# Midland Concert Band Board of Directors Meeting December 3, 2023

**Members present:** Sue Bovid, Sue Gessford, Brittany Perry, Dave Selley, Kerry Smith, Beth Thomas, Jacob Wisenbach

Meeting called to order: 1:09 pm, by Dave Selley

### Review and approve minutes from the last meeting (November 12, 2023)

Dave moved to approve the minutes with no corrections. Sue G. seconded, and the motion carried.

### Treasurer's Report (Sue B./Beth)

We needed to issue a check for \$588.40 for MCFTA since ticket revenue for the fall concert did not cover the Center's tech service costs.

Square fees are variable, so we often cannot tell how much goes to dues or to fees. Brittany will check into whether we can get detailed information on that. If reports can be automatically sent to the Treasurer email account that would be helpful.

The Community Foundation funds have been sent, and the account is set up.

Sue G. moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Brittany seconded, and the motion carried.

#### Jazz Band Conductor's Report (Jacob)

Jazz Band is rehearsing well and has full instrumentation. He requested that the Facebook event for the holiday concert be edited to include the Jazz Band. The proposed library concert date is March 2, 2024, and the Saginaw Art Museum event will be near the end of May or early June.

#### **Education Report (Sue G.)**

High school scholarship applications are out. The Herter Camp cost is up to \$750; however, they also have a tiered cost system with \$600 and \$650 levels but no formal process to decide who pays what. We need clarification of which level we should aim for, which would affect how much grant money we request and/or how many scholarships we can give.

May 2 is the last MCB rehearsal, and a concert night for Dow High bands. This could cause logistical problems with rehearsal space and use of percussion equipment. We need to check into this to see if we need an alternate rehearsal plan.

### **Publicity Report (Brittany)**

Almost everything is ready for the holiday concert; programs will be printed once the roster is confirmed. Scholarship information is posted.

## Roundtable/other topics

Kerry: To follow the bylaws, we may need to make a formal appointment for Beth to take over as Treasurer and/or note it in the minutes to document the change. The consensus was that when Sue B. steps down at the January meeting, we should vote to appoint Beth.

Sue B.: Confirmed that lights and poinsettias are needed for stage decorations. She will check with Home Depot to see if they might donate poinsettias like they have in the past. She will be working with Beth on taxes and then transfer the Treasurer responsibilities to her in January.

Sue G.: none

Brittany: none

Beth: Discussed the MCTV Honors Night donation brought up at the last meeting. The suggestion was made to write a check when we get a formal request. We can also consider a donation to MCTV's general fund in appreciation of their concert support.

Dave moved to donate \$250 for the event. Sue G. seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Next meeting: Sunday, January 21, 2024, 1:00 pm

Meeting adjourned: 1:49 pm, Beth moved to adjourn, and Brittany seconded.

Submitted by Kerry Smith, Secretary