

Brandywine Heights Music Booster Association

General Assembly

Meeting Minutes – 01 March 2016

<http://bhmusichome.wikispaces.com>



Attendance:

Exec: Shari Mayrhofer, Jodi Schwenk, Teri Isamoyer, Gail Fenstermacher, Jon Timmons, Charlie DiCarne

General: Stephanie Rinda, Tony & Nick DeOliveira, Jennifer Freeby, Kim Allmendinger, Joan Bunn, Dawn Wartzluft, Gary Gordon, Melody DiStefano, Neal & Julie Hobert, Mary Fabian, Michelle Betz

Student attendees:

Call to Order - *Vice President Jodi Schwenk*

Secretary's Report / Correspondence –*Gail Fenstermacher*

1. Minutes from Last meeting are available on the Wiki Page. Action items from last meeting were reviewed.
2. Congratulations notes to students making various honors ensembles were well received.

Motions to accept:

- Motion to accept: Kim Allmendinger
2nd by Julie Hobert Call to vote: all in favor? Vote = Unanimous "Aye"

Treasurer's Report– *Teri Isamoyer*

- See Hard copy for activity by statement and account (National Penn Bank)
 - General Account
 - Student Credit
 - Indoor Drum line
 - Equipment Account
 - Band Picture Frames
 - Uniform Account
 - Musical Account
 - Fundraiser summary
- Outstanding bills have been paid
 - Jodi Schwenk– Tea costs reimbursed
 - Pee Jays Jerky
- Deposits Made
 - Fruit Sale money
- Ending Balance January = \$28,484.25
- Student credits have been adjusted as appropriate
- **Motion to accept Treasurer's Report:**
 - Motion to accept: Jennifer Freeby
2nd by Melody DiStefano. Call to vote: all in favor? Vote = Unanimous "Aye"

Band/Choral Council Rep Report– *students (usually)*

1. Band – *Nick DeOliveira*
 - Band is getting ready for MIOS and Jazz Fest
 - Thank you for the congratulations cards for honors ensembles.

2. Choir – *Mr. Timmons.*
 - We were selected to host Region 5 – Regional Chorus. Includes 15 counties. February 2017.
 - Possible Dr. Paul Head as clinician.
 - School District pays Hotel fees.
 - We were chosen because we put our names in.
 - Congratulations to our Distinguished Ensemble participants:

See calendar for more details: <http://bhmusicshome.wikispaces.com/Calendar>

Directors' Report— *Jon Timmons, Charlie DiCarne*

1. **Mr. DiCarne:**
 - Hoping to have a “Band Day” here before the concert and to have students from Kutztown University here as well.

2. **Mrs. Rinda:**
 - Getting ready for MIOS.
 - Had a student apply for needs-based scholarship from the Reading Music Foundation. This is a great tool for kids to take advantage of.

3. **Mr. Gordon:**
 - Has 75 kids coming for MIOS!

4. **Mr. Timmons:**
 - Opportunity – both the Lehigh Phantoms and Reading Royals hockey teams have local groups sing the national anthem. Is that something one of our ensembles could do?
Action Mr. Timmons: investigate the possibility

Indoor Report— *no report at this time.*

Standing Committee Reports – *cut short due to time used during curriculum discussion*

Uniform's Report— *Michelle Betts*

- Found someone to refurbish hats. Kids sweat into hats which wear them out.
 - \$25 each – all size 8's (3 of them) need to be refurbished
 - \$125/hat for all new hats if purchase a minimum of 6 hats. This is a great deal, most companies require a huge minimum purchase.

- **Motion to allocate \$1,000 for hats:** Neal Hobert
 - 2nd by Melody DiStefano. Call to vote: all in favor? Vote = Unanimous “Aye”
- Need a date for Returns
 - **Action Mr. DiCarne:** pick a date in April
- We got 2 new Drum Major sashes. General discussion says it would be nice to present the old sash to Steve Schwoyer at the Music Banquet
 - **Action Neal Hobert:** look into whether there needs to be a specific retirement ceremony and or how to properly give to Mr. Schwoyer.
- Need to get rid of old Jazz uniforms – shirt, vest, tie.
 - Original cost = \$30/shirt, \$30/vest, \$3/tie. Maybe sell for \$10-\$30/set
 - Action Mr. DiCarne:** inventory the uniforms and check with conductors on Facebook. Any takers?

Ways & Means Report— Jodi Schwenk

1. Beef Jerky will be sold at Jazz Fest for \$1.50/stick, or 4 for \$5. Our cost = \$.85 each.
2. Spring bulbs flyers – there’s a problem with the link
 - Action Jodi:** see what the problem is and potentially save it as a .pdf.
3. Mr. Timmons/Mr. DiCarne: Mattress Sale Fundraiser!!!

A team comes in and does a mattress sale at the school. April 23rd (Saturday) from 10am – 4pm. Students just have to promote...The team will take care of the rest. They will turn the cafeteria into a showroom, talk to customers, arrange deliveries, etc. There is no food and no work needed other than to promote the event. Proceeds could be used towards the baby grand piano.

Historian Report— (position vacant) – None.

As mentioned, Historian = Lidia Sipe (Choir). She will help with Facebook and Twitter entries.

Mr. Timmons/Mr. DiCarne: will make sure that anything that goes into the newspapers should also hit Facebook

School Board Report— (position vacant) – None.

1. If someone goes to a school board mtg and can report, that would be great.

Executive Committee— no report at this time.

Old Business

Jazz Fest – Dawn Wartzluft, Chair. Friday, 4 March 2016 – 6pm

- Cheese pizza available for lent meatless meals
- All soups have meat
- Will go to Sam’s and pick up candy bars
- Tickets covered
- Stage covered
- Food could use help.
- We are not having judging stations, not announcing ratios
- Girls Basketball donated leftover hot dogs & potato chips
- Action Kim Allmendinger: will pick up pretzels and a box of Joe (coffee)
- We need 10 more cases of soda
- We are good on paper product.

- 8 Bands coming in total – 6 visiting bands
- 2 shifts in the food stand: 4-6:30 and 6:30-9pm
- Action Kim Allmendinger: send price list to Mr. DiCarne to arrange price display
- Brandywine performs at 9pm and awards are given out by 9:30pm Everyone out by 10pm
- Piano was tuned before holiday concert so directors should be happy
- Action Teri Isamoyer: work out the cash box for the Jazz Fest.

MIOS - Neal & Julie Hobert, Chair – Saturday, March 12th. 4:30 pm

- Presale totals = 678 tickets for the concert, 411 tickets for meals. 50 more concert tickets than last year which was also a record year.
- Volunteers are light, need more – expect phone calls
- Booster inserts from program
Action Mr. Timmons: edit Booster inserts and send to Neal/Julie
Action Mr. Timmons: edit MC notes and send to Gail
- There will be a Power Point preso in the rotunda on things from Last year.
Action EVERYONE: Mrs. Rinda needs photos, please send to stecul@bhasd.org
- Can we have sound piped into the cafeteria?
Action Mr. DiCarne/Mr. Timmons: talk to Mr. Beck, can we have sound/video in there?
- **Action Mr. Gordon & Mrs. Rinda:** get student schedule to Julie to help them direct frazzled parents.
- Need Chaperones fro back room -
Action Mr. DiCarne/Mr. Timmons: Band and Choir Council kids to help chaperone younger kids.
Action Mr. DiCarne/Mr. Timmons: look at possibility of extra holding (staging) rooms..
- Joy Weida will collect any dropped off raffle items
- Banners have been found for MIOS and Jazz Fest.

Middle School Concert – Thursday May 5th.

Spring Concerts – Friday & Saturday, May 6th at 3pm & 7th at 7pm.

- Jennifer to help run the Tea on Friday

Other: –

1. Need to think about BHHS Music Booster Officers for next year. Shari Mayrhofer will definitely be stepping down as President. VP, Secretary, Treasurer undecided at this time.
2. **Mr. DiCarne:** rope instruments need refurbishment. Need cases. Need Percussion Captains' names on cases. 2 Snare cases – Soft = \$105, Hard = \$250. 1 Base case - Soft = \$175, Hard = \$375.

Carryover Motion for \$1,000 to be given to Mr. DiCarne for 3 new hard cases for rope instruments by Neal Hobert

2nd by Kim Allmendinger. Call to vote: all in favor? Vote = Unanimous “Aye”

Carryover Action Neal: talk to Bill Snook and Mark Allmendinger about rope instrument refurbishment, measure drum heads, etc..

New Business –

Committee Chairs:

- We may have a name for Uniforms.
- We will need a Chair for Regionals next year.
- Pictures: Melody will get info from LifeTouch to Shari.

Question Michelle Betz: Are Seniors doing the **Senior Showcase?**

Answer: yes. April 22nd. **Action Mr. DiCarne. and Mr. Timmons.:** consider venue – like last year? Back of stage? Under classmates as waiters?

End of Year Banquet: Need some students to head that

Action Mr. DiCarne. and Mr. Timmons.: talk to students.

Upcoming Events: – <http://bhmusichome.wikispaces.com/Calendar>

FEBRUARY			
2/2/16	Music Boosters Meeting	7pm	Choir Room
Feb 4-6	District 10 Chorus Festival		Delaware Valley High School
2/9/16	Jr. County Chorus auditions		Governor Mifflin H.S.
2/16/16	Jr. County Band/Orchestra auditions		Governor Mifflin H.S.
Feb 24-26	Region IV/V Orchostra Festival		Twin Valley HS
MARCH			
March 10-12	Region V Band Festival		Central York High School
March 17-19	Region V Chorus Festival		Central York High School
	BHHS Jazz Festival		
3/1/16	Music Boosters Meeting	7pm	Choir Room
3/12/16	Music In Our Schools Concert	430pm	HS auditorium
March 30 - April 2	All-State Festival		Hershey, PA
APRIL			
4/9/16	Junior County Band/Choir/Orchestra Concert		
4/5/16	Music Boosters Meeting	7pm	Choir Room
4/22/16	Senior Music Showcase	7pm	Auditorium
MAY			
5/3/16	Music Boosters Meeting	7pm	Choir Room
5/6/16	Senior Citizens Open Spring Concert	3pm	Auditorium
5/7/16	High School Spring Concert	7pm	Auditorium
5/17/16	High School Music Banquet	6pm	Cafeteria, Auditorium
JUNE			
6/2/16	Graduation		

Questions & Comments

1. None

Motions:

Motion to adjourn: Neal Hobert

2nd by Kim Allmendinger. Call to vote: all in favor? Vote = Unanimous “Aye”



Next Meeting = Tuesday – 05 April 2016
6pm Executive Committee 7pm General Assembly

Tuesday, September 1, 2015
 Tuesday, October 6, 2015
 Tuesday, November 3, 2015
 no meeting in December
 Tuesday, January 5, 2016
 Tuesday, February 2, 2016
 Tuesday, March 1, 2016
 Tuesday, April 5, 2016
 Tuesday, May 3, 2016

Welcome to the Brandywine Heights Music Boosters!

Mailing address:

Brandywine Heights Music Boosters
 P.O. Box 266
 Mertztown, PA 19539

Parents and guardians, we extend a warm invitation from the Music Boosters organization!
 You are invited to attend our Music Boosters meetings and contribute to any part of the organization in which you would feel comfortable!
 Meetings take place in the High School Choir room. Enter at the music wing around the back of the high school across from the tennis courts.

2015-2016 Music Boosters officers:

President: Shari Gleason-Mayrhofer [sharigm@gmail.com]
 Vice President: Jodi Schwenk [hemebe3@dejazzd.com]
 Treasurer: Teri Isamoyer [tisamoyer@dejazzd.com]
 Secretary: Gail Fenstermacher [fenstege@airproducts.com]

Mtgs 7pm in HS Choir room:

VOLUNTEER OPTIONS

Ways and Means

This committee provides the club and students with projects necessary to support the Board of Director's approved plans, programs, and budget with adequate fundraising. The Vice-President chairs this committee. The treasurer shall also be a member of this committee.

Baking

Baking volunteers will be called upon by respective Concert or Committee Chairpersons to supply baked goods to various music events. If you would like to chair this committee, please check "chair" on Volunteer Sign-Up form.

Uniforms

Volunteers oversee all aspects of the Music Program uniforms. Duties include, but are not limited to the distribution of uniforms, informing the students of the proper care and the proper way to wear the uniforms, making any necessary repairs to uniforms, attending performances to assist the students in preparing for the performance, collection of the uniforms at the end of the year, notifying students of uniform items owed, and making necessary arrangements to dry clean uniforms. If you would like to chair this committee, please check "chair" on Volunteer Sign-Up form.

Band Camp Picnic

Volunteers are charged with helping to coordinate needs and activities for the week of band camp, which is held each year, Monday through Friday, two weeks before school opens. This committee is also responsible for making sure that all students who are in the Band or Front are registered and have returned all required forms, especially the medical form, by the end of camp. Members are also asked to help directors with details during band camp. If you would like to chair this committee, please check "chair" on Volunteer Sign-Up form.

BHHS Music Department Concerts

Volunteers help the chairperson with all of the necessary arrangements in conjunction with the BHHS Music Department Festival of Carols Concert and the Spring Concert, such as ticket sales and distribution, program distribution, reserved seating ushers, sales of CD recording, poinsettia / geranium orders, and decorating the stage and auditorium. It also involves organizing the "tea" following the Senior Citizens and Brandywine Staff concert. This includes checking with the baking committee and arranging for baked goods, setting up drinks, food, tablecloths, napkins, and centerpieces, and tear down on the day of the event. Volunteers will work with the BHHS Band and Chorus directors. If you would like to chair this committee, please check "chair" on Volunteer Sign-Up form.

BHHS Phil Forlano Jazz Festival

Jazz Fest volunteers help the chairperson with the annual Jazz Fest hosted by the Midnight Riders Jazz Ensemble. You do not need to be the parent of a Jazz Band member to help on this committee. Everyone is welcomed. Duties include, but are not limited to, directing visiting bands and buses where to unload/load and park, ticket sales, room chaperones, score tabulation, award preparation, stage set-up, helping in the Food Court, clean up and tear down after the event, and enjoying the terrific music. Chairperson coordinates with the BHHS Band Director and the Band Council. If you would like to chair this committee, please check "chair" on Volunteer Sign-Up form.

Band Pictures

Volunteers will help with set-up, clean up, uniforms, etc. If you would like to chair this committee, please check "chair" on Volunteer Sign-Up form.

District-Wide Music in Our Schools

Volunteers help the chairperson with all of the necessary arrangements in conjunction with this concert involving student musicians in elementary, middle school and high school. The event is held annually in March, which is "Music in Our Schools Month". Duties include, but are not limited to: concert/food ticket sales, purchasing food (will be reimbursed) or reserving the caterer, scheduling volunteers to help, organizing the Raffle, setting up and cleaning up of the high school cafeteria. If you would like to chair this committee, please check "chair" on Volunteer Sign-Up form.

Parades

This involves attending at least 3 marching practices, coordinating parade walkers for each parade, keeping track of water, equipment, and supplies needed for practices and parades. Please note that if you help with uniform fitting during band camp this will count toward marching practice. If you would like to chair this committee, please check "chair" on Volunteer Sign-Up form.

School Board Meetings Attendance

Volunteers will attend the school board meetings as a representative of the Music Boosters. Members of this committee will form an attendance schedule on a rotating basis and will report school board events and decisions to the Music Boosters organization. It is crucial that we form a committee such as this, both to keep apprised of school board decisions and to demonstrate our support of the Brandywine Heights School District to the Board of Directors. What better way to keep the lines of communication open? If you would like to chair this committee, please check "chair" on Volunteer Sign-Up form.

Indoor Drum Line & Color Guard

Volunteers assist the Indoor Drum Line and Color Guard on show days with loading/un-loading the truck, prop and instrument set-up and removal and anything necessary to ensure the groups get on and off the performance floor in a timely manner. The competitive season for this activity runs from the end of January through the first week in May. All competitions are held on a Saturday with transportation provided by the school. If you would like to participate on this

committee, please indicate so on the Volunteer Sign-Up form.

On behalf of the students, directors, and Music Booster officers, thank you for considering serving on a committee!

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