

Midland Concert Band Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, October 19, 2016

Peden Residence

Attendance:

Sue Bovid
Matthew Christianson
Patrick Heider
Mary Huss
Rachel Morr
Ellen Peden
Jim Schutz
Mara Simanskey
Joel Wiseman

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM by the Chair, Mary Huss.

Secretary Position:

Filling the role of secretary was discussed with Mary to decide on appointment.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

September 21, 2016 minutes were read by all present and no corrections were needed. Mara moved to approve, Rachel seconded, and the September 21, 2016 minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: (Sue)

The proposed budget was discussed and several adjustments were made to lines for revision. There are 15 unpaid dues members which will be contacted by section leaders at the next rehearsal. Sue will begin collecting money for CDs prior to the end of the concert rather than when they are distributed to ensure they are paid for even when not picked up.

Ellen moved and Jim seconded: Square to be set up and tied to the MCB check card account so credit cards can be used to pay for the Fall concert. Approved unanimously.

Rachel is to inquire about linking a PayPal account to the MCB check card account so donations can be solicited on the website.

Funding Tuba Christmas was approved at an ad hoc meeting of the Board of Directors during the previous rehearsal.

Director of Education's Report: (Ellen)

Discussed new program where scholarships would go towards full payment for a student to attend a summer stay-away camp. This would be open to grades 7-11 with students eligible to receive it once. Revised plan to include standard funds for music related expenses for high school students but include scholarships for camps for grades 7-8. The program will include

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need as a consideration and exclude an audition. Exact split of funding and further changes in the future will be evaluated depending on interest in the program

Rachel is working on getting the mentoring program going again and will contact directors. She plans to meet in person. The board suggested she set up a process to pay the private instructors to give sectionals at each school for a specified number of hours. The instructors would be required to schedule the time rather than relying on the busy directors to initiate. The upcoming solo ensemble auditions will be targeted as an opportunity to aide students.

Tuba Christmas:

The event is scheduled for December 17 at noon at the 1st United Methodist Church. The organization has asked the band to participate in the Christmas parade to sit and play on a ride as well as pass out candy and a general Christmas concert flyer listing local musical groups' dates for concerts.

Mary moved and Ellen seconded: Approval to spend \$100 on candy. Approved unanimously.

Director's Report: (Joel)

Joel has a vocalist lined up for the Halloween concert. Ellen moved and Mary seconded: Approval to pay vocalist. Approved unanimously.

Joel requested funds to pay for the 1st United Methodist Bell Choir to perform with the Midland Concert Band at the Christmas concert. Ellen moved and Mary seconded: Approval to pay the bell choir. Approved unanimously.

Santa has also been contacted and is slated to attend the Christmas concert.

Director of Hospitality's Report: (Jim)

Nothing to report.

Director of Printed Materials' Report: (Matthew)

The program was provided to review by the board. Band member names will be available for review at the next rehearsal. The board decided to fill extra space with mentions of other local musical groups' upcoming concerts as well as the Midland Center for the Arts Classical Music Tour.

Director of Marketing's Report: (Mara)

The radio script has been submitted. Flyers and ads have gone out.

Director of Special Projects' Report: (Rachel)

Tickets at Camps music are selling well. That is the only physical location we have put tickets out for sale. Additional tickets will be given out to band members in packets and recorded to monitor sales. Types of tickets will be marked on the ticket. Square will be available to pay for tickets.

Director of Advertising's Report: (Patrick)

Ads are in place with five businesses pending payment.

Vassar Library:

The Band was contacted by Vassar library to play there in April. The board discussed this option and decided it was not a good fit for the current band schedule. The opportunity will be forwarded to the Midland Brass Band.

Email list:

Ellen moved and Mary seconded: A list of band member emails will be provided to the board for contacting members for the board's business. Approved unanimously.

Mary moved and Mara seconded to adjourn. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.