

QCRB Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 6/22/04 • Time: 6:30 pm at Joe and Jerry's • started 6:45, adjourned at 9:30, one break.

In Attendance: Randy, Ray, Joe, Jerry, Amy, Bunny, Mona, Gail, Stephen, Tom, Fred, Bobby

President Report: - Fred – To keep meetings shorter and focused, nominated positions are not automatically included as an agenda item. Reports requested to be presented to president before meetings (verbal or written).

Secretary Report: minutes review – Tom 7/0 approved,

Treasurer Report: - Ramona, presented balance sheet • 30 tickets sold for stained glass (not enough). Suggested we have the drawing at Send off concert • Need Quicken for electronic backup (procured by Jerry) • we received \$221 from Angie's List.

Old Business: Drum major SOP - 7 / 0 approved with two revisions • Suggestion to provide printed out SOPs to members (beyond having on web site and bringing to rehearsals). Fred to facilitate this after Pride season.

Event Review:

1. Drag Races – Jerry – strongly suggested we have enough volunteers • Possibly need a volunteer coordinator of of volunteers. • Announce person who is in charge of event to all involved. • Re: Jim Machineau, we could help him with his work on his house.
2. Cincinnati Pride Parade – Jerry / Amy - 4,000 spectators. • Safety issue: we need to clear away from street after event: band members almost hit by motorbike = Members must clear street immediately after parade • Volunteer monitors would help move crowd away. • We ran out of water... due to heat. 96 bottles of water were used. We will keep current policy of removing political endorsements, but will double check with attorney (Fred) before July 4th.
3. Cleveland Pride – Fred – was interviewed by Gay Peoples Chronicle re protesters (“Fundies”). • Issue: requests by members of drum majors, and music director must be limited, are not respectful. This to be reinforced by DMs, Director, and event coordinator. • Van was \$287.60 (higher than requested amount, mileage was calculated wrong, and gas had not been included). Vote 7/0, to approve larger expenditure.

Event Preparation:

1. Chicago Pride – Joe, reviewed schedule, need 4 more volunteers. • Joe will stress to members not to provoke protesters • Paula requested for us to provide 2 shirts to the 2 guys who donated money to her • . General suggestions (up to event coordinator to execute) were : Kazoos – Hydration before – sunscreen – stretching – Water to front/flags – volunteers wear money aprons to hold more water – find out where first aid stations are – eat a banana or energy food– stress safety. • Mona volunteered as “band” nurse – contact lens wearers also bring “just in case” glasses • parking in Northside covered by our check. • Discipline, board members much watch out for all, set example... and be prepared to have to discipline. • Library will travel.
2. Reception / Brass Quintet concert, July 3rd – Bunny secured personnel.
3. July 5th Party - Randy, cancelling 4th of July party. Postponed until later. Maybe go to Boswells or 5th Amendment) Discount on appetizers – Randy suggests party instead for Saturday August 7th, with a noon start.
4. 5th of July Parade – Mona/Gail (Deadline for details: June 22nd Meeting)

5. Newport Arts Festival – Tom – dates are Saturday, July 24, noon – 1:00.
Encourage folks to rehearse. Re Break: we will poll members

N & S Argyle street sale — July, Gail (tabled)
Crazy Fox Anniversary — Tom, August 21st. is date proposed
Tennessee Pride, September (after labor day) – Jerry
Kings Island – Need coordinator, tentative.
Harvest Home – Joe / Amy will coordinate

Send Off Concert- Randy - possible date: Sunday, October 3rd, Awards afterward at banquet. And Mona Drawing possibly, keep concert about one hour.

Gay Games 2006 in Chicago – Stephen (ongoing)

New Business: (misc suggestions are also placed here)

- “BandAids: Volunteers could have ringer shirts, and keep. We need to work on this group. Leader needed, but not in place.
- BUY first Aid Kit for next year. (Maybe Mona could suggest one? –fm)
- When considering a larger expense: buy an instrument truck – also to use for support vehicle.
- Randy suggested: Consider replacing band shirts next year. Feels they are faded.
- FRED: web site: Add Dicks’ Sporting Goods Eastgate (\$50), Caracole House (\$100), Petermann Bus (\$100)
- 5th/3rd is interested in sponsoring us (Joe initiated) Fred to write Eric Weissmann of 5th 3rd. Joe to get phone number.

Next Meeting: July 15th, Thursday night at 6:30, at Ray and Randy’s.

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