

OIPA Executive Board Meeting
Friday, October 26, 2007
Hampton Inn, Mansfield, OH

- I. Call to order
 - a. the meeting was called to order by president, Michael Lentz.
 - b. It was motioned by Michael to suspend Roberts Rules of order for this meeting to expedite the meeting. Unanimously voted on by the entire executive board.
- II. Roll Call
 - a. The following people attended the meeting: Michael Lentz, Dave Stinson, Chad Clum, Barry Canan, Johnny Wilson, Kristi Forshey-Graham.
- III. Notes from the meeting. (since Roberts Rules were suspended the minutes will be less formal.)
 - a. In regards to OIJA: Kristi spoke with Anne McGooky and she is interested in judging for OIPA. Michael will contact Anne to see what her availability and interest is. OIPA will appoint a president of OIJA for the first two years of existence. Yearly reviews will occur. The fee of \$80 stands as is. If there are “special circumstances” and judge’s call we can extend courtesy.
 - b. Johnny said we have an official “voice” of OIPA. Jeff Oliver has volunteered his skills to the circuit.
 - c. Batemen is sending information to be the official circuit photographer.
 - d. Dave already trialed the DVD system at the Revere HS marching band competition. The system worked really well. Everything was very clear, easy to use, and you could hear the music really well. It seems that things are going to work out well for using the system for OIPA shows. Formatting disks is what takes the longest. Chad is working on a way to get around this obstacle.
 - e. It was decided on that there would be no mid-season promotion of line units. There will be an after season review for those units who should advance up to the regional class. It was decided that there will be two downstairs judges and one upstairs judge. Down: movement & equipment; Up: GE. Scoring will be in a 60-40 split.
 - f. It was decided that Independent units must have insurance. For 2007 OIPA requests that independent units have insurance. After May 1, 2008 it will be required that they have proof of liability insurance.
 - g. Judging delegation will be as follows for shows (roughly): 2 OIJA judges, 2 WGI judges, and 1 outside (trained) judge. (Guard) 1 WGI judge; 1 OIJA judge; 1 outside (trained) judge. (Percussion)
 - h. There will be no numerical penalties for the first two weeks but the T&P judge will let you know if you are in danger of having penalties. Penalties will begin to be assessed at the Springfield Holland show on Feb. 10th.
 - i. On evaluation day we will have other instructors make tapes for other units.
 - j. It was decided upon to enforce the following policy: Currently OIPA supports the WGI policy involving recruitment from high school programs.
The OIPA Board passed the following proposal for the 2008 Season

Policy for the 2008 Season

OIPA *discourages* Independent units from utilizing membership composed of high school students who were previously enrolled in an active winter guard high school program and have not yet graduated.

Effective May 01, 2008

Independent units may *only* utilize members from a high school if no current competing color guard/line or percussion unit at the high school exists. Exception to this rule is a signed release completed by the high school band director or HS principal and signed by the parent of the student involved. The OIPA will provide the release forms and forms will be completed in triplicate with copies provided to the Band Director, Independent Unit Director and kept on file with the OIPA.

IV. Education Day

- a. We want people to walk out with lots of information. Pamphlets, different company materials.
- b. Times have been adjusted from 10-5 to 12-5. Both clinics will run at the same time. (judges & hands-on)
- c. We should provide a hospitality room for both judges & attending instructors
- d. There will still be a show host meeting from 4-5pm (Chad to run)
- e. We will need the show hosts to provide t.v.'s and dvd players for video critique
- f. We still need to work with Jim on what percussion classes to offer and who's going to teach them

Schedule for Education day:

12:00-12:30 Motivational speaker (S,A)
12:45-3:34 Hands-on clinic (S)
Clinic by Noreen (A)
2:00-4:00 Build a show (A)
4:00-5:00 Show & Tell (S,A)

12:00-5:00 In sessions (J)

Key: S=students
A=Adults
J=Judges

V. Motion to adjourn

- a. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting: 1st Michael Lentz 2nd Barry Canan. All accepted.
- b. The next OIPA meeting will be held on Friday, November 9th from 7-11pm at Hilliard Davidson High School, courtesy of Barry Canan.

Respectfully Submitted:
Kristi Forshey-Graham
OIPA Secretary