

TRAVELING KNIGHTS OF OLD BRIDGE



General Meeting Minutes for December 14, 2022

Meeting held at GNC Band Room

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting started at 7:36pm

Approval of last meetings minutes

Motioned: Lori Laflower

Seconded: Al Wester

Minutes Approved

Director's Report – Tracey Paul

- ♦ Melissa is encouraging parents and students to attend the the choir fundraising concert on December 16th. The wind ensemble will be performing the last song with the choir. Lisa Brennan will be running the bake table.
- ♦ The Winter Instrumental Concert is on the 20th at 7pm
- ♦ T-Shirt, Sweatshirt, and Jacket orders are due today
- ♦ Banquet is January 19th at 5:30 at St. Clements (same location as the Nerds concert). Price is \$45 per person.

Treasurer's Report–Rosie DeSimon

- ♦ Candy sale money came in, so did the pie fundraiser and Amazon smile.
- ♦ Bake table money from the football games has been deposited. Some of the candy money accidentally got mixed in with bake table money (less than \$100) so that has been corrected.
- ♦ All expenses for the home show have been paid. The \$4400 entry fee for the home show was paid previously and we only took in \$3500 the day of the show. Arny was reimbursed for the battery he bought that was needed for the home show so it is a home show expense. The PTA was also paid \$150 for the food they sold us to use in the concession stand at the home show. They gave us a very good deal.
- ♦ Nancy was paid for the clothing drive and she will receive money from the chocolate sales to deposit in individual student accounts. This will be reflected in the next report.
- ♦ We took in \$2808 in pie money. (\$162 in Venmo from pies was reported on previous month's report)
- ♦ Looking to finalize the season. Lisa was paid for MetLife but Donna still needs to be paid.

Question from Al Wester: Did the police department invoice us for the home show?

We did not receive an invoice despite multiple requests. We did receive a PBA donation but that was not for police service at the home show.

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Motioned: Cahren Morrisr

Seconded: Lisa Boelhower

Minutes Approved

Membership–Sharon DeGregory

No change. Membership remains at 37

Committee Reports

- ♦ Sign Painting Fundraiser (Tracey Paul)

We had a date scheduled in January but there was a conflict. The new date is February 4th at 7pm at Messiah Lutheran Church on Bordentown Ave in Parlin. The only payment the church is asking for to use the room is a donation to the food pantry.

Participants can pre-order their wooden board, then choose a background paint color and vinyl saying from stock at the event. Maximum of 50 participants unless we open up a second room.

- ♦ Kastle Creations

Popcorn sale is scheduled for the last week of January and first week of February. Kim is working it out with Adam.

- ♦ Card Box Fundraiser (Jenna Franzese)

We sold 44 boxes of cards and they should be delivered by December 18th.

- ♦ Giving Tuesday (Fawn Nocera)

We raised a total of \$3737 through the GoFundMe campaign.

Fawn plans to take a course at Brookdale over the summer to help with this type of fundraising and she believes we can increase that total to \$15,000 next year.

GoFundMe issues checks on the 15th of the month so we should receive the check soon.

Christina Spiro's company is doing a donation match of \$2400

- ♦ Pie Fundraiser (Lisa Brennan)

Sales increased by 60 pies this year for a total of 157 pies and a total \$570.15

The cost per pie this year was \$14.25 per pie if we sold 150 or more pies. We sold each pie for \$18.

Lisa suggests raising the cost of each pie to \$20 next year because the cost of the pies will likely increase, as will the minimum number of pies sold.

- ♦ Home Show (Tracey Paul)

Tracey will speak with Melissa Thatcher about hosting a states show next year. We took a beating on this year's show but we have done well on previous states home shows.

Ticket prices will increase and we have received notes and suggestions from everyone who worked this show on how to improve the next one.

New Business

- ♦ Banquet

We are asking each member to donate \$10 for tech thank you gifts. Cahren Morris is making the thank you cards to hold the Visa gift cards that will be presented at the banquet.

- ♦ Indoor Shows

We are hoping to host 2 indoor home shows this season (barring weather related cancellations like last year) on February 11 and March 11. We would appreciate all the help we can get.

- ♦ Nominating Committee

One member of the E-Board will definitely be leaving next year.

We are looking for 3-5 members to form a committee and accept nominations for next year's board.

- ♦ Indoor Percussion and Winter Guard uniforms have been ordered.

- ♦ No January meeting.

Adjournment

Motion: Fawn Nocera

Seconded: Lisa Boelhower

Meeting adjourned at 8:01PM

Next Meeting February 8th 7:30 at GNC Band Room