

## PIONEER BAND ASSOCIATION MINUTES

April 6, 2004

**ATTENDANCE:** In attendance: David Leach, Mary Dobryden, Daryl Hurst, Kay Hurst, Linda Wagner, Bonnie Flanders, Sandy Engelke, Tina Fields, Barb Mulay, Jerry Davis, Denise Black, Barb Goodsitt, Leslie Platte, John Gillespie, Susan Washabaugh, Anne Bednar, Meena Khankari

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM, PBA President Gail Stout presiding.

The **minutes** for the March meeting were **approved**.

**Treasurers Report:** Tina Fields reported that the 9<sup>th</sup> grade Band Camp money, \$5,000, was already sent in. \$950 was allotted for the buses.

Dorothy Dupuy ran concessions at the **Band Festival**. We made less money than last year at concessions. There were fewer customers and we lost \$150.

The final payment for the **Spring Tour** is due and most students owe \$75.

This month's expenses included payment for music lessons in February and March.

The **Treasurers report** was **approved**.

**Directors Reports:** Nancy Waring was in Canada and was not present at this meeting.

**David Leach** reported that the **Bands in Review** performance went very well. **Freshman Orientation** was well attended. Over 100 people came after Bands in Review, and the checks from freshman who want to attend Band Camp are coming in FAST!

David met with the chaperones for the **Spring Tour**. The chaperones and students will need to be at Pioneer at 4AM on the day of departure. There was a conflict over the location of the Dixie Music Festival. We were notified that the competition will take place at a local high school. The activities scheduled include rehearsals and workshops at Disney Studios, concerts at the theme parks, Festival competition and a visit to Epcot.

**Grammy Concert and Presentation:** A special concert commemorating our music department's **2004 Signature Grammy Award** is being organized. We are one of the top seven high schools in the nation to be selected to receive this music award. Also, we are one of only two comprehensive high schools among this year's recipients. The other winners are from high schools that specialize in the performing arts. The Grammy Concert will include a presentation of a \$5,000 check to the music department as well as performances by the Jazz Band, Symphony Orchestra, A cappella Choir and Symphony Band.

**Picnic Pops** is coming up and the schedule will be available soon.

A Combo Concert is coming up May 26. The Jazz Band will play with the Ypsilanti Band.

The **Michigan Youth Arts Festival** had some mix ups concerning events and ratings. Pioneer had three events given the wrong rating.

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

Gail Stout reported that the **Music after High School** meeting is scheduled for April 7 at 7:30PM.

**The Band Banquet** is being chaired by Denise Johnson on May 10. Set up help is needed from 3:00-5:00 PM. Please contact Denise. RSVP forms have been sent home and should be returned by April 22. Cottage Inn will be catering the Banquet.

**Picnic Pops** is May 22 all day. The schedule will be posted on the website after the Spring Break.

**Annual Report:** We will add \$300 to the Budget for historical preservation. Dues were raised for storage of uniforms, dry cleaning and other expenses. Only 60% of Band members have been paying dues. Discussion took place about how to raise the participation and contributions of band families. It is hoped that the ability to use credit cards will increase our dues contributions. Another Gala was not included in next year's budget. We are not sure we will hold it again this year as it is intended to be a Biennial event.

There was more discussion of the budget. Some items seemed to be missing including sheet music, and marching band expenses. Printing and postage expenses will be much less next year because we will not have the Gala or Marine Band Concert expenses. We will need to state our operational budget in June.

**Election of the 2004-2005 PBA Executive Board:** the new slate was elected unanimously. Gail Stout- President, Denise Johnson- Vice President, Meena Khankari – Treasurer, and Barbara Goodsitt – Secretary. Tina Fields officially presented the computer to our new Treasurer, Meena.

**Spring Tour:** Details were reviewed. There will be certified and bonded security guards at night. Breakfast is included as well as Saturday night dinner. The band will watch the Epcot fireworks display on the Venice Veranda. Students will have some opportunities to be on their own in the Disney Parks during the day.

**Commencement:** Symphony Band will play at Commencement, June 1. Senior Brunch will be held May 23.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Goodsitt, Secretary of the PBA