Midland Concert Band Board of Directors Meeting June 22, 2023

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

Meeting called to order: 5:02 pm, by Dave Selley

Review and approve minutes from the last meeting (May 11, 2023)

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

Treasurer's Report (Sue B.)

Updated income statement and account details were discussed. MCFTA funds from the May concert are still outstanding. May concert expenses came close to budgeted amount. June deposits include the Dow Family Foundation Grant and funds for the Rowe/Pederson Scholarships from the Midland Area Community Foundation.

The traditional letter to contributors will go out next fall. We need wording about the upcoming season from Dave and/or Joel, and we need to include an appeal to potential concert sponsors.

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

Conductor's Report (Joel)

A collaboration with Genesee Wind Symphony is being planned for next season. Tentatively they will join MCB for the fall concert and MCB will join them for their winter concert. Discussion of specific pieces with the GWS conductor is ongoing. He will put together information for members to introduce the idea. He is also working on the idea of a jazz band component for the holiday concert.

Education Report (Sue G.)

A draft of a guest student contract form was distributed for discussion. The goal would be to make sure expectations are clear and school music directors know that students are participating with MCB. Addressing this up front can avoid problems later.

MACF Participation (Sue B.)

Chemical City Band and MCO have accounts through MACF and MCB could consider doing that as well. The MACF could offer a long-term option for collecting donations and we might get a better return than current savings rates. Funds held at the foundation could be withdrawn if needed. Involvement with MACF would also make MCB eligible to participate in Give Local Midland. The MACF has been contacted to set up a meeting with Raquel Brown, Director of Development, to get more information. This meeting will be scheduled over the summer. If anyone wants to be involved, please let Dave know.

Member Evaluations Update (Dave)

Only twelve evaluations were turned in, so it is difficult to draw any broad conclusions or identify many action items. Comments were made about the need to update the website, and that was already under way but delayed by the transition between web managers.

Roundtable/other topics

Dave: None

Sue B: We need to remember to plan the picnic and publicize it to members.

Kerry: none

Next meeting: tentatively Sunday August 20 (confirmation of date and meeting time TBD)

Meeting adjourned: 5:50 pm. Dave moved to adjourn, and Sue B. seconded.

Submitted by Kerry Smith, Secretary