



- I. Call to Order - the meeting was called to order at 7 PM 3/31/08 in the Mount Leadership Suite of the Longaberger Alumni House by President Jeff Jordan.
Present were: Officers: Jeff Jordan, Ryan Rupp, Brian Golden, Pete Boriin.
Ex Officio: Pat Campbell, Dave Carwile, Raymond Castle, Greg Daniel, Ron Daron, Ed Franks, Doug Lape, Jim Patterson, Mel Ponzi, Bill Scharenberg, Tom Trinter, Paul Walsh, and Dr. Jon Woods.
Board Members: 2008: Ron Donnell, Dr. Ryan Hanson, Sandy Johnson, Gary Leppla, Kevin Schnitzpahn. 2009: Catherine Baird, Heather Blackmon-doForno, Allison Pallard, Dana Smith. 2010: Doug Behn, Denny Beis, Willis Burt, Sarah Diemand and Adam Prescott.
Notifying Unable To Attend: Tim Boone, Wesley Clark, Jan Ebert, James Esswein, Craig Little, and Shelley Graf,
Others attending: Cathy Burt, Gustav Bruder.

The meeting opened with a Moment of Silence for Firl Nicholson and Jean Scharenberg.

- II. Adoption of Agenda **Patterson/Ponzi (passed)**
III. Adoption of Minutes 1/14/2008 **Trinter/D. Smith (passed)**
IV. Financial Report - Brian Golden **D. Smith/Daron (passed)**

V. Information Items

- a. OSUMB Update and Report - Dr. Jon Woods
- The Athletic Band leaves tomorrow for New York City and the NIT basketball tournament. The Spring Band has over 250 members now, and seven rehearsals before the 4/19 Spring Game. OSUMB member John Brennan is arranging the music. The Spring Band will be performing at Cedar Point and a trip to Toronto, Canada. 4/20 is the annual Junior/Senior night for HS students and parents. There are over 200 students and their parents expected.
 - A donor from Bexley, Dr. Lou Mitchell, will be donating \$500,000 in Pat Tiberi's name, for OSUMB students who need financial aid. (\$100K per year for five years).
 - Squad leader interviews have been completed - 72 candidates.
 - Show planning has been started early, there were 17 ideas - down to nine now.
 - They are still working on the USC game, there may be a donor to send the OSUMB.
 - Visiting bands may be YSU, Penn State, Michigan and Troy.
 - Former OSU Alumni Assn staffer Dave Kelch now works at the Columbus Jazz Orchestra. He gave complimentary tickets to the OSUMB for the most recent concert.
 - The flooring in the stairwell at the Steinbrenner Band Center will be installed.
 - Drum Major tryouts are Tuesday, May 6th at the OSUMB practice field.
 - A record crowd is expected for the Spring game - over 100,000.

Sandy Johnson will prepare a document about the TBDBITL Mentoring program to be presented at the Junior/Senior night on April 20.

- b. OSU Alumni Association Report - Craig Little sent this report as he was out sick.
- If you need assistance with strategic planning, please let us know, as we have multiple staff members to assist you.
 - Nominations are due for the 2008 Alumni Assn awards. See their website.
 - Important fall dates - 8/30 Alumni Band Day; 9/6 HOF weekend; 9/24 classes start; 10/25 Homecoming
 - ALC 2008 is scheduled for 9/19 at the Gateway Theatre. ALC will again be a ½ Day conference, but there is a roundtable discussion in the AM and orientation.
 - OSUAA Appreciation Day with the OSU Baseball team is Friday 4/4 vs Minn - 6:35 PM Tickets are \$2.50 for alumni members - meet Archie, fireworks, more. Go To www.ohiostatealumni.org and click on sponsored events to find the link.
 - We will be hosting a Society Officers roundtable on Saturday, May 10 at Longaberger. Mark your calendar and look for an email invitation in the next few weeks. It will be held from 9 AM to Noon, followed by a group outing to the OSU Baseball doubleheader. There is a special Treasurers session from 10-11 AM.
 - Send to Craig or Heidi a board member's name and contact information as to who will be a direct liaison for Events and Conferences.
- c. Please review the Society wellness tips that were sent out.
- d. Progress on Club goals - deferred



VI. Committee Reports

- a. Active Band Committee - Willis Burt - Upcoming: rehearsals - 4/7, 4/21, 5/5, 5/19, 6/2, 6/16, 6/30, 7/14, 7/28, 8/11, 8/25, 9/15, 10/6, 10/20, 11/3, 11/17, 12/1, 12/15 reschedule - June 14 - Ohio Brass Arts Festival - Weigel Hall

May 18 Sun Park of Roses - Whetstone Park Concert 7 PM
 May 26 Mon Worthington Mem Day Parade 10 AM; Wesley Glen Concert 12 PM
 Jun 8 Sun Delphos, OH Concert
 Jun 14 Sat Weigel Hall - Ohio Brass Arts Festival
 Jun 28 Sat Mansfield Concert 7:30 PM
 Jul 6 Sun Eaton Concert 7:30 PM
 Jul 19 Sat Lakeside Concert 8:15 PM
 Aug 3 Sun Worthington Concert on the Green 7 PM
 Aug 16 Sat Bucyrus Bratwurst Festival - Concert: 2; Parade: 4 PM
 Aug 30 Sat Ohio Stadium Reunion 2008 - OSU vs. Youngstown State

- b. Archive Committee - Dr. Paul Droste - no report
- c. Audit Committee - Doug Behn - Met 12/1, audit in process, will report soon
- d. Awards Committee - Denny Beis - Proposed new awards at lower level for performance units, etc. Denny presented a cherry wood Diamond Ohio and an acrylic Diamond Ohio.
Motion: Accept the acrylic award. Discussion commenced. (P. Campbell/Ponzi)
Amendment to the motion: Accept Wood and Acrylic and let the giver choose which one will be awarded. (D. Smith/Golden) **Amendment Failed.**
Amendment to the motion: Accept Wood and Acrylic and let the receiver choose which one they would like. (Carwile/Daron) **Amendment, motion Passed**
- e. Computer Support - Ed Franks - Thanked Pete for finding lost members. Changing 'tbdbitl.com' emails **Motion:** Move email addresses to Ed's server (Ponzi/Leppla) **Passed**
 Ed has found out that the USPS now offers address validation for 1 cent per item. We incur charges for address changes (50 cents per item) now and this would be a pre-screening in from the OSU AA Print Shop. Email addresses at tbdbitl.com are down. Kevin explained that our 170 email accounts get over 325,000 emails a month, most of them spam. The university is working on this issue as well.
- f. Development Fund Committee - Shelley Graf - no report
- g. Finance Committee - Brian Golden - He likes the CD arrangement at this time.
- h. HyperActive Band Committee- Mel Ponzi - an article will be coming out in the newsletter about the Cruise for Cancer. 2040 fans were on board, they played two evenings and on deck. Paul Walsh commented on the windy deck conditions in Nassau. Mel commented on the pat down, strip search and use of the wand by the security enroute.

Wed - Apr 2 11 AM Coach Tressel's Spring Football Preview - W. Hayes Athl Complex
 Sat - Apr 12 7:30 PM Columbus Athenaeum Wedding Reception
 Sat - May 3 8:30 PM Muirfield Village Golf Club Wedding Reception / Surprise
 Sat - Jun 21 8:30 PM Holiday Inn on the Lane Wedding Reception SURPRISE.
 Sat - Jul 12 6:00 PM Garfield Place 36 S. Garfield Ave Cbus Wedding Reception
 Sat - Jul 19 9:15 PM Wedding Reception Bridgewater Banquet Center, Dublin, OH
 Fri - Nov 7 8:00 PM Nor Centrl Regnl Vol Conf (4-H) Midwst Conf Centr- Sinclair Rd

- i. Legal Review Committee- Gary Leppla - Gary gave an update regarding the Sandusky Pizza place named Cameo using TBDBITL. He talked to Matt Keach - they will stop the billboards and print advertising. Gary offered the following changes to the TBDBITL Mentoring Policy (changes in CAPS)

 TBDBITL Alumni Mentoring Program - Policy

The TBDBITL Alumni Mentoring Program is offered through The TBDBITL Alumni Club, Inc. and is open to all current members of The Ohio State University Marching Band and Ohio State University Marching Band alumni who are members in good standing of the TBDBITL Alumni Club, Inc., including honorary members.

The purpose of the TBDBITL Alumni Mentoring Program is to provide an informal vehicle for interaction between Band alumni and current members of the Band who seek similar career paths, to assist the current band members in investigating, experiencing, and selecting careers, AS WELL AS TO PROVIDE A VEHICLE TO REFER, WHERE APPROPRIATE, CURRENT MEMBERS TO ADVISORS OUTSIDE THE PROGRAM WHO POSSESS NECESSARY SKILLS AND EXPERTISE TO ASSIST THE PARTICIPANT.



Members of the TBDBITL Alumni Club and members directly associated with the TBDBITL Alumni Mentoring Program will not be liable as monitors, guarantors or responsible parties with respect to interaction among the participants INCLUDING CONTACTS WITH AND REFERRALS TO ADVISORS OUTSIDE THE PROGRAM, but rather will simply provide a vehicle for communication between interested students and interested alumni. Issues or concerns that arise as a result of participation in the TBDBITL Alumni Mentoring Program may be reviewed by the TBDBITL Alumni Mentoring Program Board (which will be established hereunder) and, if warranted, forwarded to The Ohio State University Ombudsman (or other appropriate group) for consideration. Both the band alumni and current band member will be encouraged to provide feedback to the TBDBITL Alumni Mentoring Program, including emails to mentoring@tbdbitl.com.

This Program, consistent with the established policy of The Ohio State University, reflects a commitment to human diversity, equal employment opportunity, affirmative action, and eliminating discrimination. The commitment is both a moral imperative consistent with an intellectual community that celebrates individual differences and diversity, as well as matter of law. Discrimination against any individual based upon protected status, which is defined as age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status is prohibited.

The policy was accepted and **approved** including the changes above in CAPS **(Leppla)**

- j. Membership Committee - Ryan Rupp - Dues letter is out. Ryan reiterated that all current TBDBITL Alumni Club Board Members must be current members in good standing of the OSU Alumni Association.

[Information from the Secretary, Pete Boriin: News on the Membership Committee's constant search for Lost members...

With the diligence of Ed Franks and his steadfast database organization, he keeps an up-to-date listing of our members on the TBDBITL website. There is also a section for Lost TBDBITL members and Ed consistently updates this list as well.

The Membership Committee has been searching for the Lost members, and since we started looking a few years ago, we have found over 1,200 lost members. We would like to thank Heidi Glanzman of the OSU Alumni Association for assisting us in cross checking the OSU databases recently and sending us updates.

Current Statistics: Total Members: 6,504 Not Lost: 4,006 (61%)
Deceased: 2,258 (34%) Lost: 225 (3%)

This is the first time we have been at only 3% of our membership on the Lost Member's list - we were holding steady at 300-400 lost members but now it is down to 225.]

- k. Nominating Committee - plan to present the slate in May
l. Publicity Committee - Dave Carwile - no report at this time.
m. Reunion Committee - Reunion is Labor Day weekend. They are trying to get a weekend other than Labor Day in the future.
n. Script Ohio Club - Greg Daniel - The SOC Committee's next meeting is 5/5/08 at 6 PM at the Steinbrenner Band Center. Fund totals to date are:
Current Use Fund 309538 \$ 32,176.71 w/\$45,032.33 on 180 day hold
TBDBITL Scholarship Endowment Fund 607138 \$ 515,323.27
Script Ohio Club Endowment Fund 607139 \$ 65,951.59
o. Mentoring - Sandy Johnson - Ten more alumni have signed up since the Membership Dues mailing went out asking for new Mentors. There may be a Mentoring Program tailgate event on Reunion weekend. There are 128 Mentors from these decades in the OSUMB: 1950s - eight, 1960s - ten, 1970s - 30, 1980s - 23, 1990s to now - 55.
p. Satellite Groups - Paul Walsh - They have had four meetings. Paul met with the UT Longhorn Alumni Band in Austin, Texas. He concludes that no other collegiate alumni band does what we do. Paul met with Craig Little about how the OSUAA provides direction to the Clubs outside of Columbus. He is compiling a list of folks around the country and will have more reports soon. Paul is considering calling this the National HyperActive Band Program.



- q. Travel - Pat Campbell - plans continue for a trip to Durham, England in July 13, 2009. There will be an advance group going this year to work on the details. An article in the upcoming newsletter will inform our members. There are three travel agents submitting bids now.
- r. Newsletter Publication - Ron Daron - going to the printer next week.
- s. Adopt-a-Row - Dana Smith - Going good, a bigger response this year.
- t. TBDBITL License Plates - Wes Clark unable to attend - no report

VII. Old Business

- a. Mentoring Program Financial Support - included in the Club's budget.

VIII. New Business

- a. Adoption of the Nominating Committee Slate - John Gliatas - no report at this time
- b. Adoption of Performance Group Policy - discussion regarding the policy commenced.
 - Ed Franks stated that the policy as stated (see last meeting's minutes) seems to indicate that we are going to tell volunteers what they are going to do with their spare time. To enact this, it will need to be enforced. Is this a problem?
 - Doug Lape stated that this may be a moot point if the Satellite Band committee work overlaps this in the future.
 - Jeff Jordan stated that several members have sent comments/emails about this issue, and we should either decide on this policy or decide to table it.
 - Gary Leppla stated we know that this isn't a good thing.

Gary suggested changing the Policy to read as follows:

3/31/08 Suggested Policy: To ensure fair and equitable participation by interested members in special events, the TBDBITL Board of Governors adopts the following policy statements:

1. All requests for club members to participate in performances outside of Ohio where there are benefits to individual members, including but not limited to complimentary travel costs or remuneration, shall be submitted to the Executive Committee for consideration.
 2. The Executive Committee, at its discretion, may assign the request for selecting performers to a performance committee of the Board of Governors (i.e. HyperActive or Active Band Committees).
 3. The assigned performance committee shall evaluate the needs for the performance and shall recommend performing members.
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Motion: Send the policy to the Legal Review Committee **(Lape/Patterson) passed**

- c. Adoption of Club Budget - Brian Golden - Motion to adopt **(Daron/Woods) passed**
- d. Trumpet Pennants for Jeff Jordan - postponed to May meeting.
- e. Mentoring Program Participation Policy - Sandy Johnson - see Legal report above.
- f. Performance Group policy - Mel stated that there will be another cruise 2/12/2009 and the 13 piece group sounded good this year. He is keeping attendance records at HyperActive events. Doug Lape suggested that the Active Band members be included too. **(Walsh) The above policy was tabled until the May meeting (Leppla/Ponzi)**
- g. Appointment of Dan Eck (OSUMB 1990-94) as Assistant Treasurer **(Baird/Golden) passed**
- h. Contribution to the TBDBITL Endowed Scholarship Fund in memory of Richard Heine (\$5,000) - postponed until May meeting.
- i. Golf outing - Mel Ponzi stated that the new course this year will be Tartan East, the cost to enter is \$125 and there is only room for 144 participants.

IX. Adjourn

D. Smith/Behn - (passed)

The meetings for 2008:
 Monday, May 12, 2008 Mount Leadership Suite, Longaberger Alumni House, 7 PM
 Monday, July 21, 2008 Joan Zieg Steinbrenner Band Center at Ohio Stadium, 7 PM

Respectfully submitted, Pete Boriin, Secretary, TBDBITL Board of Governors



2007-2008 Goals of Board of Governors/Committees:

Mission: The Club is formed to promote the advancement of the interests of The Ohio State University Marching Band and The Ohio State University, and to promote closer fellowship among the alumni of The Ohio State University Marching Band and The Ohio State University. The Club also promotes and supports the mission of The Ohio State University Alumni Association, Inc.

With this mission in mind, the TBDBITL Board of Governors adopts the following goals for 2007-2008:

Board Goal	Committee
1. Increase membership in performing groups and the entire organization. a. Have at least 100 in the active band at rehearsals and events b. Have at least 20 people at each hyperactive band performance c. Have more younger players participate in performing groups d. Have consistent attendance from members with a minimum of 2 on a part e. Create a roster of members of the active and hyperactive bands and make available to organization f. Have performance contracts with all active and hyperactive band customers g. Increase membership in organization by X% h. Discuss need to provide incentive for being a member of organization or performing groups i. Send a survey to membership about reunion to better understand what our customers want from the event j. Encourage participation in reunion by membership k. Develop guidelines and board policy for the establishment of performing groups outside the Central Ohio area	Active Band (a, c, d, e, f) Hyperactive Band (b, c, d, e, f) Membership (g, h) Reunion (i, j) Satellite Groups (k)
2. Celebrate the Club's and Marching Band's past history and recognize the positive contributions of members. a. Start a living history program b. Interview key alumni band persons, including those members from the Bruder and Weigel eras c. Catalog archival material d. Enter into an agreement with the university regarding archival material and access by the club e. Apply for OSU Alumni Association for designation as an outstanding alumni society and gold star status f. Review need to establish additional award categories to recognize contributions of members g. Recognize the contributions of those outside the organization thorough the Certificate of Appreciation program	Archive (a, b, c, d) Awards (e, f, g)
3. Ensure internal organization stability to provide programs needed by the Club and the Marching Band a. Complete audit of Club's financial records by January 2008 b. Complete information systems documentation and develop a comprehensive IT plan c. Ensure disaster recovery plan is in place d. Have a club budget in place by March 2008 meeting e. Investigate investment opportunities to ensure maximum return on investments f. Develop board policy on investments g. Assist performing groups with contract language and ensure contracts are in place h. Review 501(e)(3) tax deductibility issues i. Review corporate chartering and trademark issues to ensure documents are current j. Determine a slate of board members and officers by March 2008 meeting k. Continue with publicity for reunion and goals of Club, including when the \$1 million dollar threshold is reached in the TBDBITL Scholarship fund l. Adjust annual meeting time to encourage better participation by the members m. Clearly document reunion policies and provide for backups to key personnel on the committee n. Publish 4 newsletters to the membership for the 2007-2008 year	Audit (a) Computer Support (b, c) Finance (d, e, f) Legal Review (f, g, h, i) Nominating (j) Publicity (k) Reunion (l, m) Newsletter (n)
4. Provide assistance to the OSU Marching Band through development of programs and/or provision of funds. a. Increase the TBDBITL Scholarship Fund by 10-15% b. Have periodic discussions with band staff to determine what needs the alumni band could provide assistance c. Continue to develop the mentoring program as a way to enhance our association with the current marching band d. Develop board policies to encourage positive interactions between students and alumni e. Evaluate and expand the Adopt-a-row program to encourage participation by members with each row getting 3 meals during the program period f. Complete the gathering of signatures for TBDBITL license plate program g. Develop board statements regarding the disposition of any additional money to the band from license plate program	Dev Fund (a) Mrchg Bnd (b) Mentorg (c, d) AdptaRow (e) Lic Pls (f, g) SOHClb (a, b)
5. Evaluate potential trip opportunities for our membership a. Determine feasibility of trip to an away OSU game in 2008 b. Begin making preliminary arrangements for travel to Europe in 2009	Travel (a, b)