

SJMB Board Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2009

Opening

Dave Brown, President, called the monthly meeting of the San Jose Metropolitan Band Board of Directors to order at 6:39 p.m. on Monday, November 16, 2009. The meeting was held at Valley Christian High School, San Jose, CA.

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| x Dave Brown, President | x Mark Bishop, MAL (Webmaster) |
| x Vern Chatfield, Treasurer | x Claire Boswell, MAL |
| x Tami Bois, Secretary | Steve Woloshin, MAL |
| x Greg Bergantz, Musical Director | x Becky Rambow, MAL |
| April Hixson-Goldsmith, Librarian | Lisa Miller, MAL |

Approval of Minutes

Mark pointed out that the spelling of McAfee Theater needs to be corrected in the October minutes. Tami will make this correction. In lieu of the correction, Vern moved that the October minutes be approved. Mark seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Checking account (one \$75.00 check has not cleared): \$1218.08. Savings account: \$7260.92. CD: \$3149.11. We have not yet received the check for the Morgan Hill Fourth of July Parade.

Old Business

1. Tami informed the group that there have been three \$40.00 donations that have been made online and one through the P.O. Box. Dave checked our online bank account at the meeting to be sure that they have been credited to our account and they have. The online deposits have been credited to our savings account.
2. Becky completed the grant application for the Almaden Rotary and hand-delivered it to Ed Lacina, who is a member of the SJMB and the Almaden Rotary.
3. The September minutes have not been posted to the website. As Claire filled in for Tami in September, Claire will follow up on this.

New Business

1. Musical Director's Report

- Greg reported that April, our Librarian, had three helpers who came to her home to help with the Christmas music. He also reported that she has pulled 1812 Overture and William Byrd Suite for sight reading. We may not get to them until after Christmas since there are only three more rehearsals until the December 7th concert. Also, we need to turn in music soon as the bins are full.
- In regard to the music advisory group that Greg is forming, three or four band members have responded and shown an interest. However, they don't have a venue for meetings yet.

- At this time, Greg is not sure whether we can do the proposed December 19th gig for Help One Child as we may not have enough percussion players.
- Claire reported that the Christmas in the Park gig is set for December 12th from 1:00-3:00. She is checking on parking passes for two vehicles.

2. President's Report

- The potluck is set for December 14th at the home of Mary Keenan. Tami presented April's concern that the potluck begins too early for some and her suggestion that dinner be served at 7:00 instead of 6:00. All agreed that it would be better to eat a bit later but still have folks arrive at 6:00 for appetizers, etc. if they can. Dave will check with Mary regarding changing the time for the meal.
- Dave informed the group of a possible gig on June 27, 2010. The Palo Alto Lyon's Club is having a Classic Car Show. We would play in a tent and it would pay \$100.00-\$200.00. He said that logistically, it sounds like a pleasant venue. It was agreed by general consent to poll the Band regarding interest at tonight's rehearsal.
- Since we are waiting to hear about requested grant money for a Spring Concert, Dave suggested we pursue a gig playing for the re-opening of Happy Hollow. He said he would contact them.
- In regard to pursuing future grants, Dave pointed out that we need to prepare a budget. Vern and Dave are currently working on this. Tami suggested that we pursue putting our bank accounts on Quicken in order to have easily accessible reports, etc. It was agreed by general consent that Dave will put our accounts online with Quicken. This service is free. Also, Becky will make a list of organizations who may be potentials for pursuing grant money. She will check the database of the California Cultural Data Project. She will also begin compiling items for grant bookkeeping.

3. Other New Business

- Tami raised the issue of the possibility of the Band purchasing an Eb clarinet. Greg feels that it would be a good idea as many pieces have parts for this instrument. And, since we have a strong clarinet

section, it would be no problem for one of our current players to play it. Tami moved that we allocate \$3000.00 to spend on an Eb clarinet, funding source to be determined. Becky seconded the motion and the motion carried. Lisa perviously stated that she has a contact that could find us a good instrument at a reasonable price. Tami will ask Lisa to check with her contact.

- Vern inquired about the possibility of getting rid of any unused instruments that the Band owns. After Greg listed our inventory of instruments, it was determined that all of our instruments are in use or potentially in use.

Closing

Vern moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Claire seconded the motion and the motion carried.