

**Midland Concert Band
Board of Directors Meeting
March 16, 2025**

Members present: Sue Gessford, Dave Selley, Kerry Smith, Beth Thomas, Joel Wiseman

Meeting called to order: 1:00 pm, by Dave Selley

Review and approve minutes from the last meeting (February 22, 2025)

There are several typos, but they do not affect the content. Dave moved to approve the minutes with corrections. Beth seconded, and the motion carried.

Conductor's Report (Joel)

Jazz band questions were addressed – Jacob just needs to let us know what chairs/stands/mics he needs, and we can request that from MCFTA. They can warm up before the MCB on the concert day. He can get the members' names in the program if he gets us a list ASAP. Joel is doing interviews on Delta College Public radio and WNEM to publicize the next concert. The May concert is planned – music for the 7th graders is going out to schools and has been well received by conductors.

Jazz Band Report (Jacob, by email)

Jacob reported that he has the script for the March 23rd concert, so he knows the pacing. He raised questions about set-up and equipment that will need to be addressed later. The Jazz Band will be performing April 19th at MI Element, May 2nd at the GADML auditorium, and June 3rd at the Saginaw art museum. Logistics will be discussed soon.

Treasurer's Report (Beth)

Scholarship amounts in the budget were based on last year's contributions, but some amounts have changed so we may not have exactly what was budgeted. Some have been moved to the Midland Area Community Foundation and the details about Midland Concert Band involvement are not made clear to applicants. We need to have a conversation with them to clarify those specifics moving forward.

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

Education Report (Sue)

We are starting to get names of 7th graders for the May concert. State Solo & Ensemble was this weekend so other school conductors should be getting names to us soon. Angela Kalcec has been working with Sue to potentially take the Education Director position. There may be others interested as well so there is a possibility of an actual election this year.

Concert Prep (All)

We have several co-sponsors for the March concert – funds and program information to come.

Roundtable/other topics

Dave: Joel and Dave are scheduled to go to WNEM for an interview to publicize the concert, but more details are needed.

Sue: none

Beth: none

Kerry: none

Next meeting: April 27 at 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned: 1:33 pm, Dave moved, Beth seconded.

Submitted by Kerry Smith, Secretary