

ABBI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
October 11, 2018- AHS

Attendees: Susan Smith, Carlos Velez, Eileen Eckert, Corrie Gillette, Jess Schleicher, Dave Kamen, Jenn Nesbitt, Christie Kennedy, Christine Lent, Andrea Hagan, Gina Ragusa, Brian Laferriere, Sarah Velez, Jenn Kender

7:00 pm: Call to order

Minutes – Eileen Eckert; Carlos Velez – Motion to accept, passed

Director's report

-No report

-Chris Quinby- Bands of America email was sent (full of info)- everyone encouraged to read it

Finance: Carlos Velez

-Carlos reported on the Invitational (some adjustments to be made)

-Carlos set up auto withdrawal with Rhinebeck Bank for tuba loan

-Motion to accept Carlos' report as read: Dave Kamen; Christine Lent; passed

Communication: Chris Quinby/Susan Smith

-ABBI received a thank you card from Dave Keech

-Discussion held about ABBI website- need someone to manage it & keep it updated

- Jess Schleicher has offered to be Webmaster. She is going to keep the site updated and look into switching hosting companies so we can setup permanent emails for all parts of ABBI

Good / Welfare: Christine Lent

-Card was sent to Jon Handman, congratulating him on his Arts award

Fundraising- Corrie Gillette

-Corrie reported on several fundraising ideas

1. Foam + Wash car wash- will give a good %; idea was positively received by all and suggestion made to sell coupons at December concerts;

2. Spring plant sale- Chris will forward information for board members to review

3. Red Robin or Panera fundraiser- possibly a venue for Jazz II or III in early January

ACTION: Chris will talk to Mr. Keech about this idea

4. Eileen and/or Chris will contact JTR to inquire about a bus to Delaware (parents have expressed interest)

Merchandise: Tom Spendly

-No logo yet but merchandise with "Property of" will be offered (at concerts, etc) this year

Sponsorships: Judy Sears

-Sponsorships were down a bit this year but Judy is staying on to run this again, assisted by Jenn Nesbitt

-Rolling sponsorships will be offered- needs to be tracked

Chaperones: Andrea Hagan

-Bus backpacks filled with supplies have been created & are working well; will also be used for Winter Guard & Winter Percussion

Uniforms: Andrea Hagan

-Uniform committee is washing jackets & re-stringing lights; jackets will be returned to band members (TBD)

Band Camp: Andrea Hagan

-Andrea has two volunteers to run band camp next year (Jenn Nesbitt and Beverly Embry); Andrea will be around during the summer to assist (but not during band camp!)

Props: Brian Laferriere

No report

Pit Crew: Brian Laferriere

-No report

Yearbook Chair: Carole Spendly (w/Nancy Besio assisting)

- Using same format as last year; Carole will evaluate quotes from last year's printer and the one used for this year's Invitational program

Invitational: Jess Schleicher

-Invitational was a great success (many thanks to Jess!)

-Notes for next year: judges need a point person to lead bands on & off the field; radios to be given to parking crew & possibly others; suggestion made to use Remind app

Barnes & Noble Fundraiser- Christine Lent

-Discussion about in-store versus online sales; email for this event will include language that online sales don't count (they no longer give cash back-just B&N gift cards)

-Decision made not to offer the Cheesecake Factory fundraiser along with Barnes & Noble event (cheesecakes are \$45- too expensive to be worth it)

-Tentative spring date is May 1 (to be possibly replaced by Red Robin or Panera event)

Scholarships: Susan Smith

-Chris reported that Paul Effman Music will offer another scholarship this year (need to coordinate dates with other ABBI scholarship)

Jazz Cabaret: Karen Locke

-No report

Yard Sale: Gina Ragusa

-No report

Community Days- Eileen Eckert

-No report

Winter Guard- Eileen Eckert

-Eileen will run the clothing drive (early March)

-Spaghetti dinner may be restructured this year

Winter Percussion- Lesley Harrison

-No report

ASOA Liaison: Carlos Velez

-No report

Unfinished Business

-N/A

Special Orders

-N/A

New Business

-Leftover food from Invitational will be used for a student BBQ on the day of the send-off show (pre-Dome); need about 4 cases of water bottles (also have leftover fruit punch mix)

ACTION: Chris will touch base with Mr. Keech to confirm this plan

Comments:

-Kusiors will be involved next year but do not want to run the event; Gina Ragusa will look for another volunteer

Motion to Adjourn – 8:12 pm: Dave Kamen; Eileen Eckert; Passed

Next Meeting: November 8, 2018 at 7:00 pm