CBAA Council Minutes May 19, 2007 –BRH (Band Rehearsal Hall), Berkeley, CA

*MSP = moved, seconded, and passed

Councilors present: Richard Powell (President, trombone, ’96), Chris Bailey (Performance Chair, trombone ’70), Juliette Bettencourt (Secretary, clarinet ’76), Matt Bjork (bass ’87), Andrew Capule (trumpet, ’95), Jerry Miller, (mello, ’96), Dorothy Proudfoot (baritone, ’92), Peter Symonds (clarinet ’97), Jerry Taylor (glock ’66), Wade Williams (trumpet, ’77), Doug Roberts (Treasurer, drums, ’74).

Band Members present: Laurel Fontana (bass ’04, Senior Manager), Joshua Arribere (alto sax ‘04, Drum Major)

Guests: Dan Cheatham (percussion ’54, DM ’57), Carol Suveda (Alumni Relations Manager), Hugh Barnett (trombone, ’55, SM ’58), Brian Wolf (alto ’01).

Call to order: President Richard Powell called the meeting to order at 10:30 am (quorum present). Minutes from the 02/03/07 meeting were amended to show the correct date and approved. MSP.*

Nominating Committee: Ballots were prepared for election mailing. Renewal letters will also be sent to members with expiring memberships.

Membership & Finance: The CBAA financial position is excellent, showing a surplus. A few more remastered CDs have been sold. The 2007 franchise sales tax was paid on time.

Merchandise: Dorothy reported there is enough merchandise on hand for Alumni Band Day 2007. She tendered her resignation as committee chair due to her work schedule.

Communication: Carol presented an NTE invoice for $2,6667.12, which was received by the Cal Band on April 26. One copy will be sent to Jason, and another copy to Doug.

Jason explained that the NTE staff is tracking current postage meter rates to assess their impact on the NTE. They are moving toward making the NTE an interactive site instead of just downloading. Another CBAA Headline news was distributed, and another will be sent in May after AIDS Walk details are finalized.

Archiving: 1) The DVD of the Japan Tour will be available soon! Jerry purchased an LP titled “Sounds of Cal”, circa 1963, to loan to the Committee.

2) Dan Cheatham reported that he is still working on several interviews in different stages.

Performance: Chris reported that a rehearsal is scheduled for Saturday, June 23rd in BRH to prepare for the July 4th and July 15 performances. The June 23rd rehearsal will also have percussion sectional. Both alumni and current band members will be invited to participate. July 15 performance is in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco at the AIDS walk. Alec Stewart will be directing and coordinating.

Development & Planning: Jerry Miller reported that planning is continuing for the Fall Career Seminar to be offered to Cal Band seniors. He also gave background on current funding discussions within the University to assist the Band.

Hugh reported on the last CBAG meeting and his report to Robert Cole (head of Cal Performances, current reporting structure for the Cal Band). Since Cole has announced he is leaving, the group believes the Band and SMA (Student Musical Activities) should report to another department.
Cal Band Report: Laurel explained that the Student Referendum to provide revenue to several campus groups-including the band- failed since it only received a 35% yes vote. The Band appreciated the attention from the referendum, but would prefer that funding come from the University instead of from student fees, so that the Band budget is not a political target on a yearly basis. Planning for the Fall season is underway.

Carol reported that the NorCal Band Party will be held at Hs Lordships’ Restaurant on the Berkeley Marina on Friday, September 14, 2007. The theme is “Under the C (Sea)”. Prices: Young Alumni, $75.00; Band Parents, $100.00; CBAA members $125.00; General $175.00. Starting time tentatively set for 7:00 p.m. Carol also invited anyone interested in volunteering to work on the NorCal Committee to a planning meeting at Alumni House on May 23 at 5:00 p.m.

TH: Wade reported that the new manager is Mark Averell, who was House President this past year.

Old Business: The Briggs’ Award discussion was tabled until next meeting, after suggesting that a donation line for the Briggs’ scholarships could be added to the NorCal invitations.

New Business: Jerry Taylor proposed that the CBAA donate money to sponsor student lunches at the July 4th parade in Sausalito. Since we have a much bigger band when the students join us, Sausalito can no longer cover the cost of all the lunches. Since the joint performance enhances communication between students and alumni, it was moved to donate $250.00 to sponsor student lunches at the Sausalito July 4th parade. MSP.

Next meeting (summer), Saturday, July 21, 2007 at Barbara Goodson’s house in San Ramon, 10 am- 12 pm.

Adjourned at 12:05 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Juliette Bettencourt
CBAA Secretary