

TOB Chapter 8 meeting minutes 8/11/13

11:17am meeting begins

Welcome: Marty Altman

News: Marty Altman

Windi Wildemore, founder of TOB/NJA, passed away in June. Chapter 8 sent flowers to the funeral.

TOB Administration change, Dr. Pierce Sanute is the new NJA Education Director. He replaces Ed Downs.

If anyone is interested in judging training for upcoming seasons please contact Pierce at education@njatob.org

OUTDOOR:

Any unit that has not turned in their registration and dues MUST do so online ASAP. Website is www.tobchapterviii.org. The password to sign up was included in the email sent out regarding the meeting.

Outdoor show hosts must submit their show schedules (attending bands) to Marty and/or Teresa ASAP. We must stick to the 3 weeks prior to competition cut off date to ensure that the schedule is out to the performing units in ample time to arrange for transportation.

Band Directors must also register on the NJA website (www.njatob.org) this includes completing your announcers form. However the NJA website's announcers form is very basic. Please submit the chapter 8 form, (a more detailed announcer form) to Teresa, as she prepares the announcer book for every Chapter 8 show.

According to TOB/NJA handheld radios for communication between the field and the press box are to be purchased by the Chapter. Discussion of different types of two-way radios, and decision to shop around instead of purchasing the TOB recommended ones was made.

Treasurer Report: Eric Smith

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Critique changes for outdoor:

TOB ruling: Only 6 staff members are allowed into critique per unit. 4 staff members to speak to the judges and 2 to observe silently. 1 person is allowed for specials (auxiliary, drum major, percussion) but must exit the judge's room after speaking to that judge. This ruling was made to reduce the number of people in the judge's room.

OUTDOOR/INDOOR

Show set up

Rolling starts (playing music/ starting colorguard work prior to the unit being told to take the field/floor)
Interval time starts once the timing and penalty judge states to take the field.

Ruling: Outdoor- designate one person (staff member only) to notify the chief judge of performance time start if the unit is doing a rolling start.

Only 1 drummer is to be doing a tap to get on and off the field. If the unit plays a cadence to enter or exit the field the interval time clock keeps running and penalties for overtime will apply.

All units should report to the ready line/standby area ON TIME. This will ensure the steady flow of the show.

INTRODUCTION OF MEETING ATTENDEES

Election of Officers:

Justin Turpin resigned as president and VP Amber Ross moved into the President position.

Nominations for Vice President:

Lorry Yednak Philip Gilberto Karen Cole

Motion to Accept nomination: 1st Eric Smith 2nd Teresa Ross

Nominations for Secretary:

Kelley Revak Victoria Smith

Motion to accept nominations: 1st Eric Smith 2nd Philip Gilberto

Nominations of Indoor Member at Large:

Joanne Gerardi

Nominations for Outdoor Member at Large:

Stephanie Eney

Motion to accept nominations: 1st Eric Smith 2nd Phil Gilberto

Ballots passed out and counted.

Elected officers:

Vice President: Lorry Yednak

Secretary: Kelley Revak

Indoor Member at Large: Joanne Gerardi

Outdoor Member at Large: Stephanie Eneyd

Outdoor schedule passed out to all in attendance. If an out of chapter unit is attending your show please forward the band director's name and contact information to Marty.

If any band performing in your show, only give them a participation award. They do not receive a score, only a bronze, silver, or gold rating.

Proposed indoor schedule passed out to all in attendance. Indoor hosts must confirm their show date with Marty and submit contract to NJA right away.

Floor opened for membership concerns.

Eric Smith discussed that in the next year or two there may need to be a slight increase in membership dues to cover the increasing costs for medals and administration needs.

The new judging system (WINDI) was discussed. It was used for the 2013 indoor season with minimal problems. Reminder, ONLY 1 person should download the judges commentaries. NJA placed a cap on the allotted number of downloads for the upcoming season, as some units were downloading over 20 times. Teresa will have each unit's Username and Password. If you change the password, Teresa will not be able to retrieve it for you.

This is the first outdoor season that the system will be used. Any units with questions regarding this should contact Teresa Ross.

Judges have been advised that they are not to include a big introduction or wrap up on the commentary.

Tabulators are now to be on the field, and show host must supply a canopy type tent and electrical supply. If only one electrical supply can be provided to the field, Priority goes to the tabulator. Outdoor hosts are NOT required to supply power cords for performing bands.

During outdoor competitions in September, WINDI technicians will be at the shows to help marching band staff with any questions or assistance in using the system. The tabulator is NOT to be disturbed during the competition.

Motion to Adjourn: Phil Gilberto 2nd Les Fine

Meeting Adjourned.