19 & Thomas Hansen '19)

-Discussion was held about offering scholarships to help offset summer music camp costs

-**MOTION:** Set up fund next year to send AHS students to summer music camp/distribute based on need and set a date for students to apply; motion made by Christine Lent; Eileen Eckert/passed

ASOA Liaison: Carlos Velez

- No report

Unfinished Business

-N/A

Special Orders

-Motion made to accept the 2019-20 budget as presented; Dave Kamen/Eileen Eckert/passed

-Motion to close the general meeting and move to board elections: made by Christine Lent/Carlos Velez/passed

2019-20 Slate of Officers:

President- Chris Quinby

Vice President- Veronica O'Hearn

Treasurer- Joe Jimick

Secretary- Susan Smith

Director- Christine Lent

Director-Eileen Eckert

Director- Dave Kamen

Director-Carlos Velez

Director-Jess Schleicher

-Motion to nominate from the floor: Sarah Velez/Brian Laferriere/passed

-Motion to accept the 2019-20 slate of officers as presented: Brian Laferriere/Sarah Velez/passed

-Motion to close the election: Eileen Eckert/Chris Quinby/passed

New Business

-Chris attended a Dutchess County Chamber of Commerce meeting

-Motion made for ABBI to join the Chamber at \$387/year; Chris Quinby/Dave Kamen/passed

ACTION: Chris to join the Chamber in July

-July 1- new board members take office

Comments:

Motion to adjourn: made by Dave Kamen/Eileen Eckert/passed

Meeting adjourned – 8:59 pm

Executive board meeting (reorganization/new board): July 11, 2019 at 6:00 pm @ Chris Quinby's house