



Music Mentors Minutes



July 26, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

Role call of Executive Board and Committee chairpersons was completed. Attendance / volunteer log was distributed for all in attendance to sign.

Present: Steve Poremba, Ben McMurtrie, Beth Karchefsky, Angie Arslanian, Debbie Dittebrand, Amy Freeman, Lynne Ridenour, Tracy Butler, Jennifer Rush, Cheryl Saqqa, Deanne Roberts, Mary McFarland, Anthony Yanni, Mike Clinger

Absent: Tim Nolan and Janeen Wright

Members Present: Joann Dubecky, Gabrielle LoConti, Jackie Maul, Angel Yanni, Nicci Clinger, Carrie Webb, Trish Imhoff, Andrea Manes, Larry Kaifesh, Sheila Kaifesh, Gina Aliberti, Diane Horabik, Dan Horabik, Cheryl Van Demark, and Tina Purkins

The minutes from the May 24, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved. 1st motion made by Anthony Yanni, 2nd by Deanne Roberts. File as written.

Treasurer's Report: (Debbie Dittebrand)

1. Monthly Financials reported
2. Credit card use was well-received and used at the ice cream social

Director's Report:

Mr. Steve Poremba:

1. Welcome back
2. Kids are doing a great job marching
3. Briefed all on band camp activities. Added that parents who watch the students after the BBQ at the football field be respectful and not to distract their practice
4. Be aware of practice schedules and that Tuesdays will be 6pm-9pm when school begins
5. Looking for a CDL driver for Cedar Point who must be finger printed
6. Looking forward to a great year

Mr. Ben McMurtrie: N/A

Mrs. Beth Karchefsky: N/A

President's Report: (Angie Arslanian):

1. Welcome to the new season
2. Encouraged parents to join Music Mentors as the group needs help with all committees and the \$1 membership fee goes into its Sunshine fund
3. All parents must be finger printed for all volunteers who have contact with students; fill out form and go to Board of Ed. Office. Let your committee chair know when completed.
4. Introduction of Executive Board and Committee chairs
5. Clarification stated that Music Mentors needs help with fundraising activities. Gate fees and concessions profits belong to Cardinal Parents. Pay-to-play fees go to the Board of Education

6. New Freshman marching band students total 64
7. Cheryl VanDemark volunteered to draft information about band camp for new families.

1st Vice President: (Amy Freeman):

1. Picture Day is August 4th, and forms will be available at band camp
2. Need finger printed drivers for Tag Day, Saturday Sept. 9th; finger print forms are at meeting. Must use Board of Education, not Mentor Police Department

2nd Vice President: (Lynne Ridenour): N/A

Secretary: (Tracy Butler)

1. Kia Car Wash proceeds totaled \$873.50
2. DQ Putt Putt June 7th raised \$175.09
3. Thank You's were sent to the following businesses/people for donations to the band; M-O-L Giant Eagle, City of Mentor Recreation Dept., Heinen's, and Alisann Crough for 2016-2017 marching band DVD's
4. Thank you's read from current/former band parents and students

Uniforms: (Jennifer Rush):

1. Fitted 101 kids, 133 more to go

Chaperones: (Cheryl Saqqa):

1. Chaperone meeting is August 7th
2. Need more chaperones for Cedar Point

Hospitality: (Deanne Roberts):

1. Thanked all volunteers at the ice cream social
2. DQ of Willoughby donated hot dogs for the BBQ that will be held behind the high school this year

Publicity/Newsletter: (Tim Nolan):

1. Angie Arslanian reported for Tim Nolan that he was finishing the program and newsletter

Website: (Janeen Wright):

1. Angie Arslanian reported for Janeen Wright who was absent due to work travel. Submit any pictures for the website to webmaster@musicmentors.org

Scholarships: (Mary McFarland):

1. Up-dated scholarship information on website that includes donators and companies who cannot participate

Service: (Anthony Yanni)

1. Working on props
2. Obtained two new wagons for percussion instruments
3. New steps will be installed on trailer early August
4. Only 3 volunteers to help load/unload for Cedar Point

50/50 Raffle: (Mike Clinger):

1. Looking for volunteers. Have 4-5 new volunteers. Need 10-12 sellers per football games. St. Ignatius is a home game this season and is the biggest 50/50 fundraiser.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

1. Mr. Poremba distributed an article highlighting what it is like to be a band parent and encouraged members to read.
2. A question was raised why a \$20 band camp fee was included. Angie Arslanian stated that it was the decision of the board and directors. As explained, the band's budget is expanding along with fluctuating donations and increasing marching band enrollment. This fee was called the FCMB fee as it would help offset expenses such as food during band camp, supplies, supplemental instruction, and other various fees associated with the FCMB. These funds would not be used for concert band. Mr. Poremba voiced keeping traditions regarding band camp in place.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm. Cheryl VanDemark made the motion, Angel Yanni second