



# Absegami Marching Braves

Director – Jon Porco  
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## ABSEGAMI BAND PARENT ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES 2/1/17

Meeting was called to order by Chuck Reed @ 7:07pm

Minutes from previous meeting were approved by Debbie Townsend & Don Kreutzer

Treasurer Report for December/January was approved by Debbie Bernhardt & Kerri Kopervos

### **Directors Report – Jon Porco**

July 4<sup>th</sup> DC Trip – July 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>.

A schedule of payments was given to the kids and 1<sup>st</sup> deposit should have already been sent. We will be performing in the parade on July 4<sup>th</sup>. We will be staying at the Embassy Suites. The kids will have a BBQ and be able to watch the fireworks that evening. Trying to keep the cost between \$300-\$400. Approx 50 kids will be attending. 4 kids per room. There will be a room block for parents that would like to go. Mr. Porco will advise.

Band members will be wearing their White Uniforms. We will try to get a fitting in shortly and then get them out to the cleaners.

Concert Wind Band Festival – 3/8 At Rowan University. Students will be leaving from Gami and will perform at 9:45am. The top 4 scores will be asked to perform at the NJ State Gala in May.

Indoor Competitions will start in March. EHT 3/18, Winslow 3/25, Williamstown 4/2 and Highland 4/22 – Please come out and support these kids! They are doing a wonderful job.

Jazz Band will start with Sections first before meeting all together.

We will again be holding our Open House in May. More info to come.

Mr. Porco auditioned 13 kids at GTMS this week. 3 are definitely going to Cedar Creek.

### **President's Report – Chuck Reed**

Audit Committee – Val gave a report. Thanked Loretta and Jessica for their assistance and guidance. Recommendations: Our treasurer starts to use Quicken or some type of computer program that would help with profit/loss. Two people to verify cash coming in for events. Make sure two check signers. Insurance qualifies & evaluated each year (already doing) Report has been submitted and will be in the records.

### **Truck Crew – Mike Cicalli**

Need to see what is going to be needed for the DC trip. He will get with Mr. Porco and report back to us.

Chaperone Committee – Terry Reed = All is good.

Uniforms: Cassandra Shellhorn - As per Mr. Porco, we will be able to schedule a refit before DC Trip.

Spirit wear – Debbie Townsend

We do still have some items available. Debbie will offer sales to Indoor Guard and Percussion.

July 4<sup>th</sup> T-shirts – Vanessa, Renee and Caroline will work on design & price. ABPA will pay for all shirts.

Foodies – Beth Ujvary

Will need goodies for the Spring Concert for May 17th

Applebee Pancake Breakfast

Tricia Palumbo – We have submitted a request for May 13<sup>th</sup> – Waiting to hear back from Applebees with approval. We will be asking each member to sell 4 tickets. We will be doing basket raffles for this event.

Bowling Fundraiser

Loretta Axelsson – Tentative Date: April 28<sup>th</sup> – Strike Zone. 6:00pm-8:00pm  
\$20 per person includes 2 games, shoes, 2 slices pizza and a soda.

Nomination Committee –

All 9 positions are up for election. Chuck has spoken with people to run for these position. Next meeting we will present nominations. Vote in April.

Scholarship Committee – Kerri Kopervos will chair. Terry to provide list of eligible seniors.

Band Car Decal – Bonnie to look into getting one created so that we can sell them. Terry will send Bonnie the A logo. Plus Bonnie will price out the A and/or the Indian Head.

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**Next ABPA Meeting will be held Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> @ 7pm in Senior Cafe**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06pm by Carolyn Haines and Loretta Axelsson

Respectfully submitted by

Terry Reed, Recording Secretary

