

Cal Band Alumni Association Council Meeting Minutes

August 6, 2016

Location: Proudfoot home in Oakland

Call to order: 10:16 am by Phillip Parent, CBAA President.

1. **Introductions:** Phil Parent '05, Erin Proudfoot '92, Juliette Bettencourt '76, Pete Alvarez '71, Jody Hauser '07, Alec Stewart '01, Briana Connell '79, Jerry Taylor '66, Andrew Capule '95, Tori Hirata '06, Doug Roberts '74, Andy LaBatt '90, Tara Castro '05, Colin Downs-Razouk '05, Norman Chong '74, Wade Williams '77, Devrah Lawver '99, Ashley Whittaker '09, Nitzya Cuevas-Macias '04.

Non-Councilors: Alexander Ewing '13 current DM, Brian Feetham '08.

2. Approve past minutes

- February 13, 2016 Minutes: **Motion to approve minutes** as submitted by Norman Chong, seconded by Jerry Taylor. Passed unanimously.
- May 14, 2016 Minutes: **Motion to approve minutes with the following changes: various minor grammatical errors, Lizz is interested in attending the three-day event, "paid" the deposit, Cal Band Alumni Tailgate (not Young Alumni Tailgate);** by Juliette Bettencourt, seconded by Pete Alvarez. Passed with one abstention (Briana).

3. Performance Chair

Phil would like to officially appoint Alec Stewart as our new Performance Chair. (Eric Dezendorf will remain the Events Chair). The council grrrrrrr-ah'ed in the appointment of Alec. (No official vote is needed.)

4. Camera Crew (Connor Jackson via phone)

Connor proposed purchasing a third camera (Canon XA10) and tripod for a total of \$1600. In this way the cameras on the east sideline, west sideline, and field camera would be the same and of equal quality.

- The Cal Band can put in \$500 as they have a line item they can use for this. It would be really challenging for them to find \$800 (half the cost). Connor is asking for \$1100 from the CBAA.
- **Motion to approve \$1100 from CBAA towards the purchase of a camera and tripod for the Cal Band, given that the Cal Band will put in \$500** by Erin Proudfoot, seconded by Devrah Lawver. Motion passed. Connor will purchase and get reimbursed.

5. Bones Reunion (Renie via email)

The trombones are putting together a reunion for Sunday, October 23. They asked for liability coverage for their event, but are unable/unwilling to share the details of the event. CBAA would need to officially sponsor the event in order to provide coverage, which we are unable to do since we don't know anything about the event. The CBAA is not sponsoring this event or providing liability coverage.

6. Alumni Band Day (Briana/Alexander)

- **Guest Marchers:** 8 people have applied for the guest marcher spot. The deadline is today. About a dozen more have said maybe. We were hoping for 30-50 people. Briana and Alexander decided a new deadline of Monday August 29. Discussion about how to get more people:
 - Look at who came to ABD in the past years - you've been before, step it up and try something new! A different opinion is that the guest marcher idea may target those who DON'T normally come to ABD and who are possibly younger, more in shape, etc.
 - Idea: Have Cal Band members personally reach out to their young alumni friends to say "come march with me!"
 - Idea: Offer for these alumni marchers to be invited to break-off band. Would be a nice perk - Alexander will discuss with ex-comm.
- **Bobbleheads:** Juliette emailed Lauren Carey asking for 200 bobbleheads. Many of us are season ticketholders, so it would help if we weren't in the regular line away from the rest of the alumni band. Nitzya knows Spencer (former mic man) at Cal Athletics and is talking to him next week, so she'll bring this up, as well as overall Cal Band alumni relations with athletics.
- **Alumni Dance Team:** They will be performing with us during halftime.
- **Logistics with Cal Athletics:** We haven't yet met with them. Briana and Nitzya will work on this, but Athletics is very involved with Australia etc, and this is a later game this year.
- **Saturday Rehearsal:** Currently at Memorial Stadium only. We may also need/want Underhill so that Alumni Band is in one place and the Cal Band is another. There is an extra challenge that since those guest marchers are doing both pregame and halftime, they will have to rehearse on both fields.
- **Communication:** Tara will send emails and post on Facebook to get the word out. Those who have signed up, could "out" themselves on Facebook so this could encourage more people to sign up.
- **Lunch:** The band has invited us to have lunch with them at Dwinelle. We decided we will order sandwiches from Cheese n' Stuff as usual, and decide where to eat depending on the timing of the day. We would love to join the Cal Band and eat together.
- **Uniform:**
 - **Motion to approve CBAA purchasing some kind of "rain covering" (like ponchos) giveaway for alumni band members at ABD if it's deemed needed, up to \$300,** by Erin Proudfoot, seconded by Briana Connell. Passed unanimously. Norman will look at poncho choices.
 - For this ABD in November, a dark blue navy sweatshirt/jacket should be worn on top, if needed, as part of the ABD uniform.
 - Guest Marchers should wear dark blue pants (no shorts).
- **ABD Logistics Meeting:** Phil will schedule conference call in early September and lead logistics. On call: Phil, Briana, Alec, Juliette, Jody, Doug, Andy, Nitzya, Tara, Erin.

7. Membership & Finance (Doug)

No big changes since last meeting. Received \$350 donation from Asa Whillock - thank you!! Doug sent a personal thanks and will ask if he needs/wants a donation receipt for taxes.

Andrew Capule sent 450 membership renewals on Monday. No one has renewed at this time.

8. Performances (Alec)

- **Golden Bear Day:** cancelled due to the football team's schedule in Australia. Pigskins & Pearls also cancelled.
- [past] **Pax Beale:** memorial service in San Francisco, good sounding band thanks to the Cal Band for helping out. We received a \$600 donation. Thanks to Alec for arm-twisting to get a solid sounding band.
- [past] **AIDS Walk:** about 40 people attended from the Cal Band and Alumni Band.
- [past] **Sausalito Parade:** great attendance from Cal Band and Alumni Band. Thanks to Jerry for his enthusiastic participation and organization of this event. People LOVED the *Thriller* dance routine. First time Alec led and he made some notes for next year. We need a whistle. :)

9. Events

- **Reunion:** Barbara not here but sent the following via email: "This year's Cal Band Alumni Reunion will take place on Friday, November 18, at 6:00 pm. The location is Spengers Fresh Fish Grotto, 1919 Fourth Street, Berkeley. We will gather for cocktails in their new banquet area, located next to the very long bar. Then we'll have dinner and honor Pete Alvarez, Jr., our Tony Martinez Award winner. An SHB will join us to cap off the evening. As with the last reunion, I'll work with Andrew to set up an online registration system. I'm working on a postcard invitation for the event."
- **Cal Band Alumni Tailgate:** October 1 vs. Utah. We don't know the time of the game. We have \$200 allocated. Discussion of how to collect donations, as only collecting via Eventbrite didn't work. We didn't collect money onsite.
 - Last year we had about 60 people and not much money collected.
 - We decided to **not** do an official Cal Band Alumni Tailgate this year, but we will do this on the non-reunion year. This way, every fall, we will have two events to promote - ABD and **either** the reunion or tailgate.
 - It was suggested we could do a BYOE (bring your own everything) casual tailgate this fall on October 1. Tara will lead this casual potluck.
- **Viewing Party:** Friday August 26 Hawaii game in Australia viewing party will be at Grand Oaks Sports Bar (3701 Grand) in Oakland.
 - **Motion to approve using the \$200 for the alumni tailgate towards this viewing party, probably in supplying some food and drink** by Nitzya Cuevas-Macias and seconded by Ashley Whittaker. Passed unanimously.

10. History Committee

Barbara talked to Dan Cheatham and will be visiting him in late August or early September to talk about his photos.

11. **Cal Band**

- Lockers being installed in winter
- Cal Band went to Asia. It was great!
- 93 completed auditions as of August 1. This might put them at 240 marchers.
- FTP at CSU East Bay starting August 19.
- Rehearsals 4-6pm Tuesday-Friday at Underhill Field.

12. **Communications (Tara)**

- Tara did not make a fancy report like Erin used to. :)
- NTE hasn't gone out yet for a variety of reasons. No problem in getting content, the fiasco is the logistics of getting it out. Tara will have a proposal at the next meeting, she's thinking of one nice printed NTE per year, and then a blog for the other articles.

13. **Merchandise** (Patricia not here)

- Fleece: In 2010, we purchased from BYOG for \$32 each and sold for \$40 member and \$45 non-member. Erin will take this on, along with Patricia. Once we find out the cost of the fleece, Erin will send an email to the council to propose how many of each size we should order and at what cost we should sell them. CBAA would not take a loss per item at either the member or non-member price.
- **Other items:** We believe we have good stock of all the other items.

14. **Other Business**

- Tour Reunion '76: Randy Parent organizing for September 17. There has been no ask for money or for this to be an officially sponsored CBAA event. It appears they may watch the DVD in BRH and then have a tailgate on the VL SB lawn.

15. **Next Meeting:** October 8, 2016 BRH, 10am-12pm

16. **Adjourn:** 12:20pm.

Respectively submitted by Erin Proudfoot, CBAA Secretary