

**Midland Concert Band
Board of Directors Meeting
November 24, 2024**

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

Meeting called to order: 1:04 pm, by Dave Selley

Review and approve minutes from the last meeting (October 27, 2024)

Beth moved to approve the minutes with no corrections. Brittany seconded and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report (Beth)

Beth reported that an error in the spreadsheet has been corrected. The MCFTA bill from the fall concert has been paid. The concert sponsorship helped close the gap between ticket income and the auditorium cost. Funds for two of the named scholarships have been received.

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

Conductors' Reports

Joel: Catherine McMichael will play keyboard parts for the holiday concert and hopefully the winter concert as well. We have funds available for her since we do not have Santa for the holiday concert. He (Joel, not Santa) is working with Center Stage Chorale to confirm their stand-alone selections for the concert as soon as possible.

Jacob: Suggested that the jazz band could play for the spring concert if that would help with ticket sales. Joel commented that the spring concert is already focused on students with scholarship winners and outstanding 7th graders, but it could work with some new programming ideas.

Education Report (Sue)

The scholarship application for high school students is ready for the website. She is still working with Herter's on the application process for Camp Timbers.

Publicity Report (Brittany)

Posters and Facebook publicity for the next concert are ready. She is aware that the website has issues and outdated information keeps showing up, and she will keep trying to get it fixed. If someone can get her a photo of the Northeast band that played and recorded Caribbean Christmas 50 years ago, she will add it to online publicity for the holiday concert.

Roundtable/other topics

Beth: none

Jacob: Listed Jazz Band concert dates as an FYI: 3/23 with MCB, 4/19, 5/2 at the library, 5/4 with MCB, and 6/3

Kerry: none

Sue: none

Joel: none

Brittany: none

Dave: Has collected contact information for local assisted living facilities and will start offering sponsorship and ticket deals.

Next meeting: No meeting in December; next meeting TBD in January

Meeting adjourned: 1:45pm, Sue moved, Beth seconded.

Submitted by Kerry Smith, Secretary