

**Archbishop Ryan Marching Band Alumni Association
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 14, 2011**

Officer Attendance:

Annette Pyffer-Nespola
Tricia Murphy
Jennifer Weachter
Kevin Bojarski

Presentation of Minutes:

November minutes unanimously accepted

Report of Officers/Committee Chairs:

Annette – President

- Thank you for support with poinsettia sale and pick up
- Would like to create a Fundraising Committee and will need a chairperson to head up the committee
- Reminder that the Alumni meeting is second Wednesday of every month at 8:00 p.m. Secretary will post on Facebook reminders regarding the upcoming meeting each month. Secretary to forward past minutes to Chris to upload to website.

Trish – Vice President

- Nothing to report at this time

Jennifer – Secretary

- Nothing to report at this time

Kevin – Treasurer

- \$1264.00 balance after all checks are written
- Discussion ensued regarding getting a budget in line for 2012 season

Valerie – Activities Committee

- Will report as part of discussions listed below

Dan – Hall of Fame

- Will report as part of discussions listed below

Fundraising:

Phone-A-Thon (Dan) – EARLY 2012

- Discussion ensued regarding tracking individual donation

Beef and Beer (Val) – March 2, 2012

- Presentation by Val on venue, deposits, cost per person, ticket prices and food options.
- Location was unanimously agreed upon.
- There is a 125 people minimum at the cost of \$18.75 per person
- The event will take place on Friday, March 2, 2012 from 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. at the Eddington Room located on Brown Avenue in Bensalem.
- The agreed upon ticket price will be \$30 per ticket - with a 50/50 ticket strip as an “early bird” incentive (early bird will expire on 2/14/12)
- The contract will be sent to Val and Toni will review the contract, sign the same and deliver the same with the \$150 deposit to the Eddington Room

Carnival (Brian) – JUNE 2012

- Brian presented information regarding the issues to address in his proposal to Mr. McArdle regarding the possibility of hosting a carnival in June, 2012
- No insurance is needed to be obtained by school.
- Permits required (and to be obtained by school). Approximate total of same: \$500. Gaming license is extra if decision is made to have any type of gambling tables.
- Discussion ensued regarding opening the event up to other school groups to offset the number of volunteers needed to assist in running the carnival.
- The Alumni will be receiving either 20% or 25% depending on amount of sales.
- Any vending/booths the Alumni (and/or other groups) offer (baked goods, games, etc.) will be at 100% profit.
- Potential dates discussed based on other area carnivals, last day of school, band camp, etc.

New/Old Business:

- Trish to check Alumni website to see if students were removed from the page. They will be notified that they are being removed and encouraged to join again once they graduate.
- Checks need to be cut for the following:
 - Band Parents: \$3600.00
 - Miller's Greenhouse: \$594.79
 - Beef and Beer Deposit: \$150.00
- Hall of Fame/Bylaws (Dan):
 - Dan reported that since the current version of the by-laws (revised, 2011) were assembled in violation of the 2010 by-laws which were in place at the time of the revisions, they should be considered null and void (Article 7, Section 7, 2010 states that the membership should have a chance to vote; if the revisions were never posted,

they could only be seen by a very select group of the membership and the group as a whole could not have reviewed them). As a result, the organization should be governed by the 2010 version of the by-laws.

- Dan further stated that the 2011 revisions should not be disposed of but rather revisited at a later date. He suggested we table this matter until after the Beef and Beer.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at 8:00 p.m.
Location: Band Room**