CBA Marching Committee Meeting December 10, 2022

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m.

Roll call – Members Present: Rick Shaw, WL Whaley, Becky Paschke, Tim Libby, Chuck Stephen, Phil Olivas, Keith Bisaillon, Zac Fruits, Sean Heading, Isaac Lavadie, Karen Gregg, Bryce Melargano

Minutes from July 2022 meeting were reviewed Motion by WL Whaley to accept Seconded by Keith Bisaillon Minutes passed unanimously

Financial Report as of 12/2/22: CD (1): \$75,131.42 CD (2): \$100,000.00 Savings: \$47.63 Checking: \$49,652.56

CD (1) will mature on 2/16/23, at which time \$50,000 will be returned to the checking account with the remainder going into the savings account.

Major expense increases included: USAFA stadium (to include security), Ticket Tent Rental, Trophies and Medals, Food, Mileage and Staff Salaries (increase approved at July 2022 meeting).

The 2023 Tentative Marching Season was reviewed (handouts were provided). Jeffco will move back to a Tuesday – September 9 If Fountain Fort Carson is awarded a regional show, they will NOT do a local show Legend will most likely be on Sep 30 (their second choice) No issues were brought up regarding the proposed schedules.

 2023 State Championship Schedules were outlined as follows:
<u>Proposed</u> – 4A/5A (4A first then 5A) at Falcon Stadium, USAFA Oct 27-28 (first choice) Nov 3-4 (second choice) Oct 30-31 (third choice)
<u>Proposed</u> – 1A/2A/3A (1A first, then 2A, then 3A) Thunderbowl Stadium, CSU Pueblo Oct 30 (first choice)

The Colorado State Fair Parade is a CBA sanctioned event. Mark Emery uses CBA judges; therefore the judges training will remain the week prior to the State Fair Parade. Training will be held at Lakewood High School.

Chief Judge Report

WL stated it was a challenging year but all worked out well.

2023 training will be focused on sub-caption profiling, number management and anchor bands. Affiliation policy changes – same as before except for affiliation from Oct 1st through end of regional's.

Clarified difference between clinician and teacher being no more than two clinics with any one group per season.

This will eliminate any chance of judge talk and comparing notes

WL will talk to Ryan Crabtree about clinic dates for the western slope, and if anyone has questions or needs assistance, call WL to find someone who could assist with clinics.

Keith Bisaillon motioned to accept affiliation policy

Becky Paschke seconded

Policy passed unanimously

A salary proposal change for level one – Out of state judges guaranteed \$500 minimum.

Tim Libby moved to accept Chuck Stevens seconded Salary change passed unanimously

CBA will move to a .5 tote sheet in 2023. He'll talk more about this at training.

BOA is already locking in judges for 2023 and 2024, so it's still a few more weeks before WL can set shows.

For 2023 championships, the out of state panel is locked except for one judge. Plan to finalize by December 12, 2022

T&P Report

Craig Ketels will continue to work with judges on consistency.

Craig will be going through the rulebook line by line with his judges.

Craig suggested that Rule 8.07 – Pneumatic type wheels need to be removed totally. Replace with adequate wheel to prop. After review, the rule will stand as currently stated.

Elimination of generators by show hosts – Bisaillon suggested they are still necessary and CBA will continue with the policy in place.

Chairman Report

A Judge-Only golf cart will be added to the inventory in 2023.

Idea of changing retreat format – More to come at July meeting.

Medical issues – Rick reviewed EMT report – There is a need to hire a certified EMT for State Events.

Regional Bid Update – Northern and Southern regionals are up for bid this year Regionals are awarded to the Director, not the School or Boosters Rick presented a proposed ticket price increase to cover inflationary expenses and to assist regional shows with their budgets. Schedule 1 outlined a 5% increase for 4/5A and 20% increase for 1A-3A; Schedule 2 presented a 20% increase for 4/5A and 25% increase for 1A-3A. Additionally, ticket sales is preparing to go to an on-line system, which will also add a \$1.00 fee to the ticket prices.

Phil Olivas made a motion to increase tickets to the level 2 pricing.

Sean Heading Seconded.

Ticket price increase to level 2 pricing passed unanimously.

In 2022, all positions with the exception of Chief Judge and Marching Chairman received pay increases. Rick and WL waited to see what the year held and to ensure that pay raises could be sustainable. It was proposed that Chief Judge receive a \$1,500 annual increase and Marching Chairman receive a \$3,000 annual increase.

Keith Bisaillon made a motion to approve the pay raises.

Becky Paschke seconded.

Pay raises for Chief Judge and Marching Chairman were passed unanimously by the Marching Committee and will be built into the marching budget and presented to the CBA Board in July 2023.

Jack Yonce sent a letter asking for relief for the staff during championships. He suggested creating a pool of volunteers to provide relieve in the afternon and to assist with clearing the stands between shows. Committee suggested asking the colleges and CUMC for help from their music education majors. Rick will reach out to local colleges.

Sean Heading asked to revisit the T&P policy for extra help for props, especially during adverse conditions and for safety reasons. Suggested that it be a director decision.

Karen Gregg asked about changing the announcement verbiage from "entitled" to "titled". Rick made the change prior to the meeting.

Season Reflections

Badge Control – Travis Keller had issues because of staff changes. Chuck asked if it was necessary to put names and Sheridan Monroe suggested generic badges. It was decided that for the 2023 season we'll try generic badges simply showing "School" and "Staff".

Megan Munoz - Classification Petition for 3A status. Rick shared there is a policy in place to petition classification assignment.

Ken Ovrebo – Prop staging area went well. He has a concern about scooters and student use of ATVs and trailer riding.

Josh Race asked if more T&P consistency with use of entry end zone. Training will happen at CBA convention.

EMTs and Liability – We're putting a lot of liability on Gary Ambrosier during Championships. Intent is to hire EMT for the weekend in the stadium and allow Gary to work in the back lots.

Kyle Freesen suggested we have special badges for medical personnel (EMT badges/EMT parents) affiliated with bands who have students with known medical issues. They would also be available to assist with other medical emergencies.

Physicals for band students were discussed but it was decided that this may not necessarily solve any problems and would create a lot of paperwork for the band directors.

Final Wrap-Up

In conjunction with CMEA Instrumental Affairs, CBA Marching will bring in Randy Greenwell to present at 2023 CMEA convention. David Starnes is scheduled to present at CMEA in 2024.

Membership needs to provide clinic ideas to Rick and WL so we can utilize our training money where needed.

WL needs judge feedback.

Boomerang has patches for students. Rick will also post this on the CBA webpage.

There being no further business, WL made a motion to adjourn at 10:24; Phil Olivas Seconded.