

CUMBERLAND VALLEY MARCHING BAND BOOSTERS
Executive Board Meeting

Monday, November 3, 2014

6:00 p.m.

CV Orchestra Room

AGENDA

Meeting Minutes: Motion was made and minutes were passed from the 10/13/14 executive board meeting. Bob Flaherty made a motion to approve, seconded by Donna Sweger.

Andrew Rucker thanked everyone for their help yesterday, at the Cavalcade of Bands Championships.

Director's Report: Dave Porter

1. We received a large plaque for our 3rd place, bronze finish. Our color guard final score of 19.5 out of 20 was the highest Color Guard score. Mr. Porter is so proud of the entire program. He asked the principal, Judy Baumgardner, to make an announcement at the beginning of 9th period commenting on the great job that the band did in their competition. Mr. Porter had the awards in the front office throughout the day.
2. Brett's, father (who has been involved in marching bands for the past 50 years and writes for drum corps) complimented the band. He said that this is the best he has heard the winds in 20 years!
3. Earlier in the season, after Echoes, Jeffrey Moffitt sent a hand-written letter to Mr. Porter. Mr. Moffitt stated that he always looks forward to CV's performance. He also wrote that he has performed with and watched a lot of high school bands, and outside of DCI, nobody does it quite like CV Marching Band.
4. The students in marching band were very pleased about the show.
5. Mr. Porter sent out his weekly email today. We still have playoffs. Pit and guard members are still expected to go to the game. If there is a pressing event that your child needs to attend, then please contact Mr. Porter and let him know. We will not wear uniforms this Friday. The student's outside layer needs to be the red band wind breaker, letterman's jacket or drum line coat. We will leave at 5pm. We do have a driver for the black pick-up truck. There will be no more rehearsals except for Atlanta, and those will be held the first three Tuesdays in December. Mr. Porter would like to be spending the bulk of that practice time on the concert band pieces. He would like the music to be memorized before the rehearsals. Color guard students should be getting a DVD for the color guard routine very soon. They will have to navigate indoor rehearsals.
6. Indoor drum line and guard are starting. The first meeting is next Monday at 6pm in the Orchestra room. Indoor guard members with questions should talk to Josh or Kimber or Mr. Porter, they start rehearsals tomorrow.
7. Jazz auditions are in full swing currently. Sign-up sheets in the orchestra room.

Treasurer's Report: Carol de Ramon

Income and Expenses - October

- Concessions Income for October \$24,644.23 Expenses \$6,327.46 – she will follow these through until we are done with all playoff games
- Closing out student accounts \$627.78

- Props \$694.08
- Web Page maintenance \$300 (annual expense)
- Gas/Equipment \$229.95

Carol will summarize the fall expenses at the December meeting including concessions sales, other income and expenses. We have done really well at keeping our expenses low.

Penn Manor game this past Friday was not well-attended (it was very cold that day) but it is all bonus money. Audience did not have questions about Carol's report.

A meeting is scheduled for November 19th to finalize the budget for the 2015 indoor season. Dave, Josh, Steve and Andrew will work with Carol. Uniforms and costumes are being ordered as is the floor for both performing groups. Dues under \$150 (for both indoor drum line and guard) are payable in full by January 29, 2015. Intermediate Guard dues will be \$125, Jr. Guard is \$65, and A Guard is \$550 (this includes all the trips). Dues over \$150 may be paid in 2 even installments, the first due January 29, 2015 and the second due March 6, 2015 to maximize fundraising opportunities such as grocery card sales, Echoes in the Dome ads, and other student fundraisers.

A letter went home to guard members. A request was made that Josh have a parent meeting on costs and rehearsal dates for guard so they can go over it with their students prior to the students being asked what they want to do and the information coming home through the students. Guard expenses are based on real numbers for hotel, uniforms, and floors. Echoes in the Valley is scheduled for February 21st, which is earlier this year than last year.

Question was asked: Are the boosters going to do anything about the cello that was broken on the night of the Halloween Parade Night? Student who stepped on the cello told Mr. Porter immediately and is going to do something to fix or replace the damaged cello. Mr. Porter will follow up on this tomorrow and look to see if there is some type of insurance program that would cover the cello damage.

Slate of Candidates for 2015 Executive Board – The following have presented their names for consideration on the Executive Board of the CVBB.

President	Andrew Rucker
1 st VP	Selena Culwell
2 nd VP	Maria Einolf
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Treasurer	Open
Assistant Treasurer	Bob Flaherty
Recording Secretary	Michelle Riedy
Corresponding Secretary	Janet Richey

Carol stated that nominations would be accepted from the floor at this time. No new nominations were made at the meeting. Voting will be on December 8th, 2014, at the general meeting which starts at 6:30pm. In order to cast a vote, according to the by-laws, a CVBB member must be present. Proxy voting is not allowed, you must be present at the meeting. We cannot accept any new names after tonight according to the by-laws. The slate of candidates will be emailed out to everyone.

A person in the audience commented that they wished that Spring-Ford did not compete in two marching band circuits. Spring-Ford has a junior high school band and they have try-outs in order to be selected for their high school marching band which is comprised of only juniors and seniors.

We are on the 6th year of our uniforms. Our uniforms are already getting holes and showing some wear. The quality of the uniforms is not as high as the previous uniforms.

A comment was made that there were very few announcements made at school about how the band is doing throughout the year. Mr. Porter said that some announcements were made on CVTV and Mr. Porter would like to improve on this next year.

Question was asked when the meeting for the Atlanta trip is scheduled. The meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 3rd, but we may need to move that date.

The earlier question which was raised about information being sent home about the color guard was raised again to Josh: Can information be sent out in an email to the parents about fees and schedules before the students are asked what they want to do. Josh said that the schedule and fees have remained very similar from year-to-year. Josh was asked that the information come directly to the parents first. Parents commented that they didn't actually get their letters from their kids. Parents commented that the guard's show was great and has made a huge difference for the band.

Next Booster Club Meeting: December 8 @ 6:30 p.m.

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Adjournment: Donna Sweger made a motion to adjourn and Carol de Ramon seconded it.