



# Annual Report

## April, 2009

Building a Foundation for Musical Excellence

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PBA Annual  
Meeting &  
Elections

Tuesday, April 21

7:30 pm

Pioneer Band Room

B-126

### President's Report

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Pioneer Bands again this year. It is a pleasure to work with the many families who find ways to make opportunities available for our students all year long. From Band Registration in August to the Bands in Review, I've seen smiling volunteers every step of the way. It's exciting to know we can still look forward to the Band Banquet and Picnic Pops.

Back in August 2008, Band Camp Sunday at Interlochen showcased 195 students in the first concert performance of the school year. The marching demonstration showed the directors, alumni counselors, and our current students are quite serious about Pioneer's tradition of excellence. Then we enjoyed many football nights, including Senior Recognition night and a combined performance with the Huron Band. We went bowling on a blustery day. We saw an awesome display of talent and preparation at concerts and festivals and a supportive membership for our fundraisers even in tough economic times.

Already planning for next year, we invited the incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Families to attend our Orientation event after the Bands in Review Concert at the end of March so our new families could ask questions and be ready for all aspects of the Pioneer Band Program and their student's transition into Pioneer High School.

The Board Members learned a lot this year. We worked hard to continue to improve the workings of the PBA, including the hiring of Daryl Hurst as our bookkeeper to provide continuity and oversight for our finances.

It is very exciting to be a part of an organization that has so many families willing to attend meetings, watch the website, and stay involved in our students' band experience! I appreciate the hard work and dedication of my fellow Pioneer Band Association officers, of committee members, of committee and project leaders, and of the countless (and tireless) volunteers who take such good care of our uniforms, newsletters, marching band safety, website, Picnic Pops, band festival, and so much more.

I would like to acknowledge the energy and work ethic of our passionate Director of Bands, David A. Leach, and our dedicated Associate Director of Bands, Nancy Waring. Of course, our young musicians are worth the work; just listen to the bands!

Respectfully Submitted,

*-Gloria Wilson*

### Secretary's Report

This year PBA held a mandatory general meeting on September 9<sup>th</sup> for all band parents. The meeting was well attended and proved an efficient way of transmitting information and answering questions at the start of the year. Subsequent PBA general meetings were held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at

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7:30 p.m. in the Pioneer band room. Attendance at the regular monthly meetings averaged about 18 parents a meeting. David Leach and Nancy Waring shared information about our bands and there was much lively discussion about PBA activities. The purchase of new equipment for the drum line and the funding of a bookkeeper position for the PBA were two important decisions discussed and voted on this year. Minutes of the meetings are available at our band website:

[www.aapioneerbands.org](http://www.aapioneerbands.org). The PBA Annual meeting will be held on the third Tuesday of April this year, due to spring break. Next year's board will be voted in during this meeting.

In addition to the general meetings, the executive board met on a monthly basis during the school year to discuss PBA business and to set agenda items for the general meetings.

Thanks to the involvement of hundreds of parents, the PBA continues to be an active community of parents working together to support our children and the Pioneer Bands.

Respectfully submitted,

*Holli Bettram*

## Treasurer's Report

The PBA fiscal year runs from July through June. Two significant events occurred during the 2007 fiscal year after the April 2008 Treasurer's Report was published. Picnic Pops took place in May 2008. The revenue from Picnic Pops was \$6,295. However, after expenses, Picnic Pops suffered a net loss of \$602. Band Camp took place in August 2008, although the fees for tuition and transportation were paid in the 2007 fiscal year. The cost of the 2008 Band Camp was \$53,675. This amount does not include several full and partial scholarships that were awarded by the PBA to qualified students who attended the camp.

The fiscal year beginning cash balance on July 1, 2008 was \$81,906. To date, \$6,880 has been collected from PBA families for the \$25 program fee. Other funds raised during the year (net of expenses) were: Direct Contributions - \$6,233, Candy Sales - \$8,508, Car Wash - \$3,240, Concessions at the District Band Festival - \$1,150, and the Band Gala - \$15,251. During the year, expenditures included: Contribution for New Percussion Equipment for Symphony Band Drum Line - \$5,525, Sectional Instruction - \$2,649, Guest Instructor - \$500, and the Bowling Party (January 2009) - \$806. As of March 31, 2009, the cash balance was \$62,747. The Albritton Endowment Fund, managed by the Ann Arbor Area

Community Foundation, currently has a balance of \$15,162.

At this time I would like to thank Bart Polot for his service as last year's PBA Treasurer, Jill Polich for all her work as PBA Treasurer earlier this year, and Daryl Hurst, the PBA Bookkeeper, for his tireless efforts in maintaining the PBA accounting records, depositing the receipts, paying the bills, filing the tax return, and setting up the individual student accounts.

Respectfully submitted,

*-Ed Etter*

## Vice President's Report

Our primary role this year has been to provide support by helping to organize some of the volunteer efforts for and participating in the execution of the many PBA activities that took place. In the great tradition of the PBA, parents once again stepped up with gusto!

From getting students registered and outfitted at Band Registration, to providing information at Band Camp, to making sure the musicians had snacks and drinks during marching practice, to setting up suds and hoses and managing the kids as they scrubbed cars at the car wash, to planning and coordinating the picnic (with which Mother Nature unfortunately did not cooperate!), to organizing and helping out at the bowling party, to selling concessions at the District Festival, to decorating, donating time and merchandise, selling tickets to, and simply attending our fabulous Gala and much, much more, dozens and dozens of you contributed to an amazingly successful year. And we know that the Band Banquet, Picnic Pops, and Senior Luncheon, which are just around the corner, will be fabulous events once again, because so many of you are working hard to make it so.

We want to particularly acknowledge and thank those parents who have chaired many of these events for the extra time and effort they have (and continue to) put in. You can find all of their names at the beginning of this year's Band Directory. And one special thank you to those parents of the Bands' Seniors, who have given so much these past four years. PBA could not have done nearly so much without you.

We wish you all a great summer filled with relaxation, quality time with your families, and – of course – much music! And we look forward to seeing all of you returning families at Band Camp in August, when we begin to do it all over again!

Respectfully submitted,

*-David Baum & Linda Long*

# 2009-10, 2010-11 Pioneer Band Association Proposed Budget

April 04, 2009

I N C O M E	Tour Year	Non-Tour Year	E X P E N S E S	Tour Year	Non-Tour Year
	2009-10	2010-11		2009-10	2010-11
<b>Band Activities Income</b>			<b>Band Activities Expenses</b>		
Band Camp Fees	\$58,000	\$58,000	Band Camp	\$58,000	\$58,000
Band Festival Concession	\$2,000	\$2,000	Marching Band Hospitality	\$275	\$275
Band Banquet Ticket Sales	\$2,700	\$2,700	Band Festival Concession	\$350	\$350
Picnic Pops	\$6,300	\$6,300	Band Banquet	\$3,500	\$3,500
Senior Activities	\$300	\$300	Picnic Pops	\$6,000	\$6,000
General Contributions	\$2,500	\$2,500	Instrument Repairs	\$750	\$750
<b>Total Band Activities Income</b>	<b>\$71,800</b>	<b>\$71,800</b>	Instrument Purchase Fund	\$2,000	\$2,000
			Sheet Music	\$100	\$100
<b>Fundraising Income</b>			Director's Discretionary Fund	\$500	\$500
Car Wash	\$10,000	\$10,000	Guest Conductors/Soloists	\$1,000	\$1,000
Candy Sale	\$28,000	\$18,000	Sectional Support	\$4,000	\$4,000
Thrift Shop income	\$5,000	\$5,000	Marching Band expenses	\$500	\$500
Gala & Auction	\$25,000	\$25,000	Band Tour Contribution	\$40,000	\$0,000
Miscellaneous	\$5,000	\$3,000	General Scholarship Assistance	\$10,500	\$500
<b>Total Fundraising Income</b>	<b>\$73,000</b>	<b>\$61,000</b>	Pioneer Band Alumni Association	\$1,000	\$1,000
			Senior Activities	\$1,400	\$1,400
<b>Social Activities Income</b>			Awards & Recognition	\$2,300	\$2,300
Apparel Sales	\$2,000	\$2,000	<b>Total Band Activities Expenses</b>	<b>\$132,175</b>	<b>\$82,175</b>
Bowling Party	\$150	\$150			
<b>Total Social Activities Income</b>	<b>\$2,150</b>	<b>\$2,150</b>	<b>Fundraising Expenses</b>		
			Car Wash expenses	\$200	\$200
<b>Operating Income</b>			Candy Sale expenses	\$15,000	\$12,000
Annual Dues (\$25 each)	\$7,000	\$7,000	Thrift Shop expenses	\$0	\$0
Checking/Savings Dividends	\$1,500	\$1,500	Gala expenses	\$10,000	\$10,000
<b>Total Operating Income</b>	<b>\$8,500</b>	<b>\$8,500</b>	<b>Total Fundraising Expenses</b>	<b>\$25,200</b>	<b>\$22,200</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$155,450</b>	<b>\$143,450</b>	<b>Social Activities Expenses</b>		
			Apparel expenses	\$2,000	\$2,000
			Bowling Party	\$800	\$800
			Band Picnic	\$1,100	\$1,100
			<b>Total Social Activity Expenses</b>	<b>\$3,900</b>	<b>\$3,900</b>
			<b>Operations Expenses</b>		
			Band Room Renovations	\$500	\$500
			Uniform Cleaning	\$3,500	\$3,500
			Printing and Postage	\$3,000	\$3,000
			Copier Maintenance	\$500	\$500
			Website Hosting	\$175	\$175
			Computer Maintenance	\$500	\$500
			Conference Attendance	\$1,000	\$1,000
			Historical Preservation	\$300	\$300
			Board Discretionary Fund	\$200	\$200
			Merchant Account Fees	\$1,000	\$1,000
			Bookkeeping Fees	4000	4000
			<b>Total Operations Expenses</b>	<b>\$14,675</b>	<b>\$14,675</b>
			<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$175,950</b>	<b>\$122,950</b>
			<b>NET</b>	<b>(\$20,500)</b>	<b>\$20,500</b>



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**PLEASE COME TO THE 2009 Pioneer Band  
Association Annual Meeting & Elections  
AND CAST YOUR VOTE!!!**

**Tuesday, April 21, 2009**

**7:30 pm Pioneer Band Room B-126**

**SAMPLE BALLOT**

**Pioneer Band Association  
April 2009 SAMPLe Ballot**  
*Officers (vote for one for each office)*

President	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gloria Wilson
	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Vice-President	<input type="checkbox"/>	David Baum & Linda Long
	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Paulette Schonscheck & Carol Flannagan
	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/>	Christine Cook
	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

Should we accept the proposed  
2009-2011 budget?

☐ Yes ☐ No

**The 2009-10 Officers of the  
Pioneer Band Association  
Thank Each and Every ONE of  
You for a Great Year!**

We appreciate our directors who go above and beyond the call of duty to work with our students and our organization to make music and encourage our students to be forward-looking human beings. We appreciate all of the parents who said "Yes" when asked, showed up ready to work, asked how they could help, fulfilled their assignments, contributed constructive ideas and comments, attended meetings, made phone calls, ran errands, and willingly gave to this organization even when we unintentionally forgot to give proper credit and say a proper "thank you!!!"

— Gloria, David, Linda, Ed and Holli