

**Southington Band Backers  
General Meeting Minutes  
2/8/18 @ 7:30pm, Room C301**

- **President's Report – Dave Pestillo** – Meeting called to order at 7:38pm
  - Discussion on earmarking funds and putting it towards uniforms
  - Accountant recommendations- Not doing an audit because it goes too deep into the weeds and isn't necessary since our treasurers are doing a good job with QuickBooks. A standard Profit/Loss report for our fundraisers was discussed at the e-Board meeting.
  - Dave emailed Mr. Connellan with questions and suggestions, and he responded to Dave with answers. Ultimately, cutting the elementary instrumental music budget will save \$228,000/year. More discussion next month. Please reach out to your BoE & BoF members!
  
- **Some info From Mrs. Ossias:**
  - Thank you to the sub sale team. A huge thank you to Liz, Susan, and the whole sub team for making yet another Super Sub event run like a well-oiled machine! I know how much work goes into this and they do such an amazing job. Bravo!!
  - This Sunday – Jazz Ensemble at 5pm at First Congregational Church, followed by a pancake supper. On Thursday 3/1 at 7pm there will be a small ensemble concert featuring the SHS Horn Choir, Select Strings, and Brass Ensemble.
  - Final trip payment amount will be communicated soon, and the final payment is due no later than Wednesday, 3/7, from 5:00-6:00 at SHS, or mail it to our PO Box 114 in Plantsville by 2/28. There will be a mandatory trip meeting for 1 parent/guardian and student in March. Date TBD.
  - MOTK will be on 10/20, as will Norwalk and Fitch.
  - The closet needs to be cleaned due to mice. Dave & Michelle P will do this.
  - Sara's wish list is on hold because of budget concerns... also, there's an importance of saving for uniforms over the next few years.
  - BoF & BoE meetings. Please attend when possible, and Sara will do the same...
  
- **Secretary's Report – Michelle Pestillo** - Motion to approve Dec minutes Lisa Statkevich and Chris Barbour 2<sup>nd</sup> All approved
  
- **Fundraising Report – Jen Semmel** – Not present

- **Corresponding Secretary – Deb Mauro**
  - 2018-2019 openings – 3 people responded to her about finalizing the chair positions. To current Chairpeople: If you are currently are a chairperson for one our committees and will be chairing again next season, please confirm this with Deb Mauro at dmauro@cox.net.
- **Treasurer’s Report – Barbara Roberts** (John Coleman not present)
  - Reviewed Balance Sheets for Fundraising Reviewed the P&L We’re on target for our budget. Motion to approve the Income Statement Steve Burns and Jon Cassan all approved.
  - Uniform fund- Wants to buy them in about 5 years but we need to start saving now for them because of the budget concerns in town. There is \$31,000 in cash – Barb motioned to move \$25,000 and designate it to uniform fund back to 6/30/17. Jon Cassan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Discussion – We could move the money and then add \$5,000-6,000 per year toward the uniforms indefinitely. It can be overridden if needed i.e. buses. All in favor and no one opposed. Motion carried.
- **Operations – Steve Burns** – Nothing to report
- **Student Administration Report** – Lisa Statkevich- When she gets the points for sub sales she will put on student accounts. She will get the statements out by 2/28. Last statement reflected the trip. Senior parents will be contacted to firm up any outstanding balances. Jon Cassan- Nothing to report
- **Publicity – Michelle Costello** - Ch. 3 came in for sub sales / Maria Huff- The videos are on Facebook. You can go on through the links if you don’t have Facebook.
- **Band Council – Joey Martin & Mark D’Agostino**  
Last time we met – Checks went to the Hurricane Harvey, Maria, and Irma Clarified that it went to the SEA with Mr. Hart.  
Seniors-Band gifts are 2 wagons and 2 sets of yard markers. They’re asking for \$12 per senior. Some have not paid them yet.
- **New/Old Business** – People who would like to be considered for next season’s e-Board (nominations will be in April, and the official vote is at the May meeting) Dorothy Potter - Team captain chair, Michelle Barbour – PR, Tara Gorr – Fundraising, Dan Noonan – President, Kelly Thomas & Pat Brino – Co-Treasurers
- **Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn Jon Cassan Regina Slowik 2<sup>nd</sup> approved to adjourn 8:09pm

*Next general meeting: Wednesday, 3/7 at 7:30pm*