

**Pioneer Band Association Minutes**  
**October 14, 2008**

**Attendance:** David Leach, Nancy Waring, Gloria Wilson, Linda Long, David Baum, Holli Bertram, Tom McKarns, Mary Topham, Christine Cook, Nancy Terhar, Cheryl White, Angela Larkin, Orest Mykolenko, Uyen Tonnule, Barton Polot, Steve Sullivant, Denise Johnson, Sharon VanRiper, Nair Matsuo, Nina Yamakado, Sally Brieloff, Kathy Toy-Nao.

**The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm.** All in attendance introduced themselves.

**President's Report:** Gloria Wilson thanked all of our hard-working volunteers, in particular Veronique Liem, Donna Whitney and those who worked on our cancelled band picnic; Mary Topham for her work with the PTSO; and Tom McKarns and Nancy Terhar, our car wash co-chairs.

**Secretary's Report:** Holli Bertram presented the minutes from the 9/09/08 meeting. The word 'to' will be added to the last sentence of the President's Report. The minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** An income and expense report dated July – September 2008 was distributed. A question about a category labeled "miscellaneous fundraising income" was raised. Treasurer's report was tabled until the next meeting, as Jill Polich and Ed Etter were not present.

**Centennial Project 2014/Band Alumni/Webmaster's Report:** Gloria Wilson reported that Daryl Hurst continues to hear from alums and expects to receive a packet of photos and memorabilia from Phil Danne (Class of 2002) soon. Our first set of archival storage boxes and poly envelopes have arrived and Daryl has started to get things properly protected and stored. He's amazed at what a wonderful collection we already have! Daryl could use help getting slides and 4X6 photos organized into the new containers. This project can be done in your home, or at a work session at Trinity Lutheran Church. Please contact Daryl at [webmaster@aapioneerbands.org](mailto:webmaster@aapioneerbands.org) if you can help.

**Director's Reports**

**Nancy Waring, Associate Director of Bands:** Ms. Waring reports that this year's Varsity band is a great group of talented musicians. She stressed the importance of practice. She is in the process of picking music for the year and will be working on chair placements during the car wash. The year is off to an exciting start!

**David Leach, Director of Bands:** Mr. Leach reports that this has been a very busy marching season. The band is working on a glide step, which allows them to move and play simultaneously. This is good preparation for those students who may play in a college marching band. Because many of the Symphony Band members are involved in the Pioneer musical, *Miss Saigon*, marching band will likely not play again unless Pioneer makes it to the semi-finals or finals.

CDs with this year's music went home with Concert and Symphony Band students. Chair auditions will be in November for both bands.

Jeffrey Zook and Nancy Ambrose-King will play a duet during a Symphony Band performance at this year's Winter Concert.

Next year is a tour year for Concert and Symphony Bands. Decisions about where the bands will tour will be made next spring. Several choices will be presented and families will vote together to determine the destination. There will be a U.S. option, and other possibilities include China and Europe. Please email Mr. Leach with questions and concerns.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### *ENRICHMENT*

**Apparel:** Cheryl White announced that a sample of the items available for purchase can be viewed in the band room. An order form is available on the website and will also be available in the PBA NOTES. A new item this year is flip-flops. Pioneer Band gear makes the perfect holiday gift, so order now!

**PBA NOTES:** Kathy Toy-Nao announced that submissions are due by October 19<sup>th</sup> for the November/December issue.

**Band Picnic:** The picnic was rained out. Fortunately, A-1 Rental gave us a nice discount on equipment they'd already delivered. The overall cost of the picnic came to \$329.00. Many thanks to Veronique Liem, Donna Whitney and all the volunteers who helped organize what would have been a fantastic event!

**Senior Activities:** Sally Brieloff reported that Senior Night at the football game went great, with the exception of the faulty sound system. The senior photo for the Omega has been taken. The Omega advertisement cost \$5.00 per senior family. Those who already paid \$8.00 can be reimbursed or choose to donate the extra dollars to the PBA. Work will begin soon on the Senior Book.

#### *FUNDING*

**Candy Sale:** The candy sale ends today (October 14). Please make checks out to PBA, with the student's full name and band in the left-hand corner.

**PTSO Thrift Shop.** Mary Topham announced that PBA received a pay-out check last week that reimburses for work through August, 2008. Band families earned \$8600.00. Mary has the list of individual monies earned by family. Kids aged 14-17 need a work permit to work at the Thrift Shop. These are available at the school office. Check the PBA website for more information.

**Car Wash:** Nancy Terhar and Tom McKarns report that a few more parents are needed for the car wash this weekend. Extra towels are also needed in any size. All band kids should sign up for a shift!

**Band Gala:** Solicitations are ongoing. More information in November.

**New Business:** Discussion on the Pioneer football field PA system and school district spending at the various high schools.

**Adjournment:** 8:30 pm

*Next PBA Meeting is November 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.*

Respectfully submitted by Holli Bertram