

# **Arlington Band Boosters**

## **Reorganizational Meeting Minutes**

(General session follows below.)

July 14, 2022

### **Opening**

The Reorganizational meeting of the Arlington Band Boosters was called to order at 7:28 p.m. on July 14, 2022 at the Dave Kamen residence by Dave Kamen.

### **Present**

Dave Kamen, Eileen Eckert, Beverly Embry, Alan Labouseur, Karen MacNish, Janine Gwinn, and Mr. Rzodkiewicz

### **Key Points:**

- TEGFCU is the financial institution ABBI will be using for the 2022-2023 season.
- Dave Kamen and Nicole Raskopf are signors for the checks.
- Rhinebeck Savings still holds the Tuba Loan
- We are currently shopping around for another financial institution.
- Scott Beyer is ABBI's accountant
- We are holding off on planning the calendar until we receive the band calendar from the directors. We will stick to the first Thursday of the month for the meetings if possible, Mr. Rzodkiewicz will email Dave Kamen the calendar. Calendar was sent to Dave Kamen by Mr. Rzodkiewicz and a tentative calendar was emailed to the board on July 17, 2022.

### **Topics to Vote on:**

- The board needs to vote in the following members to their positions. These members do not have students in the program and are still helping the program in some capacity. These members are:
  - Brian Laferriere- Prop/ Pit Chair and working with Rob Atkins to take over for next year.
  - Carlos Velez- current board member and helps with the Treasurer and other financial needs.
  - Andrea Hagan- Head Chaperone, and Uniform Chair for the band.
- A motion on the floor by Dave Kamen to vote in the Brian Laferriere and Carlos Velez as members for the AHSMB 2022-2023 year, it was approved by Karen MacNish and accepted by Eileen Eckert. All board members were in favor.
- A motion on the floor by Dave Kamen to vote in Andrea Hagan as Uniform and Chaperone Chair for the 2022-2023 AHSMB season, was approved by Eileen Eckert and accepted by Alan Labouseur.

A motion to adjourn the Reorganizational meeting for the Arlington Band Boosters was made by Dave Kamen @ 7:32 p.m. Motion was approved by Eileen Eckert and accepted by Alan Labouseur.

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## **General Membership Meeting Minutes**

July 14, 2022

### **Opening**

The General Membership meeting of the Arlington Band Boosters was called to order at 7:32 p.m. on July 14, 2022 at the residence of Dave Kamen by Dave Kamen.

### **Present**

Dave Kamen, Eileen Eckert, Beverly Embry, Alan Labouseur, Janine Gwinn, Karen MacNish, and Mr. Rzodkiewicz.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the June 16, 2022, general meeting was distributed to the board members via email by Beverly Embry.

A motion was made to accepted and approve the June 16, 2022, meeting minutes was made by Dave Kamen. It was approved by Eileen Eckert and second by Alan Labouseur. All board members were in favor.

### **Treasurer Report**

This item was put on hold. Treasurer is away currently, and July Treasurer Report will be available at the August meeting.

### **Director Report: Rzodkiewicz**

- Band is currently at 117 members thus far.

### **President's Report:**

- Dave met with the new executive principal. He pledges to support the band. The Director's are currently working on setting up a meeting with him.
- Invitational and parent show are on the calendar.

- MHVB is asking for sponsorship information.
- Props and Pits to do list:
  - Wash and wax the trailers
  - Clean pit equipment
  - Maybe done during band camp or weekend.

**Vice President Report:**

- Eileen posted on Facebook if anyone had a connection to a food truck. She wanted to hook up with the parent bag dinners. She would like to guarantee a food truck the Parent Show and the Tag Sale. Possible to have at the Invitational too.
- Clothing Drive to pick up after the Tag Sale. We are trying to work out a Saturday pick up, but he currently wants Sunday.
- Sponsorship Chair is currently Jenn Nesbitt but we need to find a replacement.
  - Do we do tiered sponsorships for uniform fund??
- Eileen talked to Jess (Invitational) do we offer a banner to local businesses??
- Nicole, Eileen, and Beverly worked on some of the budget.
- Dave asked Janine to work on a marketing strategy for ABBI.
  - Dave, Eileen and Janine will meet to discuss ideas.
- We need to get more people to the Invitational. Older people attend AHS concerts even with no kids.
- Amazon Smile raised \$289 for last year. We need to push this more and get it to grow.
- Subway or Jersey Mikes to do Parent Show bagged dinners. (Dave)
- Question on the table about how to access the Instagram Marching Band pages?

### **Other Discussion:**

- With the new electronics package we need to sell the old amplifiers on the site we sell the guard items. There are two amplifiers.
- Judy received a donation of roof shingles. We are going to host a shed party to fix the roof.
- We are scheduling a shed clean out in August, possibly during band camp.
- Arlington Ink. We are going to run an in-house store instead of going through Arlington Ink. It will be hosted on our website. We will buy in quantity and sell on the site. Alan, Nicole, and Eileen are working on new ideas.
- Yearbook needs a co-chair for the MB season. Karen may help with this.

### **Uniform Fund ideas:**

- Alumni are key. We need to get their information. We should capture the student's information when they go to leave.
- Suggestion to do an email campaign to raise money for uniforms.
- Do a decade competition to see who can raise the most money.
- Look at alumni and their social media pages.
- Question about Marching band Grants available? Karen offered to write letters for marching band grants. We need to see what the criteria are for the time limit to spend the grant. Janine stated the time limit is generally a year.
- We need to find ways to honor our sponsors.
  - What are we going to offer our sponsors?
- We are still working on the idea of decals for the trailers.
- Dave has agreed to have a meeting to get Janine up to speed on what we need to accomplish for or Capital Campaign/Uniform Fund needs.

- Last question for the evening: Is all supplies left in the ABBI shed being used across all events being hosted by ABBI. Or are they labeled for specific events? We would like an inventory as to what is in the shed. (Eileen)

### **Webmaster Report:**

- Go look at the site. Make sure everyone's name is correct.
- Alan would like to get rid of the personal emails and make them all position emails except Directors. We need to work on getting emails for those board members who do not currently hold a position that has an allocated email. For example, Carlos Velez. We do not have actual individual board emails.
- Alan is working on a prototype merchandise shop with Nicole

### **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the ABBI general meeting at by Dave Kamen. It was accepted by Eileen Eckert and seconded by Beverly Embry. All board members were in favor.

Minutes submitted by: Beverly Embry