

University of Georgia Redcoat Band Alumni Association

Board Meeting – September 6, 2005

In Attendance:

Melissa Bishop
Lee Butts
Linda Butts
Chris Clark
Joan Clark
John Colegrove
Marion English
Laura Moates
Lyn Olliff
Deron Pardue
Candy Byrd Roland
Amber Weldon-Stevens
Rebecca Willoughby
Charles Wood
Peter Zervakos

From UGA:

John Culvahouse
Tom Keck
David Romines

The meeting was held at O'Charleys and started at 6:30 PM.

Presiding Officer: Marion English

Minutes from the previously meeting were reviewed and several changes were made. The Treasurer's Report was moved under the Homecoming, 2005 section and the sections on scholarship recipients and assistant director band staff were deleted.

Treasurer's Report – Lee Butts

Currently Lee only has information on the Homecoming 2005 bank account. He does not have information on the other funds because of the transition from the UGA Foundation to the Arch Foundation. Once the transition is complete, the existing Foundation accounts which include the Roger Dancz, Phyllis Dancz, and Steve Mahoney scholarship funds will remain with the Foundation and will continue to be controlled as originally designated. A detailed Treasurer's Report is attached to the minutes.

Lee also suggested the idea of setting up a way that Redcoat Alumni could exchange information on our website. For example, the Jacksonville Bulldog Club has a ticket exchange on their website. This would be non-profit and would only be intended as a benefit for Redcoat Alumni. Joan Clark suggested adding a bulletin board to the website. The bulletin board could be divided into different sections such as one section for opinions, another for ticket exchange, and another for selling items.

Motion: Moved that we start an information exchange on the website that would be not for profit. (Moved by Lee Butts, seconded by Marion English) Passed unanimously.

Homecoming, 2005

(1) Number of participants and number on waiting list

A total of 415 registrations were submitted for Homecoming 2005 through the Alumni Band website. There are 408 alumni who have signed up to march. There have been 542 requests for family tickets. For the after the game event, there have been requests for 92 adult tickets and 19 child tickets.

Since some of the alumni who are marching have season tickets, there should be enough seats for everyone that will be marching. The problem is with the family tickets. We only have 400 tickets for family members and 542 requests. During the April 11, 2005 Board meeting, we decided that first priority for these tickets would go to those who were supporting members of the Redcoat Alumni Association at the end of June, 2005. At that time there were 95 supporting members. It was also decided that remaining tickets would be given on a first come first serve basis. Since we know the names of the people that did not get tickets, it was decided to form a committee to notify these people that they didn't get tickets and let them know where they are on the waiting list. Melissa Bishop offered to chair the committee and Amber Weldon-Stevens, John Colegrove, and Peter Zervakos agreed to serve on the committee.

(2) Practice time

Practice will have to be in the morning even if it is a late game. It was decided that we would meet at the practice fields at 7:00 AM no matter what time the game starts. If the game starts early we will start rehearsal at 7:15 AM. If the game is later we can start rehearsal around 8 PM. The Board will meet at 6:15 AM.

(3) Parking and Music

Parking will be in Parking Lot E07 (next to the School of Music) and there will be shuttle buses to the practice fields starting at 6:00 AM. Music can be downloaded from the website and the password will be "one hundred years". We will also be performing at halftime with the Redcoat Band.

(4) Status of borrowed instruments

Laura Moates is in charge of getting the extra instruments we will need since the Alumni Band will be marching with the Redcoat Band at halftime. She has been in contact with several high schools and has already gotten most of what we will need. The instruments will be picked up Friday night after the high school games.

(5) Homecoming 2005 Celebration Event

Joan and Chris Clark have been planning the Homecoming 2005 Celebration Event. Joan passed out a handout with details about the event. A copy of the handout is attached to the minutes. In June the Board decided to try and have the event at the Georgia Hall in the Tate Student Center. Unfortunately the Georgia Hall was not available. Therefore, an e-mail was sent to the Board to get their opinion on using the bandroom for the event. The Board agreed that this would be the best location. As decided at the June meeting, Sonny's BBQ will cater the event. The menu is on the handout and it will be all you can eat. The meal will be delivered and served by Sonny's staff for 2 hours. The cost will be \$12.99 per person plus 7% tax (\$13.90). Sonny's will need a final headcount 72 hours prior to the event.

The original price for the Celebration Event was \$30.00. There was much discussion about this price. Many felt the price should be lower.

Motion: Moved that we charge the following prices for the Celebration Event. Adults - \$25.00, Children (12 and under) - \$10.00, current Redcoats - \$15.00, adults at door - \$30.00, and children at door - \$15.00. (Moved by Lee Butts, seconded by Marion English) Passed unanimously

It was also decided that we would have coke as an additional drink and a cake as an additional desert.

Reflector status

A copy of the draft for the Redcoat Reflector was given to each Board member. Rebecca asked that we look over the draft and see if there were any corrections that needed to be made. Since Jeffrey Delk was unable to attend the meeting, the Board decided it would be a good idea to e-mail him a copy of the sections on pages 9 and 10 about the new Arch Funds and joining the Redcoat Band Alumni Association to make sure all the information on those pages is correct. A few other minor changes were made. Everything will be finalized and the Reflector will be sent out in the next week.

Development

John Colegrove is continuing to call those Redcoat alumni who make contributions and thank them for their contribution. He is getting a good response to this. Work is also continuing on updating the database. Jeffrey Delk has an intern that has been working on this.

Recognition of Majorettes participation in the National Collegiate Championships at Notre Dame

*2005 National College Halftime Show Twirl Team Champions
2005 National Collegiate Majorette Line Halftime Show Team Champions
2005 USA Senior Large Twirl Team Champions
Hope Carrell won the 2005 National 2-Baton Championship (again)*

Congratulations Majorettes from the Board!

Fundraising

Lee and Linda Butts proposed that we sell a Redcoat Band 100-year ornament as a fundraiser. Attached to the minutes is a copy of a handout with information on the ornament and pictures of what the ornament will look like. The cost per ornament is \$17.00 (includes shipping fee to US). The minimum order is 120. Lee and Linda have agreed to fund the seed money for the ornaments. The profit we make would go directly to the Redcoat Band. There was some discussion on how much we wanted to charge for the ornament.

Motion: Moved that we charge \$25.00 for the ornament. (Moved by Joan Clark, seconded by Marion English) Passed unanimously

The ornaments will be sold at Homecoming 2005.

Our next meeting will be at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, October 11 at Rebecca Willoughby house.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyn Olliff, Secretary

Attachments:

Treasurer's Report

Homecoming 2005 Celebration Event handout

Christmas ornament handout

Treasurer's Report - RBAA - September 6, 2005

Submitted by Lee Butts

Growth in Supporting Members - We just closed the July 1st, 2004 to June 30st, 2005 term for giving and support to the Redcoat organizations. This year we grew to a new high of 179 "Supporting Members" (those donating \$25 or more to support the Redcoat programs).

Homecoming 2005 - For the first time, Homecoming 2005 Registration was handled through the Alumni Band Alumni Association web site. A total of **415 registrations** were submitted for Homecoming 2005, saving a mountain of paper and copies, and more than \$150 in postage for our alumni association. Using their Registration number, anyone can check when their check was deposited through online screens.

Game Ticket Status:

Players and Auxiliaries marching - 440

(trumpets - 81, trombones - 32, mellophones - 14, French horn - 12, percussion - 20, Alto Sax - 24, clarinets - 61, flutes/piccolos - 36, Majorettes - 10, Georgettes - 44, Flagline - 26, Drum Majors - 10)

"Player" tickets requested - 401 (400 available)

"Priority Wait List" - 7

"Family" ticket requested - 542 (400 available)

Note: With normal fallout, all Redcoats and Auxiliary (that have signed up to date) will be able to march. The issue comes with properly handling the "Family" ticket requests.

Event Ticket Status:

Adult tickets requested - 92

Child tickets requested - 19

Current Redcoat tickets requested - 2

Checks deposited - 194

Checks held to be returned - 2, Linda Postell, Kristin Ross

RBAA Homecoming 2005 - Bank Account

Balance forward from 2004	\$ 4,859.54
Majorette Nationals - support	- 1,000.00
Deposits	16,880.00
Donations to Arch Fund/Foundation	-155.00
Refunds (now coming to HC)	-264.00
Payment due for 400 "Family" tickets	-12,800.00
Encumbered for Event:	
Cake, decorations, bus, wrist bands,	-5,500.00
Board Member ribbons, signs, PA	

Projected Balance

\$2,020.54

FAQs from the Web:

- Did I get my "Family" Tickets for the day? **Posting Sept 9th**
- When will we know about the waiting list for family tickets? **Posting Sept 9th**
- Is the dress red & khaki again? **Yes**
- Does a six-month old baby need a ticket? **Yes**
- Is it open seating for the alumni section? **No**
- Save me from the "nose bleed" section! **We have no control of location.**
- Can my seats be near so-and-so? **Sorry, time frames too short.**

Event Questions

- What is the time and place for the event? **Controlled by TV. Details will be on the Web site.**
- Can we pay at the door for the event? **Yes**

Redcoat Reflector via Email - As a new web site feature, any Redcoat Alumni can opt to receive the Redcoat Reflector via email (saving paper and postage). To date, **69 people** have opted to receive information in this manner.

New Arch Funds/Accounts Created — This year we are announcing a new account name, through which Redcoat Alumni can continue to support your favorite programs. The exiting "Foundation" accounts (with names that include Roger, Phyllis, Steve Mahoney, etc.) are safe and will continue to be controlled as originally designated.

New tax-deductible donations to the Redcoats should be made out to the "**Redcoat Band Enrichment Fund**" and sent directly to Jeffrey Delk, in Athens, to be processed and documented as fully tax-deductible for you.

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Homecoming 2005 Celebration Event
Joan and Chris Clark, ad hoc committee

After a thorough search for a venue to accommodate anticipated number of participants for 2005 event (with restroom accessibility, weather considerations, proximity to rehearsal field and Sanford Stadium), it was determined that the only options available were to have a pre-game event at Leebern Hall (bandroom rehearsal hall) or continue with plans to have a post-game event at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education, pending the actual game start time. Since the start time of the game would not be known until 10 days or less prior to the event, it presented a measure of uncertainty beyond the bounds of adequate notice and comfort level in finalizing the event. The members of the Board and the Band Staff were polled by email, and the majority responded with the desire to hold the event in Leebern Hall, regardless of game time. There was one very strong objection to having the event at a location other than the Georgia Center, and a few responded with concerns about the general negative perceptions of the Homecoming receptions held in the bandroom prior to 2004.

The Board discussed the menu and type of event at the June 17 meeting and made the decision to have BBQ (general preference seemed to be Sonny's) at either event time. With the menu/venue questions addressed, it is the recommendation of the ad hoc committee that the 2005 Homecoming Celebration Event that:

- 1) The event be held in Leebern Hall regardless of game start time;
- 2) The food for the event be catered by Sonny's BBQ of Athens with the following menu (all you can eat basis) items/cost:
 - Chicken, Ribs and Sliced Pork
 - BBQ Beans
 - Cole Slaw
 - Tossed Salad or Potato Salad or Pasta Salad (we choose ONE)
 - Dinner Rolls w/ butter
 - Sweet / Unsweet Tea and Lemonade
 - CookieDessertSet ups to include:
 - Cups and ice
 - Choice of sauce
 - Paper products
 - Tablecloths
 - Eating and Serving Utensils
 - CondimentsThis menu and included items will be delivered and served by Sonny's staff for a period of two hours.

Cost for this meal/service - \$12.99 per person plus 7% tax (\$13.90)

We must let Sonny's know our final headcount/guarantee by 72 hours prior to event.

Other perceived needs for this event held at Leebern Hall:

- 1) Tables for serving and dining;
- 2) Admission media/tickets, wristbands?
- 3) Adequate trash receptacles;
- 4) Set-up/take-down of tables, chairs (can we enlist Kappa Kappa Psi?)
- 5) Table centerpieces;
- 6) Other room decor;
- 7) Music - suggested to have DJ again OR play Redcoat CDs over hall PA;
- 8) Videos — have monitor or projector with large screen?
- 9) Additional dessert? Available for additional \$1.00 per person.
- 10) Beverages other than tea/lemonade. Sonny's will provide soft drinks at \$1.00/can.
Alcohol non-issue before game, after game?
- 11) Transportation to/from Leebern from rehearsal field OR Sanford Stadium?

Other needs?



Proposed Redcoat Band
100-year ornament fundraiser
9-6-05 Board Mtg

4" Hand-blown Glass Handcrafted in Poland by European artisans
Lettering is all by hand Limited edition

Packaged in box, with color label,
UPS barcode

Order would arrive in time for Homecoming 2005 event

Ornament Cost = \$ 17 which includes shipping to US
Sell for \$ 35-40

Brass stands available for Cost of \$ 1-sell for \$3

Funded by L & L

Minimum order is 120 ornaments

Can we sell??

